

The Oregon Coalition of Local Health Officials (CLHO) Presents:

## Public Health Town Hall Legislative Session 2023

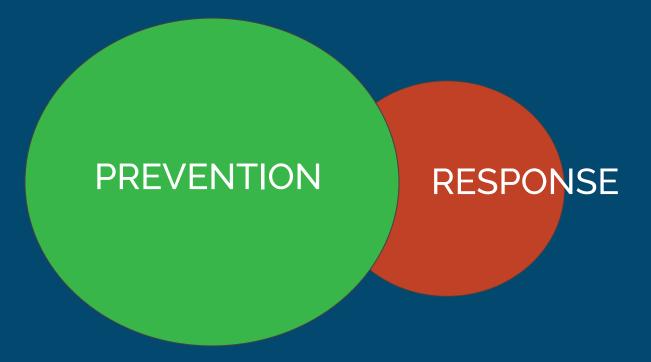
The Time is NOW.

## Agenda

- Introductions
- What is public health?
- Stories from the Trenches
- What is modernization?
- Session asks
- Questions
- Close

\*\*\* Please put questions in the chat as we go \*\*\*

## What is Public Health?



### What is Public Health?

Communicable Disease

Zika Ebola Flu COVID Foodborne illness Environmental Health

Safe Water
Clean Air
Wildfire Response
Lead-based paint
Built Environment
Hotel, Pool, Kitchen
Inspections

Access to Health
Services

Cancer Screenings Immunizations Prenatal Care Nurse Home Visits Chronic Disease Prevention

Oral Health
Smokefree Places
Tobacco Retail
Licensure
Physical Activity
Nutritious Food

THE FOUNDATIONAL PROGRAMS OF PUBLIC HEALTH MODERNIZATION

## **Public Health in Our Communities**





## **Spotlight: Equity & Prevention**

#### **Washington County Child and Maternal Health Program**

#### **Program focus:**

- Reproductive health
- Screening, triage & early intervention
- Parenting supports
  Social, emotional & physical wellness
  Healthy child development
  Family stability & self-sufficiency

#### Families need:

- Timely access to health care and mental health services

- Safe & healthy homes Support in meeting basic needs Culturally responsive peer supports
- In-home services

Washington County Public Health Department

## Spotlight: Equity & Prevention

#### **Solutions**

- Coordinated systems, welcoming programs, & nurturing environments
- Focus on early relational health
- Increased support for traditional health workers and nurse home visiting services
- Developing accessible career pathways for a thriving and diverse workforce
- Investment in small businesses-child care, doula services, & community-based services

Washington County Public Health Department

## Spotlight: Equity & Prevention

#### **Children, Youth & Families Thrive**

It takes a state, a region, and a community investing in maternal (caregiver), child, and family health & wellness strategies to achieve equitable health outcomes for all children, youth and families.

Washington County Public Health Department

## Spotlight: Health Equity and Community Partnerships

#### **Lane County Community Partnerships**

Mobile Public Health & Community Partnerships – ensuring Public Health services in all areas of Lane County, responding to community needs & taking services to where people live.

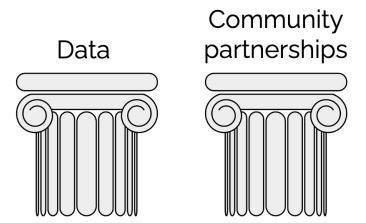




Lane County Public Health Department

#### **Multnomah County Public Health**

Pillars That Guide Our Work



What does data mean in the context of community collaborations?

#### Improving Data Sovereignty, Equity, Justice



Community voice and engagement in data collection, analysis, interpretation, and dissemination



#### Regional Reportable Disease Datamart

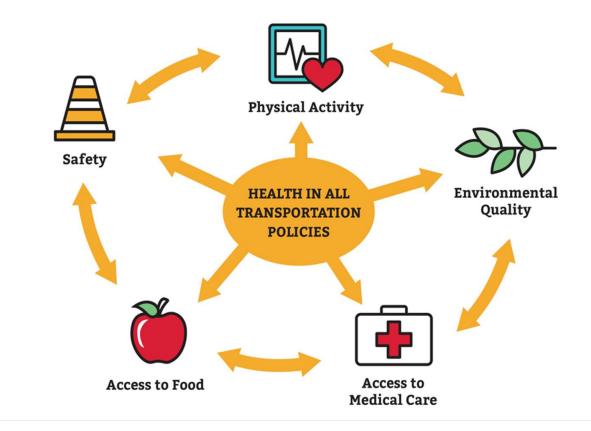
- Datamart mirrors the state reportable disease database
  - Supported by local and regional PHM funds
- Allows local health departments to:
  - perform complex analyses of regional and single county data
  - create real time internal and public-facing data visualization
- December 1-14, 2022: 7,650 files imported representing leading to outbreak identification and disease pattern tracking

