



# Public Health Advisory Council Meeting

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## MEETING MINUTES – January 22nd, 2020 @ 4:00pm

Health Department Board Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
2030 Tecumseh Road  
Manhattan, KS 66502

In attendance: *Please see attached sign in sheet.*

### 1. Welcome and Sign In

- a. Julie called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm
- b. Call for other items to be added to the agenda
- c. No public comment.

### 2. Director's Report

#### a. Grants

- i. Peine Foundation – Awarded - \$10,000 for Food and Farm Council efforts. The Food and Farm Council is a subcommittee of the Flint Hills Wellness Coalition.

A. CATs – Community Action Teams – Food insecurity, food waste, nutrition skills education.

B. They are hoping to obtain an old ATA Bus to help provide transportation to and from Common Table, a free dinner that is open to the public. They will also use it to get food to remote places. They also considered using money to add blessing boxes and keep it maintained. This grant will pay for someone to teach nutrition skills at the Boys and Girls Club.

- ii. Aid to Local Grants

A. Open January 15, closes March 15

B. Commission approval on March 5<sup>th</sup>

- iii. BCBS Pathways Grant - \$200,000 for 4 years

A. Focus on tobacco, nutrition and physical activity

B. The Flint Hills Wellness Coalition will work on this grant. The Health Department is the fiscal agent.

- b. Chronic Disease Risk Reduction (CDRR) – Resist is a youth-led, statewide movement created to FIGHT against the tobacco industry's influence on Kansans. Resist works to counteract tobacco influences on Kansas' youth.

- i. There are currently 3 Resist Chapters in Manhattan

A. Eisenhower Middle School

B. Manhattan High School under SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions)

C. Boys and Girls Teen Club (newest)

- ii. Shanika giving KanQuit information to providers and working on "Quit Kits" which includes gum, stress balls and KanQuit information.

- iii. Tobacco Cessation - The Surgeon general's report concluded that tobacco using is the single most avoidable cause of disease, disability and death in the United States. There is support available to stop smoking. Contact: Shania Rose, CDRR Coordinator at [srose@rileycountyks.gov](mailto:srose@rileycountyks.gov) or 785-776-4779 ext. 7650

#### c. Hiring

- i. Child Care Surveyor – FILLED! Our Child Care Licensing Program serves 5 County’s to include Riley, Pottawatomie, Geary, Clay, and Dickenson County. We needed another surveyor to help serve all 5 Counties.
    - A. Rachel Chapman
  - ii. Maternal and Child Health Nurse
    - A. Full Time RN – We’ve had trouble finding a nurse for this position since it’s not a clinical position.
  - iii. Maternal and Child Health Social Worker
    - A. Full Time SW. A bachelor’s degree is required.
  - iv. Raising Riley Literacy Facilitator
    - A. Full Time Position
- d. Save the Date
  - i. April 10<sup>th</sup> – BugaPolooza
    - A. 10am – 2pm
    - B. The Douglas Center could be a potential location.
    - C. Bug bite prevention, outdoor and water safety, games, personal preparedness, Milford Nature Center, Sunset Zoo Bug Show, popcorn, door prizes and much more!
- e. Annual Reports
  - i. RCHD Annual Report
    - A. Letter from the PHAC
    - B. Presentation to the PHAC during February meeting
  - ii. Strategic Planning Annual Report
    - A. Summarize progress on the strategic plan and performance management 2017-2019
    - B. Available on website (“about” section)
  - iii. Performance Management Report
    - A. Outcome measures from each RCHD program
  - iv. Strategic Planning 2020-2025
    - A. Presentation to the PHAC during February meeting
- f. Public Health Accreditation (PHAB)
  - i. The measurement of health department performance against a set of nationally recognized, practice-focused and evidenced-based standards
  - ii. Report
    - A. 97% satisfaction rate
    - B. Status known by March 23
    - C. We didn’t have any “no demonstrated” measures.
- g. Performance Management
  - i. Improves the effectiveness of the organization
  - ii. Helps to achieve the organization’s mission and strategic goals.
  - iii. Measure = representation of the outcome
  - iv. Performance Standard = guideline against which an organization's level of performance can be compared.
  - v. Baseline: 2018 (or earlier for some departments) starting point for the measure
  - vi. Child Care Licensing (CCL)
    - A. Measure: % of illegal care complaints that are converted to licensed facilities – Baseline was at 50%, performance standard was at 100% they are above the performance standard.

