



## Coalition of Local Health Officials staff activities for FY 2021-22:

### Legislative and Policy Advocacy:

- June 2021: Advocated for and saw the largest investment yet into Public Health Modernization during the 2021 Legislative Session
- June 2021: Advocated for and saw the passage of SB 587 requiring statewide Tobacco Retail License.
- September 2021: Sat on Department of Revenue's Rules Advisory Committee for SB 587 as a representative for CLHO
- November 2021: Continued advocacy for local public health to receive tobacco prevention funds from BM 108
- December 2021: Reviewed and submitted feedback on the 1115 Medicaid Waiver Application.
- December 2021 - March 2022: Completed 20 legislator meetings and built a 26-member coalition for the 2022 funding request
- February 2022: Tracked bills, organized testimony, and gave testimony throughout the 2022 Legislative Session.
- March 2022: Assisted with the passage of SB 1554 (COVID After Action Report)
- May 2022: Brought on an MPH intern to assist with planning and research for CLHO's 2023 policy platform.
- Ongoing: Convene the CLHO Legislative Committee's monthly meetings to review policy, review support requests from partner, and identify areas of interest for CLHO.
- Ongoing: Meet with partners and advocacy organizations and participate in coalitions (the Children's Agenda, Early Childhood Coalition, Healthy Kids Learn Better, Partners for Tobacco Prevention, Allies for a Healthier Oregon, etc.)
- Ongoing: Attend ongoing state/national meetings and workgroups to maintain awareness on important issues (Oregon PHAB and subcommittees, CBO-LPHA Workgroup, legislature-appointed committees/workgroups, NACCHO, 21C, etc.)

### Communications and LPHA Support:

- June 2021: Transitioned the COVID Daily Brief to the CLHO Weekly Brief to give members CLHO-related announcements and to circulate training opportunities and resources.
- November 2021: Held Public Health Modernization planning sessions for LPHAs of similar size.
- December 2021 - March 2022: Organized two discussions around health equity goals between LPHAs and OHA and organized a discussion around funding decisions and rebuilding trust.
- April 2022: Coordinated the state-level release of the 2021 County Health Rankings and Roadmap data.





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- April 2022: Issued a press release for the Workforce Report that resulted in news coverage.
- Ongoing: Maintained/continued updating CLHO's website
- Ongoing: Continued CLHO's monthly newsletter
- Ongoing: Continued support of the Conference of Local Health Officials committees.
- Ongoing: Continued engagement with regional and national organizations (NWCPHP, NACCHO, 21C, and CHRR)

## **Workforce Development Support:**

- May 2021-April 2022: Completed interviews with 30 out of 32 health departments and completed the first *Oregon's Local Public Health Workforce Report*. Convened a workgroup of CLHO members to begin developing a Workforce Development Strategic Plan and conducted partner outreach to engage on implementation of recommendations.
- July 2021 - January 2022: Assisted the NWCPHP with the Public Health Workforce Interest and Needs Survey (PH WINS)
- February 2022: Joined OHSU-PSU's Public Health Workforce Coalition
- March 2022: Worked with a grant writer to submit an application for HRSA-22-117 to build up the rural public health workforce through community health workers and community paramedics. Conducted 56 meetings with potential partners in 6 weeks.
- Ongoing: Sends out training opportunities and resources for local health departments in the Weekly Brief and the Monthly Newsletter

## **CLHO Organizational Accomplishments:**

- September 2021: Pivoted from our postponed in-person retreat to a mini virtual retreat - well-received by members and requested to continue every quarter.
- October 2021: Successfully held CLHO Elections with electronic voting in a virtual setting.
- November - December 2021: Successfully applied for and was awarded the County Health Rankings & Roadmap grant for equity work.
- December 2021: Successfully transitioned the Executive Director role to Sarah Lochner.
- December 2021 - March 2022: Sarah completed 1:1 meetings with 26 members.
- March 2022: Hired Health Resources in Action to engage with members and design and deliver equity training for June-July 2022.
- March 2022: Successfully held CLHO's first in-person retreat since 2019.
- Ongoing: CLHO staff continued attending relevant trainings to assist with their support of LPHAs.