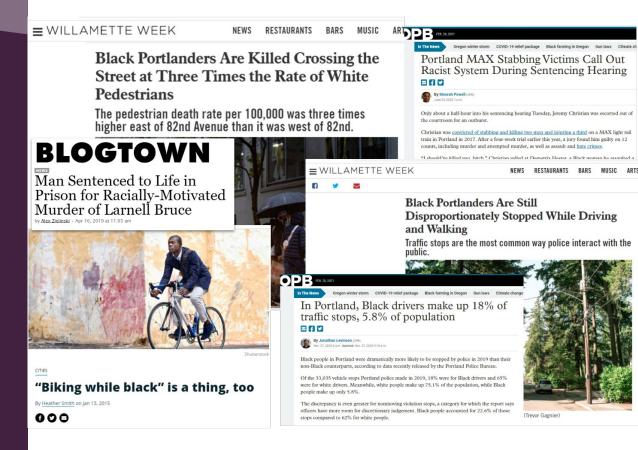




## How We Work With Community

Two examples: REACH Traffic Safety and the Native Community and COVID-19





#### **Recommendations: CPSEs**

#### **Communications**

Center behavior change & equity

## Environmental changes

Alter physical spaces

#### **Policy Changes**

Correct historic injustices

Infrastructure Investment

#### **System changes**

Reinforce accountability Generate Revenue Traffic Victim Fund



#### **Future Generations Collaborative**

Formed in 2011

Collective Impact Partnership: FASD

Multi-Modal System

Inside/Outside Approach

Long-Term, Sustainable Investment



## COVID-19 Pivot: Data Driven Healing & Trauma-Informed Community Response











Resource Guides
Stay-at-Home Toolkits
Community Support Circles
Parent Support Circles
Traditional Medicine for ViMo's
Social Distance Playscape
Coalition Building
Pop Up Testing
MultCo Native COVID Coalition
Fans & Filter Distribution



## COVID-19 Pivot: Data Driven Healing & Trauma-Informed Community Response











Native Art and Messaging
Virtual Wellness Walks
FGC Coloring Book
Virtual Pow-Wows
Onboarding CHW Team
CHW Newsletter
Indigenous Food Sovereignty
Delivery Networks/Mutual Aid
BIPOC Data Council
CHW Training

## The Possibilities: Community Generated Responses

Data Driven

**Culturally Congruent** 

Trauma and Healing Informed

Community Led

Community Embedded

County Funded

Relationship Investment

Mutual Benefit

**Good for Prevention** 

**Good for Crisis** 

**Good for Community** 









## The Possibilities: CPCB Expansion & Coalition Building Investment





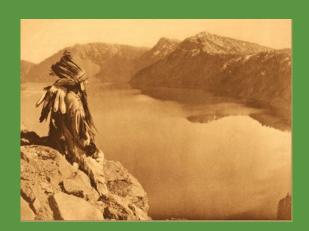








## **Spotlight:** Tribal Partnerships



#### Klamath County Public Health & Klamath Tribes

- Social Exclusion Simulation
  - Klamath Regional Health Equity Coalition
  - Chiloquin First Coalition
- CHA and CHIP
- Sustainable Relationships for Community Health (SRCH)

Grant



Klamath Tribal Health & Family Services

Klamath County Public Health Department



### What is Public Health Modernization?

Communicable Disease

Environmental Health Access to Health
Services

Chronic Disease Prevention

Health Equity and Cultural Responsiveness // Community Partnership Development

Policy and Planning // Leadership and Organizational Competencies

Communications // Data: Assessment and Epidemiology

Emergency Preparedness & Response

THE FOUNDATIONAL CAPABILITIES OF PUBLIC HEALTH MODERNIZATION



## A very brief history...

Rep. Greenlick // 2013 Planning Process

HB 3100 (2015): PHM Framework, estimated \$210m per biennium needed

Biennium 2019-21 2017-19 2021-23 LPHAs \$3.9 M \$10.3 \$33.4 State \$4.4 Tribes \$1.1 Investments **CBOs** \$10 in PHM OHA \$1.1 M \$4.2 \$12.8 Totals \$5 M \$15.6 M \$60 M

2025 Statutory Deadline - The Time is NOW

## 2023 Session Asks:

#### WORKFORCE

- 1. Public Health Modernization: \$286 million
- 2. Public Health Workforce Incentives Fund: \$47 million

#### PREVENTION POLICY

3. Tobacco Flavor Ban



# Public Health Modernization: \$286 Million

- Minimum staffing levels in all counties
- Cross-sector & community collaboration
- Data Infrastructure & Data Sharing
- Health adaptation for extreme weather

\$100m to Local Public Health \$10m to Reproductive Health Services \$100m to Community Based Organizations \$30m to Tribal Governments \$46m to Oregon Health Authority

Local jobs with good benefits

\$88:1 Return on investment

Healthy public = healthy workforce

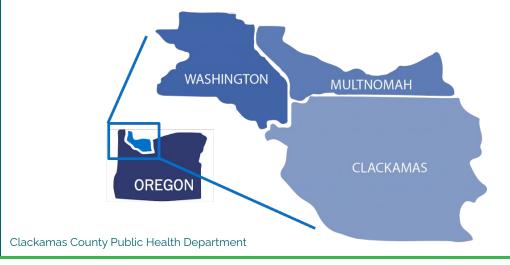
## Public Health Workforce: The Challenges

## Spotlight: WF Impact in the Metro-region

## The Tri-County Region

Clackamas, Washington, and Multnomah Counties are the three most populous counties in Oregon (~1.8 million residents total).