- vii. CCL Next Steps and Opportunities
  - A. Ongoing Quality Improvement Project
    - Goal: Maintain 100% of substantiated illegal care complaints will obtain a child care license or no longer reside in Riley County.
    - Follow-up letter about the benefits of becoming a licensed provider.
    - Follow up follow call if they do not sign up for orientation.
- viii. Raising Riley (RR)
  - A. Measure: the percentage of parents who read to their children 0-5 years of age every day in the past week – Baseline was at 25%. Performance standard was just above 50%. They met their goal.
  - B. RR was approved for a grant that will provide a walking book trail.
- ix. RR Next Steps and Opportunities
  - A. Monthly Library events for families to join Raising Riley at the library.
  - B. Incentive program to encourage families to check out children’s books from the library. One award will be presented each quarter for the next year.
  - C. Distribute updated Literacy Questionnaire to Raising Riley families during assessment visits. This will provide guidance and understanding of the needs and goals these families have regarding Early Literacy.
- x. Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) there’s a dip in April. Robin
  - A. Measure: percentage of WIC mothers breastfeeding to six months. Baseline was just above 30% Performance Standard is at 60%. The actual rate is between 40% and 50%.
    - Robbin identified a decrease trend in April 2017, April 2018, and April 2019.
- xi. WIC Next Steps and Opportunities
  - A. Continue to increase the number of direct contacts with the WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor (BFPC)
    - Contact doubled from Dec ‘18 to Dec ‘19 (125-255)
  - B. Implemented breastfeeding room at IACH
    - Earlisha texts clients at IACH, look at sending her once a week for one-on-one visits.
  - C. The hospital (MHK) is now a High 5 for Mom and Baby recognized hospital!!
  - D. The Women’s Health Group now refers patients to WIC.
  - E. WIC BFPC doubled her contacts and implement breast feeding room at IACH. She text clients.
- xii. WIC
  - A. Measure: Percent of WIC Caseload Assigned by the State WIC Office. The baseline is at 100%. The performance standard is at 100%. They are above the performance standard.
- xiii. WIC Next Steps and Opportunities
  - A. Caseloads across the nation are decreasing
    - Decline in birthrates national wide (KS rates declined 0.5%)
    - Decline in unemployment rates
  - B. Riley County caseloads are increasing
    - Biggest increase at Ft. Riley (highest #s in Oct ‘19)
  - C. Continued outreach efforts
    - New communication efforts will help

- Continue attending events such as the “Victory Welcome” at Fort Riley.
- xiv. Maternal and Child Health (MCH)
  - A. Measure: the percentage of mothers who delivered early. Baseline is just above 8%. Performance Standard is at 8%. The actual percentage ranges from 13% - 0%.
- xv. MCH Next Steps and Opportunities
  - A. Revised application process for the Perinatal Grant to get women into care faster
  - B. Working with Women’s Health Group to refer women quickly.
  - C. Quality Improvement Project (ongoing)
    - Texts for appointment reminders and follow-up on referrals
    - Work with other programs internally to provide “warm handoffs
  - D. Robbin questioned the influencing factors for moms that deliver early such as physicians schedule, tax reasons...etc. Julie is unsure but will ask the MCH Coordinator this information.
  - E. It’s beneficial to have all family services in FCRC. Daniel was interested in IRIS data? Julie can present this information.
- xvi. Public Health Clinic
  - A. Measure: percentage of young adults (13-15) clients who have been immunized against the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) The baseline is just above 10%. The performance standard is at 80%. The actual range is just above 30%
  - B. Measure: percentage of infants (0-2) fully immunized. The baseline is at 70%. The performance standard is just above 70%. The actual ranges from 70% to below 60%.
- xvii. Public Health Clinic Next Steps and Opportunities
  - A. All Health Department programs can impact immunization rates
    - Using IRIS Referral System
  - B. Memorial Hospital Association Grant (Free Administration for Uninsured adolescents)
    - Scan immunization records for the 0-5 year olds for review by immunization staff and Raising Riley. Provide childcare incentives for immunizations, implemented in 2019.
  - C. Offer all vaccines at community clinics
  - D. Universal recommendation
    - Presentations to parents/schools/providers
    - Letter to providers encouraging Universal Recommendation
    - Collaborating with KanCare managed care organizations to get a list of clients in Riley County that need vaccines.

