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Advisory Council

October 20, 2015 meeting notes

Council: Steve Becker, Amy Bishop-Smith, Joan Caley, Mark Collier, Remy Eussen, Karen Evans, Adriana Linares, Greg Noelck, Bob Richardson, Alden Roberts, Stephanie Rouse-Yamashita
Staff: Aaron Frederiksen, Lydia Gherman, Jeff Harbison, Janis Koch, Alan Melnick, and Roxanne Wolfe
Guest: Adrienne Fairbanks and Christopher Pexton

(1) WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS/APPROVAL OF MEETING NOTES (*Mark*)

Introduction of PHAC Members

Mark opened the meeting in Trevor's absence. The council reviewed the meeting notes from September 2015. Remy Eussen moved and Joan Caley seconded motion to accept meeting notes as submitted. The motion passed.

(2) DEPARTMENT UPDATE (*Alan*)

- **Pertussis**
 - Pertussis is still considered an outbreak with 326 reported cases in Washington State.
- **Flu**
 - Previous year vaccine was not a good match to the circulating influenza around the world.
 - Vaccination is still the best way to prevent flu.
- **Ethics Deliberation: poll audience for interest, potential participation for January 2016**
 - Dr. Melnick has been involved in the Ethics Deliberation nationally.
 - Involved and deals with resource allocation and conflict of interest.
 - An Ethics committee is now available in Clark County
 - The Ethics Committee is part of the accreditation process.
 - Topic that has been discussed is pandemic disease and the distribution of ventilators.
 - Ultimate decisions would weigh very strong from this group.
 - The PA's office is also involved in the Ethics Deliberation.
 - Would like to gauge interest from the PHAC Committee in future involvement and participation.
 - Stage one is getting experts together for allocation draft
 - Stage two is community involvement for equity.
 - There is no experience required to be in the committee.
- **HEAL Grant (Healthy Eating Active Living)**
 - Clark County Public Health staff, Cyndie Meyer was instrumental in obtaining this grant.
 - For the first three months we will work closely with Kaiser Permanente starting in November 2015.
 - This grant will provide funding for improving Central Vancouver's Health through Active Living project (Fourth Plain corridor) and improving physical activity.

- This is a \$250,000 grant for a 3 year commitment.
- **Online Permitting update**
 - Released an RFQ (Request for Quote) for online permitting system with a decision in the next few weeks.
 - The work will involve developing the system and configuring to Clark County Public Health needs.
 - Septic, restaurant facilities, swimming pools and related Environmental Public Health permits.
 - There is a good chance of going live in November.
- **ACES**
 - Improving awareness of Adverse Childhood Experiences and other trauma in the community.
 - Define and monitor appropriate and measurable outcomes to assess the impact of this collaborative effort.
 - Data-driven and evidence-informed work
 - Create shared understanding of brain development and causes and impacts of Adverse Childhood Experiences through community outreach.
 - Cross-sector collaboration
 - Engage and mobilize community leaders to foster connection, communication and commitment to reduce Adverse Childhood Experiences.
 - Trauma-informed organizations
 - Educate and encourage local organizations to adopt trauma-sensitive policies.

(3) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Mark)

- **Committee Appointments update:**
 - Summary of PHAC positions as of October 7, 2015:
 - A consumer of public health services - New member: Steve Becker
 - A doctor of veterinary medicine - New member: Possible candidate
 - A youth representative - New member: Amy Bishop-Smith
 - A representative of Clark County septic designers, contractors, pumpers and O&M specialists
Reappointment: Mark Collier
 - Non-elected representative of city of Vancouver - Reappointment: Joan Caley
 - A representative of Legacy Hospital - New member: In process
- **Nominating Committee Update: (Mark)**
 - We are looking at filling the Executive Committee for 2016 and for those who are interested you may contact anyone on the Nominating Committee: Sandy Mathewson, Bob Richardson, Remy Eussen, and Joan Caley.
 - The positions are: Chair, Vice Chair and Member at Large.
- **Proposal** – we are proposing not holding a meeting in December.
 - All agree.

(4) PHAB Accreditation (Public Health Accreditation Board): (Janis/Aaron)

- How the Community Health Assessment (CHA) and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) fit into Accreditation.

(Aaron)

- Clark County Public Health will be applying for accreditation through PHAB in April 2017.
 - We should be receiving a decision by 2018.
- Benefits are:
 - Confirmation of what we are doing well
 - Areas of improvement
 - Accreditation will make the access of receiving grants easier
 - High performance goals
- PHAC will be a steering committee for PHAB.
- The PHAB Standards include: Domain and Standards that determines what the accreditation board is looking for in order to be approved. These are general guidelines.
- After approval there will be a five year cycle of the CHIP and Strategic Planning for reaccreditation.
- Best Practice quarterly meetings are used for training and staying up to date on this information.
- Domain Leads will collect the documentation with a peer review process in place to identify the best examples.
- PHAB will do a site visit to determine eligibility and accreditation.

(Janis)

- Clark County Public Health has been part of the Public Health Standards since around 1995.
- There is an 80% overlap between PHAB and Public Health Standards and we have an advantage at being familiar with the standards.
- The Public Health Accreditation Board was formed in 2014.
- There are three required documents for the Accreditation - CHA, CHIP and Agency Strategic Plan.
- Budget cut is on the rise and being accredited will be helpful in funding in addition to having a well operating Public Health Department.
- **Program Coordinator II position:**
 - Looking for a good facilitator who will be working with a diverse group of people.
 - Feedback from the PHAC committee on specific qualities:
 - Systems thinker
 - Ability to work as a team
 - Transparency
 - Understanding of Public Health
 - Optimistic, diplomatic and high energy
 - Should have some understanding of the PHAB
 - Passionate
 - Introduce scenario situations with feedback from the reference checks

Discussion:

- Continual discussion of PHAB and the direction
- Program Coordinator II position and ideas for reviewing resumes to find a good fit

(5) PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments.

(6) ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.