

Polk County Advisory Board of Health Minutes

October 19, 2018

Members present: Thomas Newton, Simon Geletta, Reylon Meeks, Anne Bacon

Members absent: Yogi Shah

Agenda Items	Summary
<u>Approval of Minutes</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> September minutes approved
<u>Public Health Director Report (written report + comments)</u> <i>By Helen Eddy</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Director is keeping an eye on any potential pending legislation introduced in the upcoming legislative year regarding needle exchange programs through the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH).
<u>Board of Health/Board of Supervisors Action Review (written report + comments)</u> <i>By Scott Slater</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding for the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program from IDPH has increased 10% over last year's award.
<u>Department Outcomes: Building Medical Homes</u> <i>By Chris Frantsvog, Community Health Program Manager and Kim McMains, Community Health Outreach Coordinator</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical homes benefit both the patient and provider. There is trust involved, medical records are kept all in one place, helps to guarantee better medical outcomes. Some of the areas where PCHD incorporates/promotes the medical home concept and had successes are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Back to School (BTS) Events- historically, PCHD involved in these as an organizer, all while communicating the need among partners to stop fragmenting care. We now participate to support and sustain the medical home concept. Staff stress support the importance of a family doctor, scan and fax records to kid's medical home if they have one, and encourage and assist last year's participants who have one with scheduling an appointment. At PCHD clinic- as our focus is on uninsured patients, we get info from every immunization caller about why they contacted us. If family has a medical home, we contact to make sure they go back. With School nurses- stressed to nurses to tell students to "go to your family doctor", provided tools to assist with this, contacted school nurses if this wasn't followed. What's Next: convene BTS in January more efforts to focus on target groups, and to establish care; increase opportunities to work with coaches and athletic directors; continue to engage providers to better understand needs of patients.
<u>Community Health Updates Update</u> <i>by Chris Frantsvog</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three Unity Point clinics are piloting a STD extra- genital specimen self-collection project.

<u>Communicable Disease Update (written report)</u> <i>By Kari Lebeda Townsend</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to see foodborne outbreaks in September, starting to return to normal levels. • Current flu activity is low and sporadic • AFM (acute flaccid myelitis) cases are being seen- a rare but no new condition. Has been a reportable disease since 2014. 386 cases reported since 8/2016. No singular cause, may be vital, environmental factors involved. 2 cases reported in Iowa to date.
<u>Environmental Health</u> <i>By Bret Van De Lune</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mosquito trapping and spraying ended 9/30/2018. • 2018 outdoor pool inspections- no major issues reported. • Fall winter inspections focus on tattoo parlors and tanning beds • Volume of septic time of transfer inspections fluctuate with the real estate market.
<u>Air Quality</u> <i>By Jennifer Bradley</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upcoming meetings: 10/24- DBR program review; 11/20- public hearing on Chapter 5 updates; 12/20- Air Quality stakeholder's meeting; • Waiting to hear results of EPA audit visit from 10/16-17.
<u>Committee Member Comments</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reylon Meeks had a communication from a Johnson County Board of Health member recommending that Polk County rejoin NALBOH.
<u>Public Comments</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
<u>Adjournment</u>	

Next Meeting November 16, 2018 at 8:30am

Others present:

Helen, Eddy, PCHD

Scott Slater, PCHD

Kari Lebeda-Townsend, PCHD

Chris Frantsvog, PCHD

Kim McMains, PCHD

Chris Gonzales, Polk County Attorney

Jennifer Bradley, Air Quality

Bret Van De Lune, Environmental Health

Heather Frank. WesleyLife