



COALITION OF LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIALS

January 21, 2021
Meeting of the Coalition of Local Health Officials
Meeting Began: 11:12am

Executive Members:

Present: Jocelyn Warren CLHO Chair, Lane; Carrie Brogoitti, Vice-Chair, Center for Human Development Union; Katrina Rothenberger, Secretary/Treasurer, Marion; Joseph Fiumara, Coalition of Local Environmental Health Specialists, Umatilla; Lindsey Manfrin, Public Health Administrators of Oregon, Yamhill;

Absent: Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown, Crook, CLHO Legislative Committee Co-Chair; Dr. Pat Luedtke, Health Officer's Rep

Members Present (x if present)

X	Baker - Nancy Staten		Hood River - Trish Elliot	X	Multnomah - Jessica Guernsey
X	Benton - April Holland		Jackson - Jackson Baures	X	North Central PHD - Shellie Campbell
	Clackamas - Philip Mason-Joyner	X	Jefferson - Mike Baker	X	Polk - Jacqui Umstead
	Clatsop - Mike McNickle	X	Josephine - Audrey Tiberio		Tillamook - Marlene Putnam
	Columbia - Mike Paul	X	Klamath - Jennifer Little	X	Umatilla - Joseph Fiumara
X	Coos - Anthony Arton	X	Lake - Judy Clarke	X	Union - Carrie Brogoitti
x	Crook - Katie Plumb	X	Lane - Jocelyn Warren	X	Washington - Tricia Mortell
x	Curry - Sheree Ward		Lincoln - Rebecca Austen		Wheeler - Karen Woods
x	Deschutes - Nahad Sadr-Azodi		Linn - Shane Sanderson	X	Yamhill - Lindsey Manfrin
X	Douglas - Bob Dannenhoffer	X	Malheur - Sarah Poe		HO Caucus - Pat Luedtke
	Grant - Jessica Winegar	X	Marion - Katrina Rothenberger		CLEHS Caucus - Joseph Fiumara
X	Harney - Nic Calvin	x	Morrow - Nazario Rivera		AOPHNS - Vacant
				X	PHAO - Lindsey Manfrin

Public Health Division: Sara Beaudrault

Coalition of Local Health Officials: Morgan Cowling, Executive Director; Laura Daily, Program Manager

Guests: None



Agenda Items

Motion: Mike Baker moved to approve the December 2020 meeting minutes. Sarah Poe seconded. Unanimous vote, motion approved.

Appointment: Sierra Prior (Marion) has been appointed to the CLHO Legislative Committee.

Public Health Advisory Board - Large County Representative: Jocelyn Warren is recommended as the Large County Representative. George Conway was the previous recommendation but could not meet the time commitments.

Motion: Tricia Mortell made a motion to endorse Jocelyn Warren as the Large/Urban County representative to the Public Health Advisory Board. Katrina Rothenberger seconded. Unanimous vote, motion passed.

Legislative Session Updates: Morgan Cowling provided an update on the start of the legislative session. 1805 bills were pre-session filed, and Morgan has completed a preliminary review and sorted these by priority. CLHO primarily works with the Senate Health Care Committee (Senator Patterson, Marion, is the Chair and has reached out to Morgan for meetings already), the House Health Care Committee (Rep. Prusak is the Chair), and the Ways and Means Committee. At a Capitol Club meeting, the Senate President and House Speaker indicated that the session will be starting out slow to adapt to the new format. Morgan reiterated that there may be some more opportunities to participate because of the virtual set up and that CLHO staff are working on this.

OHA will be going first this year in presenting their budget to the Ways and Means Human Services Subcommittee. In the past, the Ways and Means Committee has done a road tour to hear priorities across the state, but CLHO does not know at this time if this going to happen. Testifying on bills may be a larger part of this session than in past sessions because CLHO will not have a physical presence in the Capitol which means reduced facetime.

CLHO worked with AFSCME and AOC to hold a town hall on Public Health Modernization on January 7th. It was moderated by Commissioner Hall (Lincoln) and Commissioner Minty Morris (Klamath), and the speakers were largely from community partners speaking about their partnerships with public health and how necessary they are. This recording is up on the CLHO website.



Legislative Committee Recommendations: Morgan reminded everyone that counties are allowed to have two representatives on this committee for policy recommendations.

Morgan presented the bills she reviewed and that the Legislative Committee discussed. **Priority 1 are CLHO's main focus. For 2021, these are Public Health Modernization, Universally-offered Home Visiting, and Tobacco Retail Licensure.** Priority 2 are issues that are important to public health that we may take a position on, and Priority 3 are more coalition-based.

OPHA is working on a bill (HB 2337) to declare racism a public health crisis that includes language on forming regional health equity coalitions and mobile health units with LPHAs staffing/managing these. Morgan is trying to meet with OPHA to talk about not having LPHAs operate these mobile clinic (no position on this bill yet). Jocelyn discussed that the health equity coalitions could be a discussion at a later date for prioritization. Morgan stated that this had been on our list of Priority 1 issues, but it was designated as Priority 3 for now.

CLHO Legislative Committee recommended supporting both TRL bills (HB 2071 and SB 587). During this session, the Oregon Legislature might try to limit parallel bills like this. The CLHO Legislative Committee also recommended support of the bills banning the online sale of inhalant delivery systems (HB 2261 and HB 2148).

Katrina Rothenberger offered time for questions. She also clarified that the Legislative Committee did not take a position on the bill removing non-medical exemptions for vaccines at this time due to capacity and to not undermine the effort to have people voluntarily take the COVID vaccine. Board members stated they have received community input on this bill and that many are seeing it as a way to require the COVID vaccine so understand not taking a position right now.

Morgan discussed some of the meetings with partners (Oregon Latino Health Coalition and the American Heart Association) to support their priorities. This is all ongoing discussion at this time.

Motion: Recommendation presented to approve the Legislative Committee's recommendations. Sarah Poe seconded. Unanimous vote, motion passed.



Non-agenda item – Questions for specific follow-up after the meeting:

- Jennifer Little asked if other counties have completed the attestation letter required to move beyond Phase 1A. Klamath County's letter is very long, and she would like to see how other counties are doing it.
- Nahad Sadr-Azodi stated that Deschutes is drafting policy on public health workers vaccination. He asked if other counties are drafting this type of work as it seems to be decentralized to the counties. Jocelyn Warren said that Lane's FQHC is drafting something and that she can find that out. Morgan Cowling (CLHO) reminded that these materials can be sent to CLHO for posting in the CLHO Library.
- Jacqui Umstead asked if the material from Dr. Cieslak on ACDP would be circulated. Morgan stated that this is on the CLHO website and provided the link. Jacqui also asked if OHA would be prioritizing within the educators' group in the case that there are not enough vaccines to do all educators at once. No one had an answer to this, but it will be discussed at tomorrow's health administrator call.

Meeting adjourned at 11:53am.