



# Public Health Advisory Council Meeting

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## MEETING MINUTES – February 26th, 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. Daniel called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm
- b. Call for other items to be added to the agenda
- c. No public comment.
  - i. Debbie Nuss, Chair of the Flint Hills Wellness Coalition (FHWC), is asking the PHAC to advocate to make our 5 County Parks smoke free. The parks within the city limits of Manhattan are currently smoke free. The FHWC in conjunction with the Health Department is working on this topic. Debbie is asking for a letter of support from the PHAC to give to the BoCC. Unfortunately, there's public confusion about which park is City and which is County. If the County parks become smoke free then there wouldn't be any confusion. There is also a fire safety issue with smoking in County parks.
    - A. Robbin submitted a motion to support the FHWC initiative. All was in favor. Julie and Daniel will write the letter.

### 2. Director's Report

- a. Staff Updates
  - i. Rachel Chapman, CCL
    - A. February 3 – Rachel will be surveying Geary and Clay Counties.
  - ii. Tammy Feldkamp, MCH
    - A. February 10 – Tammy took over for Beth Kellstrom who retired.
  - iii. Dena Jones, RR
    - A. February 18 – Raising Riley Literacy Facilitator
    - B. Theresa Keene – Theresa conducts assessments on scholarship recipients.
  - iv. Still Open: MCH Nurse Position – information can be found on our website.
- b. Grant Updates
  - i. Kansas Department of Health and Environment – Aid to Local
    - A. Applications open January 15, due March 15<sup>th</sup>. We will seek approval on March 5<sup>th</sup>.
    - B. This Grants supports a lot of our programs within the Health Department. We would welcome PHAC support when present to the BoCC. Michelle will email the BoCC time to you.
  - ii. BCBS – Pathways Grant
    - A. Applications open January 22, due March 20. We will seek approval on March 5<sup>th</sup> (Fiscal Agent for the Flint Hills Wellness Coalition).
    - B. We applied for this grant in 2017 but was not awarded. This is a \$200,000 grant over 4 years.
- c. Save the Date

- i. March 26-27: Spring 2020 Open Forum for Public Health in Kansas City.
  - A. Ed is attending this training.
- ii. April 1-2: Governors Public Health Conference (Clinic, MCH) in Wichita.
- iii. April 6-10: Public Health Week Ideas for Activities? Ed is looking for activities. Please let us know if you have any ideas.
  - A. Monday – Mental Health
  - B. Tuesday – Maternal and Child
  - C. Wednesday – Violence Prevention
  - D. Thursday – Environmental
  - E. Friday – Education
  - F. Saturday – Healthy Housing
- iv. Summer
  - A. BugAPalooza, 10-2 at the Douglas Center (flyer available at the end of the month). We were unable to find a location. We are postponing it until this summer.
- d. Sunflower Foundation Grant – We met with Dr. Morton with Northview to identify gaps in the community. Leslie said they are having round table community conversations. They are piloting this so it can be replicated this in other areas. Julie will keep you updated on this.
  - i. CNA
    - A. Gap between those who are doing well and those struggling
    - B. Affordable child care
    - C. Affordable housing
    - D. Lack of access/affordable MH services
    - E. Affordable health insurance/and health services
  - ii. Northview Schools
    - A. Transportation
    - B. Summer programs
    - C. School garden
    - D. Inexpensive/free pm meals
  - iii. Northview Community
    - A. Transportation
    - B. Inexpensive/free PM meals
    - C. Safe neighborhoods
- e. New Data Available
  - i. Kansas Health Rankings
    - A. RC is the for health outcomes
    - B. RC is 21<sup>st</sup> for health factors.
    - C. [Countyhealthrankings.org](http://Countyhealthrankings.org)
- f. Strategic Plan 2020-2025 Annual Report 2019
  - i. Strategic Plan – It'll be available on our website when it's complete.
    - A. 4 Priorities, 12 goals
    - B. Annual Reports on website.
  - ii. Annual Report
    - A. Highlights of 2019

