

# April 18, 2019 Meeting of the Coalition of Local Health Officials

#### **Members Present:**

- ☑ Baker Nancy Staten
- ☑ Benton Charlie Fautin
- ☐ Clackamas Philip Mason Joyner
- ☐ Clatsop Mike McNickel
- ☐ Columbia Mike Paul
- ☐ Coos Florence Poutal-Stevens
- ☑ Crook Muriel DeLaVergne-
- Brown
- ☐ Curry Ben Cannon
- ☐ Deschutes Hillary Saraceno
- ☑ Douglas Bob Dannenhoffer
- ☑ Grant Jessica Winegar
- ☑ Harney Jolene Cawlfield

- ☐ Hood River Trish Elliot
- ☑ Jackson Jackson Baures
- ☑ Jefferson Mike Baker
- ☑ Josephine Audrey Tiberio
- ☑ Klamath Jennifer Little
- ☐ Lake Judy Clarke
- ☐ Lane Jocelyn Warren
- ☑ Lincoln Rebecca Austen
- ☐ Linn Glenna Hughes
- ☐ Malheur Sarah Poe
- ☑ Marion Katrina Rothenberger
- ☑ Morrow Sheree Smith
- ☑ Multco Rachael Banks

- ☑ North Central PHD Teri Thalhofer
- ☑ Polk Kristty Polanco
- ☐ Tillamook Marlene Putman
- ☑ Umatilla Joe Fiumara
- ☑ Union Carrie Brogoitti
- ☐ Washington Tricia Mortell
- ☐ Wheeler Karen Woods
- ☐ Yamhill Lindsey Manfrin
- ☐ HO Caucus Pat Luedtke
- ☑ CLEHS Caucus Joe Fiumara
- ☐ AOPHNS vacant

Public Health Division: Danna Drum, Kati Moseley

Coalition of Local Health Officials: Morgan Cowling, Caitlin Hill, Judy Bankman

#### **Minutes**

Muriel DeLavergne Brown made a motion to approve, Joe Fiumara seconded.



### **Newsletter Update**

Caitlin Hill reminded the CLHO Board that CLHO sends out a monthly newsletter with County Spotlights and encouraged them to ensure they and there staff are signed up. Caitlin will send a link to sign up out to administrators so they can share with staff.

### **Budget Update**

Morgan Cowling updated the Board on this year's budget. The year ends in two months. Dawn Emerick is still treasurer and on Executive Committee. Each year CLHO is over budget and budgets more than dues and grants. CLHO needs a long-term vision for budgeting and fundraising.

# 2019-20 Dues & Budget Presentation

CLHO has a CPA firm that files taxes and a bookkeeper supports Morgan in the month-to-month business. Any dues that change are a result of population changes in the community. CLHO should have a budget committee to review the budget. The significant changes are in web development and Public Health Modernization Roadmap build out since the RWJF grant is over and these projects have been completed. There is a change in Executive Director salary to reflect annual increases. The Program Manager is currently at 60% of FTE in a short-term position. The salary has decreased because Morgan is assuming they will hire someone at a lower salary. Member travel was budgeted for zero. Have supported local officials to attend the annual CLHO retreat in the past. There is also an OPHA conference sponsorships reduction proposed.

There was feedback that there is heartburn about OPHA conference sponsorship reduction and a suggestion to have budget committee to take a deeper dive on the budget. Teri Thalhofer and Muriel DeLavergne Brown volunteered to be part of the budget committee.

### **CLHO Strategic Planning Proposal**

During the November meeting in Eugene there was interest in strategically thinking about CLHO.



Muriel DeLavergne Brown, Dawn Emerick, and Pat Luedtke volunteered to brainstorm ideas about where CLHO should be in 3-5 years. Ideas included:

- Continue to support public health workforce
- Become a Population Health Center for Excellence
- Support local health officials more actively in engaging with their local CCOs (research and track engagement levels)
- Data/ Epidemiology support for local health officials
- Advocate for better aligned data systems to engage with health partners
- Set up CLHO as a fundraiser / fiscal agent for grants
- Develop CLHO capacity (hire / contract) for primary care/ population health alignment concepts for greater health outcomes

#### The Board's feedback included possibly looking at:

- Counties that are delegating their public health back to the state.
- Local legislator said the state has an endless revenue stream and cities have revenue, but counties are limited to fund public health. Because of funding cuts counties are looking at statutory requirements instead of modernization and innovation.
- Continuing to educate commissioners on value of public health.
- Discuss revenue options for public health and counties.
- Commissioners are devastated at having to make budget decisions. They understand the value of public health but have to make really hard decisions about things like law enforcement vs public health. Option for bare minimum of delegating back to state exists for public health, not law enforcement.
- Looking at information and media in a more strategic and systematic fashion.
- Making CLHO a more visible mouthpiece to the public.
- Using SACCHO voice for supporting public health.

CLHO retreat will be September 11 and 12.



# **OSBN Standing Orders Data Collection Update**

There are four more stakeholder meetings that will be happening. One of them is today. New agenda format for the meeting. Small groups of stakeholders will have the opportunity to talk about community health. Hospital and nursing partners aren't aware that this is going on. Connected with Providence system and they were concerned as well. No one has ability to expand the nurse practice act to diagnosing or prescribing. Trying to provide clarity on grey areas. Don't know what they are going to recommend so need to be careful in the language.

Judy doing interviews with LPHAs to learn about what is happening on the ground. There was feedback from the board that a survey would be better.

# **Leadership Program Update**

Judy Bankman is facilitating a Leadership Development webinar on Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10am on innovation where Local Public Health leaders will share innovative practices in local public health and health equity around the state.

# 2019 Legislative Session Update

The bill summary on the website is straight from billtracker. During the last two weeks there has been a lot of movement on raising tobacco tax. Representative Nathanson allowed panels of opponents and proponents. Invited testimony about what would happen if we raised the price on tobacco in Oregon. At the last CLHO meeting we discussed distribution which was proposed as 90% for OHP and 10% for PHM, including tobacco prevention. The tobacco tax is no longer going to be for modernization.

PHD has been working hard on plan for modernization to give legislators ideas on where investment would fall. Governors office has given PHD permission to advocate for 35 million.

Morgan requested CLHO be aligned with PHD's request for 35 million.



Teri Thalhofer motioned to approve, Muriel DeLavergne Brown seconded. Board approved.

Action oriented plan into the legislature about the request. Make sure that the legislature is continuing to hear about this as a budget priority. PHD was requested to come back to Ways and Means to present for phase 2.

HB 2600 –Inspections in long term care facilities. Requested that kitchen inspections were included. Have had a lot of conversations about how diseases spread. Share that food prep is important for preventing the spread of diseases. Healthcare associations have concern about being regulated by multiple agencies. Worked out to include an annual kitchen inspection by a trained DHS employee. Tried to get language to have LPH contracted with. Was not able to get that wording into the bill. Now there will be an annual kitchen inspection in LTCF. Bill moved to Ways and Means committee where it now sits.

Universal Home Visiting – SB 526 passed out of senate healthcare committee earlier this session. Puts the program into state law. Policy Option Package for 4 million in general fund for the first phase of Medicaid UHV. Both are in the ways and means committee. Teri Thalhofer shared that there has been a language change to Universally offered home visiting since it has been controversial.