

July 16, 2020 Oregon Coalition of Local Health Officials

Executive Members <u>Present:</u> Jocelyn Warren CLHO Chair, Lane; Katrina Rothenberger, Secretary/Treasurer, Marion; Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown, Crook, CLHO Legislative Committee Co-Chair; Lindsey Manfrin, Public Health Administrators of Oregon, Yamhill

<u>Absent:</u> Carrie Brogoitti, Vice-Chair, Center for Human Development Union; Charlie Fautin, Benton, CLHO Legislative Committee Co-Chair; Dr. Pat Luedtke, Health Officer's Rep; Joseph Fiumara, Coalition of Local Environmental Health Specialists, Umatilla

Members Present:

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Public Health Division: Danna Drum, Akiko Saito, Richard Lehman **Coalition of Local Health Officials:** Morgan Cowling, Sierra Prior

Guests: Andy Smith



Agenda Review: Danna Drum was added to the agenda to address the cancelation of the Conference of Local Health Officials meeting preceding the Coalition's meeting.

Danna Drum

The Conference of Local Health Officials was canceled due to violent and racist meeting disruptions. Danna Drum shared that OHA will put out a statement later today, and thanked those who shared information about what they saw, as OHA was unable to see what was happening.

Danna Drum, Morgan Cowling, and Jocelyn Warren quickly conferred and the meeting will be rescheduled (with a new public meeting notice) for the same time next week at the same time. OHA Leadership is doing everything they can to address this and will be doing an investigation. Danna Drum asked if there are questions.

Shane Sanderson made a comment that Zoom is an insecure platform. Danna Drum responded that OHA is moving to a Zoom Government platform with more security. OHA-PHD is discontinuing use of Zoom meetings unless they are on the Gov account. Morgan Cowling said that the Coalition is a private non-profit and not a public meeting and so the organization can take additional steps with Zoom to assure privacy. Danna Drum said that the Conference of Local Health Officials is subject to public meeting law, which prevents OHA from sending out an alternative link without advanced public meeting notice. The Public Health Advisory Board meeting was also canceled for the same reason.

July 2nd Minutes

Motion: Bob Dannenhoffer motioned to approve July 2nd Coalition Minutes. Jackson Baures seconded. No discussion. No objections. Board approved.

Legislative Committee Appointments

There were no appointments.

Morgan Cowling reminded everyone that board members could request to have themselves or their staff appointed to the Legislative Committee. Jocelyn Warren asked if there are any county sizes that are not well represented on the committee. Morgan Cowling said that medium and large counties are more represented, but there are three small county representatives.



Jocelyn Warren said to reach out to Morgan Cowling or Sierra Prior if there are more questions.

Critical Care Resource Allocation Model Update

Richard Lehman said the CLHO Board is likely familiar with the Oregon Crisis Care Guidance. Resources for the COVID-19 response are experiencing shortages that will likely continue for a while. Some board members were involved in the review of the guidance in 2014 when it was

first published. The guidance has proven useful in the pandemic. It's possible that need may outstrip resources available. There is a multi-system health care group, mostly in the Metro area but also including other areas, and they are reviewing a module for implementing the guidance. They are reviewing how to use the guidance to save as many lives as possible. It's important that this works for all Oregonians, so the group is working on making sure it is done equitably and does not discriminate against minority or disabled populations. OHA recognizes that this needs to be shared for broader input. OHA asked if CLHO would consider supporting this effort as a cosponsor. The request is to support sharing the model to gather input.

Jolene Cawlfield said Harney County discussed this in their incident management team at the hospital, and medical providers were opposed to discussing the crisis care guidance. Richard Lehman acknowledged this is a difficult conversation and offered his time to discuss the guidance. Akiko Saito shared that many rural hospitals have added the Crisis Care Guidance to their emergency operations plans, and OHA can share more information about best practices.

George Conway asked for clarification if the guidance is up for formal review, or just for review within the COVID-19 context. Richard Lehman said the latter. A full review would consist of a Crisis Care Summit. This is looking at the specifics of how to operationalize the guidance in COVID-19. George Conway requested a link to the guidance. Sierra Prior said CLHO has the guidance available and that she would share it with the board later in the day.

Richard Lehman anticipates there will be a press release about this work. The initial ask is that after the OHA Equity Committee completes their review, the announcement will be shared and then there can be more discussion about who else will be interested in this. Morgan Cowling asked if Richard Lehman should present any changes after the Equity Committee review at the August CLHO meeting and then discuss next steps. Richard Lehman agreed.

AOC "Turnkey Partnership"



Andy Smith, AOC, presented a powerpoint (slides available in CLHO Meeting materials). The Turnkey Partnership has been going for about two months with AOC, ORLA (Oregon Restaurant & Lodging Association), and LOC (League of Oregon Cities) working on a project for hotels/motels as a resource to shelter vulnerable populations during the COVID-19 pandemic. This is also connected to FEMA funding for operating and leasing hotels/motels for this work. Other partners include OHCS, OEM, OHA, Governor's Office, BOLI, and OCF. The partnership is

working to provide assistance to cities and counties in applying for FEMA funding through Region X. Few Oregon cities and counties have applied. AOC has observed that challenges include: insurance and liability issues; discrimination; operational logistics (laundry and cleaning); security; and funding. AOC has been working with counties to troubleshoot and address anxiety around lease agreements with counties. Andy Smith welcomed questions.