- •43% of the state's population lives in the Tri-County Region
- •70% of Oregon BIPOC communities live in the Tri-County Region



## Spotlight: WF Impact in the Metro-region

## 2021-2023 Accomplishments

Clackamas, Washington and Multnomah Counties are increasing capacity to prevent communicable disease, address COVID plan for climate resilience, and engage communities to better prepare for emerging health threat.



Improvements to data infrastructure for communicable disease



Expanded culturallyspecific partnerships and communication strategies



Developing partnerships with CCOs and health systems on climate resilience

Clackamas County Public Health Department

## Spotlight: WF Impact in the Metro-region

#### Local Public Health Workforce



OREGON



Pre-COVID staffing 56 staff

Pre-COVID staffing 125 staff

Pre-COVID staffing 270 staff

Peak during COVID
195 staff

Peak during COVID 243 staff

Peak during COVID 470 staff

Current staffing 107 staff

Current staffing 185 staff

Current staffing 391 staff

For this biennium, Public Health Modernization investments provided \$14.3 million for the Tri-County through regional and local funding.

Metro-area Public Health Departments

# Spotlight: PH Nurses & Workforce Impacts

#### Public Health Nurse: On the ground experience

Joanne Buck, Multnomah County, Oregon Nurses Association

- Cost of Nursing School is a barrier to public health service
- Serving vulnerable populations
- Experiencing burnout at high rate

#### Umatilla County Public Health: Nurse Hiring Challenges

Joseph Fiumara, Umatilla County Public Health Department

- Had 5 nurses and 1 nurse vacancy at pandemic start
- Lost 4 nurses in the pandemic; gained 1 to replace
- Tried: Sign-on bonuses, extensive outreach, adjusted salary scales to increase faster.
- Succeeded with: increased starting salary & flexibility
- 2 filled / 3 vacancies

## LPH Workforce Incentive Fund - LC 1067 \$47 million

- Scholarships + Barrier Removal
- Loan Repayment
- Retention Bonus at 5 years
- Supervision Stipends Nurses,
   Interns, Fellows

One time funding put into a new "Local Public Health Incentive Fund"

Spend over six years.

Administered by OHA

## **Tobacco Flavor Restriction - LC 1731**

## FLAVORS HOOK OREGON KIDS



Smoking remains the leading cause of preventable death in Oregon. Tobacco companies knowingly market harmful products to young users, spending \$115 million a year in Oregon on advertising and promotions. The result is that nearly all tobacco use begins before the age of 18 and 4 of 5 report starting with a flavored product.

LC 1731 closes the main pathway used to entice kids on tobacco products and hook them for life by restricting the sale of flavored tobacco products.

## **Tobacco Flavor Restriction - LC 1731**

## FLAVORS HOOK OREGON KIDS

- •Nine of 10 adults who smoke report that they started smoking before turning 18
- •7 out of 10 youth e-cigarette users cite flavors as a reason they use e-cigarettes
- •Over half (54%) of current youth smokers ages 12-17 smoke flavored cigarettes (menthol)
- •81% of kids who have used tobacco started with a flavored product
- •85% of youth e-cigarette users report using flavored products
- •85% of current African American users (12 and older) report using menthol flavored tobacco

## **Tobacco Flavor Restriction - LC 1731**



#### Tobacco Products Come in TENS OF THOUSANDS of Flavors. Here are just a few:

Skittles, Berry, Mango, Cherry, Mint, Melon, Double Apple with mint, Orange, Grape, Orange Mint, Grape Mint, Peach, Gum Mint, Pineapple, Sour Patch Kid, Lemon Strawberry, Lemon Mint, Vanilla, Watermelon, Peach Mist, Hurricane Refugee, Geisha, Blueberry, Grapefruit Pink, Pirate's Cave, Bubblegum, Honey berry, Pomegranate, Chocolate, Safari Melon Dew, Coconut, Mighty Freeze, Passion Kiss,

## 2023 Session Asks:

- 1. Public Health Modernization: \$286 million
  - Pays for the day-to-day work
- 2. Public Health Workforce Incentives Fund: \$47 million
  - Pays for the extra incentives to recruit & retain
- Tobacco Flavor Ban

### **QUESTIONS?**





### The Time is NOW.

Thank you.

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