### 3. Business

- a. Milk Bank Report – Jane Freyenberger, WIC Supervisor
  - i. WIC opened a milk bank on Jan 13<sup>th</sup> which is the first one in Kansas. We do not distribute milk, just collect it. Milk donations can be lifesaving for preemies. We have a freezer to store the milk which gets shipped out. Since opening, we’ve had 6 people donate. We currently have three that are getting labs drawn to become a donor.
- b. Clinic been working on Improving Access to Care, one way is have become a provider that now has the ability to automatically enroll clients in The Early Detection Works Program. The Early Detection Works Program not only provides well women exams, pap testing and mammograms to women 40-65 who qualify. They will also serve women from 21-40 who have an abnormal pap smear or abnormal clinical breast exam. The Clinic now has the ability to enroll clients on site for the services. In addition family planning program is now using these 4 brochures for STD, HIV education, 2 for adults and 2 for teens. These are the only new brochures that the program is using at this time. Funding for the brochures was received from a grant from the Greater Manhattan Foundation. That grant also provided supplies to do outreach events for STI testing. Last year, the biggest outreach event was Little Apple Pride. At this year’s event, our intent is to increase staff to get more people tested. If there are any concerns regarding the educational materials purchased please e-mail me or talk to me after the meeting today.
- c. CoVid19 Update
  - i. This is a new strain of a contagious virus. If one person is sick, it could get up to 4 people sick.
  - ii. What’s in the name?
    - A. SARS – CoV-2
      - Sudden Acute Respiratory Syndrome 2
      - Not SARS-CoV (2003)
    - B. COVID-19
      - Coronavirus Disease-2019
  - iii. Outbreak Timeline
    - A. 31 December 2019: WHO notified of “pneumonia of unknown cause” detected in Wuhan China
    - B. 7<sup>th</sup> largest city in China; ~11 million residents
    - C. 13 January 2020: first international case outside of China reported in Thailand
    - D. 19 January 2020: first cases in China outside of Wuhan reported
    - E. 23 and 24 January 2020: Wuhan, Huanggang and Ezhou placed under quarantine
    - F. Public transportation and air travel suspended
    - G. Complete the clinical picture
    - H. Search for causes of health and illness
    - I. 7 January 2020: CDC establishes COVID-19 Incident Management System
    - J. 31 January 2020: HHS Secretary, Dr. Alex Azar II declares Public Health Emergency for the United States
    - K. 2 February 2020: USG suspended entry of foreign national who have been to China within the past 14 days
      - US Citizens, residents and immediate family allowed to enter United States, though are subject to health monitoring and potentially quarantine for up to 14 days
  - iv. SitRep:
    - A. CDC Travel Notices
      - Warning Level 3: Avoid non-essential travel
        - China and South Korea
    - B. Alert Level 2: Older adults and those with chronic medical conditions should consider postponing nonessential travel

- Iran, Italy, Japan
- C. Watch Level 1: Practice usual precautions
  - Hong Kong
- D. 14 Confirmed Cases
  - 12 travel-related
  - 2 person-to-person in the United States
- E. 3 Cases Repatriated from Wuhan, China
- F. 36 Cases Repatriated from Diamond Princess Cruise Ship
- v. SitRep: Kansas
  - A. Kansas Department of Health & Environment (KDHE) has provided information to local health departments regarding patient (and contact) monitoring, investigation, and follow up
  - B. KDHE working with CDC to identify potential cases
  - C. Health departments throughout the state are updating procedures and policies related to COVID-19 preparedness and response operations
- vi. Community Preparedness and Emergency Operations Coordination
  - A. Collaboration with preparedness and response partners
    - Reminding of roles and responsibilities during outbreak response
    - Training staff
  - B. Encouraging the public to be prepared
    - Do you have a preparedness plan?
    - Riley County Medically Vulnerable Population Registry
- vii. Public Information and Warning
  - A. <https://www.rileycountyks.gov/1857/Novel-Coronavirus-2019-nCoV>
  - B. Informing local stakeholders (that's you!) about what the county is doing, and what you can do to prepare
  - C. 6 Facebook posts have reached a little over 5400 people – in context, posts made that were preparedness related reached a total of ~ 11000 in 2019
- viii. information Sharing
  - A. Updating public and private partners to maintain situational awareness
    - Hospitals
    - Schools
    - County entities
  - B. Reviewing roles and responsibilities related to disease containment and control
- ix. Medical Materials Management
  - A. Monitoring inventory and identifying potential supply chain issues
    - Personal protective equipment
    - Thermometers
  - B. Coordinating with partners on local and regional level to ensure supply chain integrity
- x. Public Health Surveillance and Epidemiological Investigation
  - A. Determining local monitoring guidelines
  - B. Interpreting federal guidance
  - C. Training staff
  - D. Sharing information with local, regional, and state partners
  - E. Analysis of disease data
    - Syndromic Surveillance via ESSENCE
    - School and childcare absenteeism data