Jocelyn Warren said that Lane County has been working on this topic since March. Lane County has the FEMA components in place, but they haven't been able to get an agreement with hotels outside of leasing an entire hotel. Otherwise Lane County has not been successful in identifying a block of rooms.

Trish Elliott shared that Hood River was able to secure hotel/motel rooms while tourism was shutdown, but since then hotels are at capacity and the county is having to look at doing long-term rentals. It has been challenging to secure alternate housing.

Jocelyn Warren asked for clarification about what service the Turnkey Partnership is providing. Andy Smith said ORLA has been engaging with their members. It has been getting more difficult. Andy Smith said that he can follow-up to have a conversation specific to a community to work on brainstorming solutions and bringing in ORLA.

Bob Dannenhoffer said that hotels have no right to know the health status of an individual. Andy Smith said that BOLI is working on this issue but there's no updated enforcement information as of yet.

Morgan Cowling asked for more information about how the partnership is assisting counties. Andy Smith said one example is negotiating rates, developing sample lease agreements, navigating dynamics of funding available, and technical assistance for cleaning.

RAC Comments: Universally Offered Home Visiting



Sierra Prior provided an update on the proposed Oregon Administrative Rules for the Universally Offered Home Visiting program (UoHV). The RAC was paused due to COVID, but the final proposed rules are now available and the public hearing and deadline to submit comment are on July 20th, and 21st respectively. Sierra Prior drafted a public comment on behalf of CLHO considering feedback she heard from early adopters throughout the RAC process. She reviewed the four recommendations (the full draft is available in CLHO Meeting materials). Sierra

Prior requested a motion to approve the public comment after which she will submit the comment to the RAC.

Motion: Katrina Rothenberger motioned to approve the CLHO public comment on the proposed UoHV OARs, Jennifer Little seconded. No discussion. No objections, Board approved.

CLHO Website Refresh

Morgan Cowling reminded the board that the recently approved CLHO budget included funds to supporting moving from a maintenance contract for the CLHO website to a contract for refreshing the website. Sierra Prior gave an overview of how she has gathered feedback for how to optimize the website and be responsive to the board's needs. Sierra Prior asked for feedback and none was offered. Morgan Cowling and Sierra Prior concluded by saying that CLHO Staff would return to the board to ask for additional guidance as the website refresh project moves forward.

Health Equity Workshop "Save the Date"

Morgan Cowling reviewed the decision to reschedule the Health Equity Workshop to the fall. This is an opportunity to refocus on our objectives for working together on health equity. Morgan Cowling and Sierra Prior had a conversation with HIP last week and asked whether the development work is needed or if we want to restructure the workshop.

Morgan Cowling asked for confirmation of objectives and workshop dates. There are two dates as the workshop will be moved to virtual. We will be maintaining the initial goal of keeping this limited to administrators/directors and a supervisor from each LPHA. In April we asked for two volunteers to participate in agenda setting. Tricia Mortell and Kristty Polanco had volunteered, but we will need a replacement for Kristty Polanco as she is leaving her position with Polk County. Sara Hartstein asked if non-board member public health staff could help. Morgan Cowling said we are looking for administrators. The commitment to volunteer entails attending two meetings between now and September.



Volunteers: Muriel DeLaVergne Brown and Jennifer Little volunteered. Tricia Mortell is still available to continue as well.

CLHO Legislative Committee Recommendation: 2021 Priority Issue Buckets

Katrina Rothenberger asked for a motion to support the three policy priorities the Legislative Committee recommended to the CLHO Board. Several months ago a survey went out to CLHO

board members, and there were 13 responses around the state ranking top policy priority issues.

The top issue was Public Health Modernization. The next two selected based on their support are statewide Tobacco Retail License and Universally Offered Home Visiting.

Morgan Cowling said the committee was also waiting to see what OHA came out with for Policy Option Packages (POPs), but the committee proceeded in choosing priorities as the information was not available yet. Supporting these policy priorities doesn't restrict CLHO from supporting other legislation, but these would be our top focus.

Morgan Cowling said the next step after board approval would be for the Legislative Committee to work on refining specific policy and budget asks. Katrina Rothenberger said the Legislative Committee would further discuss the priorities in the August meeting.

Motion: Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown moved to approve the three policy priorities recommended by the Legislative Committee. Jolene Cawlfield seconded. No discussion. No objections. Board approved.

Reminder:

Morgan Cowling reminded board members that they should have received a couple calendar invites to attend a meeting with the Governor's Office to review updated school reopening guidance in advance of the release. These meetings are intended to be small group discussions for LPHA administrators/directors or a proxy of their choosing.

Adjourn