### 3. Business

- a. All present PHAC in favor of Daniel Winslow the 2020 PHAC Chair.
- b. All present PHAC in favor to Jenny Yuen as Vice Chair.
- c. Epi Report
  - i. Andrew reports that we are starting to see a spike into peak flu season. Currently Influenza B is what is being reported.
  - ii. Chief complaint surveillance is based on cough, fever, and sore throat or “Influenza Like Illness” (ILI).
  - iii. We partner with schools to collect absenteeism on a daily basis to spot trends.
  - iv. The peak of absences was the first week of school. We started seeing Influenza B before Thanksgiving break and after Thanksgiving.

- v. The surveillance numbers can be skewed. Parents may not be honest about why their student is absent. They could call in to say they “think” they have strep throat. However, it may not be a confirmed case.
- vi. In 2019, the County had 144 disease investigations. We didn’t conduct all 144 investigations. They were conducted with RCHD, Lafene and KDHE.
- vii. We did have one probably measles investigation but was not a confirmed case.
- viii. We had a mumps spike in 2017 which was affiliated with KSU.
- ix. There was a lot of vector borne illness investigations but nothing was confirmed. We are seeing an increase of these investigations since physicians are testing for these illnesses. They will put multiple probable diagnosis for one person in EpiTrax. So, one person could have multiple investigations.
- x. The average age for investigations is 36. This is surprising since we are a college town.
- xi. Andrew reports that there’s no pattern in the data.
- xii. The most common category is hepatitis and food and waterborne. Chronic Hepatitis B or C will open as a new investigation every year. Even if the person has had the illness for years. We call to confirm they’ve been to the physician then close the case.

4. Other

- a. Julie mentioned that the PHAC can redefine the by-laws and make changes needed. The changes will need Board of Health approval. Julie said one of our Strategic Plan goals is to give our clients a voice. We want to open PHAC to the public.
- b. Robbin said a function of the PHAC is to identify public health concerns. We, as a Council, need to look at our role, and address Public Health issues under the Health Department. It’s an opportunity to engage the Community about these Public Health topics. We can use this platform to advocate public health promotions. Once a concern is identified, we can invite an expert to discuss the issue. The PHAC has focused on vaping and tobacco use, Fake Patty’s Day and sexual assaults in Aggieville. RCPD presented information to the PHAC on sexual assaults in Manhattan. Robbin said topics were driven by the passions of the Council members. Each PHAC Member needs to think about how Public Health relates in their area.
- c. Michelle will see how many open positions are left of the PHAC. Julie states that we need to identify people in the community that could serve on the Council. Daniel was curious about the application from the individual that resides in rural Riley County. Michelle will look at the November PHAC minutes to see what was decided.
- d. Ben would like to compare KSU and Fort Riley data. The Health Department doesn’t follow up on STD cases. That is conducted by the State. The Health Department is unable to obtain STD data since the State changed the system. Last year, we had 709 STI’s in the County. We trend higher in chlamydia and gonorrhea.
- e. Julie suggested changing the time of the PHAC meeting. This would give the community an opportunity to attend. Robbin said if we collect data and determine the time is a barrier, then we can consider changing the time.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm Daniel

**Next Meeting: February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 4:00pm**