

Polk County Advisory Board of Health Minutes

July 19, 2013 8:30 a.m.

Members present: Dr. Anderson, Dr. Olds, Tom Newton, Bobbretta Brewton

Members absent: Reylon Meeks

Agenda Items	Summary
<u>Approval of Minutes</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved minutes from June meeting.
<u>Public Health Director Report (written report + comments)</u> <i>By Rick Kozin</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on positions at health: Secretary position has been changed to Administrative Assistant and one Office Specialist position changed to bi-lingual CMA to better meet clinic needs. Iowa Get Screened- Colorectal Screening Cancer Program provided services to 59 individuals who qualified for the grant year ending 6/30/2013. Increase of 2 over last grant year. Lab will begin doing rapid HCV testing in-house (sent to SHL prior to this). All positive screens will be sent to reference lab for confirmation. I will be serving on the IDPH Preparedness Advisory Committee (PAC) beginning in July for one year. As of June 28th, MERS-CoV has caused respiratory illness in 77 people worldwide (none in the US). Forty have died. CDC has activated their EOC. Our clinic will attempt to be credentialed with Coventry and CoOpportunity Health-2 insurance plans that have said they will sell policies in Iowa on the new health insurance exchange that will go live January 2014. As of 7/1/2013, IowaCare is not accepting new enrollees. The program will end 12/31/2013. PCHD grant programs that provide income based services are beginning to track income levels to see who would qualify for Medicaid as of 1/2014 (and no longer be eligible for services) PCHD is exploring ways to get information out about how to access and navigate the health insurance change that is being created.
<u>Board of Health/Board of Supervisors Action Review</u> <i>By Scott Slater</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amendments to Public Health Emergency Preparedness grant releasing unspent funds back to state (\$35,000) to be reallocated and also extending contract an additional 3 months and adding an additional \$57,000 Amendment to National Children's Study funding from U of Iowa adding additional funds to cover staff time and materials for planning outreach activities through 9/30/2013. Approval of FY 14 Local Public Health Service Funding with Iowa Department of Public Health. Level funding. All state dollars. Of note is that the health care aide pot and public health nursing pot of funds has

	<p>been combined and are now called “Healthy Aging” funds. Gives us more flexibility on how we can allocate those dollars, both for PCHD programs and with our subcontractor, Wesley Community, who provides nursing and home care aide.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our clinic will attempt to be credentialed with Coventry and CoOpportunity Health-2 insurance plans that have said they will sell policies in Iowa on the new health insurance exchange that will go live January 2014.
<p><u>Air Quality Report</u> <i>By Jeremy Becker</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspections of facilities is busy and two citations have been issued recently to concrete batch plants. • On June 18th, the EPA approved the yearly funding contract with DNR. As a result, Polk County will receive \$880,000 in grant funding for coming year. Focus will be on air sampling near interstates and on-going equipment updating /replacement. • There will be a public hearing on July 30th regarding the updated program rules and regulations. This is being done to bring Polk County in line with changes made at the state level. This was last done in 2011. • The air quality website has been redesigned and updated.
<p><u>Environmental Health and Animal Control report</u> <i>By Bret VandeLune</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mosquito spraying began June 5th and continues in unincorporated areas of Polk County. Statewide, mosquito activity is beginning to decline. However, the species that carries West Nile Virus remains moderate to increasing. • There has been a seasonal increase in animal pickups and cases of neglect. Dog bite levels are remaining constant. • Swimming pool inspections continue. Crivaro Pool has been closed by state due to a case of Cryptosporidiosis being linked to it. They had been inspected as result of citizen correspondence to health department and had been advised to hyper chlorinate pool, a suggestion that was not followed.
<p><u>Health Planning and Education Update</u> <i>By Tammy Keiter</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 Latino Radio Campaigns through La Lay & La Reina Radio- promoting Jumpstart Back to School Fair, Extreme Heat, and Latino Women 50+ recognizing the signs and symptoms of a heart attack and calling 911. • La Reina Magazine-for the month of July will feature an article on extreme heat. • KJMC-African/American Radio Station- Promoting July 27th FREE Jumpstart Back-to-School event and will be running a promotion on upcoming Polk County Health Dept’s Diabetes Screening day on Wednesday, August 14th from 8:00-11:00 a.m. and to include dental screenings. • Business Record: The Suicide Prevention Coalition is targeting the business sector to promote suicide prevention. The coalition has developed Banner Ads for the daily morning online Business Record. For the month of June/July they are promoting the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and will also include promoting the Suicide Prevention walk in September and Suicide Conference in November. • <u>Latino Women’s 50+ Heart Attack Campaign Update:</u>

	<p><i>Know Your Heartbeat (Conoce Tu Latido)</i> awareness and outreach campaign for women 50+ to recognizing the signs and symptoms of a heart attack and calling 911. A Media Roundtable has established a partnership with the local media outlets, radio stations, and newspapers to develop the heart attack awareness campaign. Spokesperson Network have identified opportunities to participate in activities that raise awareness on “heart attacks and women”. The PCHD has elevated its efforts through awareness and outreach and have focused on, heart health education and lifestyle change support internally to Latinos (patient and clients), by engaging them through our programs and services. The project is also partnering with community agencies, health care providers, and other individuals who offer access to an extensive community network, especially for the populations of Latino women. Two events were held in May with Hispanic children decorating Mother’s Day cards with heart attack signs/symptoms and information on calling 911 for their mothers and grandmothers. At Sacred Heart Catholic Church an event was held for Latinos on Heart Health The Office of Women’s Health is talking about providing additional funding and extending the award for one more year.</p> <p><u>Polk County Health Department Customer Service Feedback Report</u></p> <p>In June, 102 surveys were completed. Overall, patients rated their entire visit at PCHD as an “A” with an overall score of 3.95/4.00. Grades related to the front desk, and check-in processes ranged from 3.4 to 4.0/4.0. Grades related to services received from clinical staff ranged from 3.7 to 4.0/4.0. Grades for the overall condition of the building were 4.0/4.0.</p>
<p><u>Communicable Disease</u> <i>By Kari Lebeda Townsend</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tb- 2 active cases, 10 latent cases receiving direct observed therapy • Immunizations – increase in number of TDap vaccination due to grant efforts to reach adult African American population. Additional adolescent clinics scheduled at PCHD July 25th, 30th and Aug 3rd. • Communicable disease –parasitic and bacterial infections have increased. Statewide outbreak of cyclospora (109 cases state, 10 Polk) and potential salmonella outbreak (18 case state, 2 Polk). Crypto cases in Polk increasing (currently 25, evenly distributed between children and adults). Single source has not been identified. This compares to total of 20 cases for June- August in 2012.
<p><u>Committee Member Comments</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
<p><u>Adjournment</u></p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 9:30 am</p>

Next meeting August 16, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.

Others present:

Rick Kozin, PCHD

Jeremy Becker, Air Quality

Tammy Keiter, PCHD

Kari Lebeda Townsend, PCHD

Scott Slater, PCHD

Cari Spear, VNS of Iowa

Bret VandeLune, Public Works