- xi. The Department of Homeland Security will quarantine people when they come back into the Country if they are sick.
- xii. We would seek guidance from KDHE and the CDC if we had a high risk individual.
- xiii. Non Pharmaceutical Interventions
  - A. Social Distancing – Stay home when you are sick. Avoid close contact with people who are sick/when you’re sick.
  - B. Cleaning and Disinfections
  - C. Isolation and Quarantine
  - D. Personal and Hand Hygiene – Hand washing; covering coughs and sneezes.
- xiv. Non Pharmaceutical Interventions : Social Distancing
  - A. Actions taken to stop or slow the spread of disease
  - B. Coordination with partners, including public officials, schools, emergency management and law enforcement
  - C. Limiting the congregation of large groups of people
    - Closing buildings
    - Cancelling school
    - Sporting Events
- xv. Non Pharmaceutical Interventions : Isolation and Quarantine
  - A. Isolation
    - Separate and restrict movement of **sick persons** from those who are well
  - B. Quarantine
    - Separate and restrict movement of **healthy persons** who may have been **exposed** to a communicable disease
  - C. United States Constitution’s Commerce Clause
    - Provides federal government authority for isolation and quarantine
  - D. 42 US Code §264, Section 361 of the Public Health Service Act
    - HHS Secretary authorized to take measures to prevent the entry and spread of communicable diseases from foreign countries into the United States and between states
    - 42 Code of Federal Regulations parts 70 and 71: delegates authorities to CDC
  - E. Federal government may assist state and local authorities in preventing the spread of disease within their communities
  - F. Kansas Statutes Annotated 65-129 (KSA 65-129)
    - Control efforts in the event of large-scale outbreaks caused by pandemic influenza or other biological agents
    - Provides authority to the local Health Officer to declare necessary containment measures
  - G. Requirements for isolation or quarantine shall be based on current medical knowledge of the infectious or contagious disease...consider the following:
    - Incubation period
    - Communicable period
    - Mode of transmission
    - Susceptibility

- H. All events, no matter the size and scope, are local
- I. “America’s defense against epidemics is divided among 2,685 state, local, and tribal public health departments.”
- J. Isolation and Quarantine Orders exist (separately)
  - Voluntary
  - “Order to Go and Remain in Isolation”
  - “Order to Go and Remain in Quarantine”
- K. Partner agencies
  - Law enforcement
  - Emergency Management
- xvi. While our virus is new, our processes and procedures are not. #PreparedNotScared
- d. “Shine On” Mental Health Traveling Project – Maternal and Child Health
  - i. This is a project that brings perinatal mental health to light. Becoming a Mom participants use water colors to paint they feel symbolizes hope. This traveling piece of art will be in The Women’s Health Group and will travel to Ascension. If you would like to display the art along with have some perinatal education, please let Breva or Nanette know.

Meeting adjourned at 4:52pm Daniel

**Next Meeting: March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 4:00 pm**