

**Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB)**

**January 18, 2018**

**Draft Meeting Minutes**

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**Attendance:**

**Board members present:** Carrie Brogoitti, Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown, Jennifer Vines, Alejandro Qeral, Rebecca Pawlak, Jeff Luck, Bob Dannenhoffer, Eli Schwartz, Teri Thalhofer, Tricia Mortell, Kelle Adamek-Little, Katrina Hedberg, Akiko Saito, David Bangsberg, Lillian Shirley, Eva Rippeteau

**Oregon Health Authority (OHA) staff:** Sara Beaudrault, Cara Biddlecom, Julia Hakes, Steve Fiala, Myde Boles, Karen Girard, Sue Woodbury, Lisa Millet

**Members of the public:** Adam Honerman (OHSU), Monica Nunes (Rede Group)

**Approval of Minutes**

A quorum was present. The Board moved to approve the November 17 minutes with all in favor.

**Welcome and updates**

*-Rebecca Pawlak, PHAB chair*

Rebecca shared [a description of each of the regional public health modernization grants](#) that was provided in meeting materials. Work officially started on December 1, 2017.

[The draft administrative rules](#) related to the passage of the two public health modernization bills, HB 3100 (2015) and HB 2310 (2017) that were shared previously as a public draft are now operational as of January 1.

David shared an update about the January 16 Oregon Health Policy Board retreat: The Oregon Health Policy Board reflected on CCO 1.0. Data is showing decreased emergency room visits and increased primary care visits. The Health Policy Board discussed the next round of CCO contracts, which is being called CCO 2.0, with a focus around how to move upstream and how to impact covered lives through population health. David noted that Pat Allen did a great job discussing the FamilyCare transition.

Rebecca shared the [CCO 2.0 recommendations document](#) that PHAB members worked on over email. Tricia said she still has input on the recommendations. Cara recommended that the PHAB put a hold on making changes until the Oregon Health Policy Board has a charge for PHAB. David shared that the Oregon Health Policy Board will be discussing CCO 2.0 in March and will allow for public comment through September 2018. David emphasized that the PHAB needs to present their CCO 2.0 recommendations as early in the process as possible.



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David recommended that at the February PHAB meeting the PHAB will review and vote to approve CCO 2.0 recommendations. The PHAB will then have the recommendations ready for the Oregon Health Policy Board meeting in March.

Cara walked the board through [the 2018 work plan](#), which includes some important deliverables that the subcommittees will be taking the lead on over the next several months.

Rebecca thanked Jeff for his service as PHAB chair in 2016 and 2017. Jeff did a terrific job onboarding a brand-new board that started with just six months to deliver everything from an interpretation of the public health modernization assessment, to priorities for implementation, to a draft local public health funding formula and report to Legislative Fiscal Office. This was soon followed by the statewide public health modernization plan. Cara presented Jeff with a plaque for his service.

### **Incentives and Funding subcommittee update**

*- Akiko Saito, PHAB member*

Akiko thanked Bob and Carrie for joining the Incentives and Funding subcommittee. Akiko asked the PHAB to review and give feedback on the [proposed public health funding principles](#). The purpose of these principles is to have a clear platform to aid in decision-making as it relates to funding for the public health system.

Muriel noted that rural areas tend to lose funds first when funding is decreased statewide.

Eli asked the PHAB if they should plan a funding formula for scenarios where funding is less than \$10 million per year. Jeff clarified that the funding principles would apply regardless of funding level.

### **Accountability metrics updates**

*-Teri Thalhofer, PHAB member*

*-Myde Boles, Program Design and Evaluation Services*

Teri provided an update from the Accountability Metrics subcommittee, which met for two hours on January 3. Teri highlighted that lack of funding for local public health programs is a huge issue and she would feel more comfortable with the accountability metrics when the system is fully funded.

Myde stated that the PHAB needs to determine whether we have a metric that meets the selection criteria set forth by the committee, and if it is possible to define the unique role of the local public health authority to make improvements in dental visits for 0-5-year-olds. David recommended that dental visits for children ages 0-5 should be incorporated in our CCO 2.0

discussion. Lillian agreed with David and sees this as an opportunity for wider reach. PHAB members discussed the option of tabling the metric but there were concerns that the metric would not be revisited.

Cara presented the PHAB with two options to vote on the dental visits for 0-5-year-olds metric after the PHAB agreed it cannot serve as an accountability measure at this time:

1. Leave it in the baseline accountability metrics report for monitoring only.
2. Remove the measure from the baseline accountability report and instead utilize the State Health Improvement Plan for annual reporting.

Carrie, Muriel, Alejandro, Rebecca, Jeff, Bob, Eli, Teri, Kelle, Akiko, Jennifer, and Eva were in favor of leaving the dental visits for 0-5 year olds measure in the baseline accountability metrics report. Tricia abstained.

Myde reviewed the [effective contraceptives use process measure recommendations](#). Katrina liked option number one because of the language but needs more clarification. Bob said option number two is a process measure not an accountability metric. Tricia expressed concern that LPHAs have not seen the funding formula for the reproductive health Program Element and is concerned that funding will be low.

Bob made a motion to adopt option number one but also calculate and promote option number 2. All in favor.

#### **Public health modernization evaluation plan**

*-Steven Fiala, Program Design and Evaluation Services*

Steven Fiala [reviewed the evaluation process, evaluation questions, and evaluation timeline](#) for modernization grantees and solicited for feedback from the PHAB. Two webinars have been held with the local public health modernization grantees to help develop the evaluation plan.

Jen proposed eliminating evaluation question number two and opening up question number four. Jen emphasized that regionalization is not always a good thing. Jeff made the recommendation to use “cross-jurisdictional” instead of regional.

Eli asked if Steve has run into problems applying the CDC’s static evaluation framework to different grantees. Steve said a mixed methods approach is important in the given timeline.

Steve thanked the PHAB for their feedback and will bring it back to the stakeholder group.

**State Health Improvement Plan updates: obesity and substance use**

*Lisa Millet, Karen Girard, Sue Woodbury, Oregon Health Authority*

Lisa Millet gave an update [on progress in the substance use priority area](#) in Oregon's State Health Improvement Plan.

Jen asked what current research says about the effect of marijuana on alcohol and opioid abuse. Katrina answered that public health is currently tracking trends.

Jeff asked Lisa if we should talk about pain management as a public health issue. Lisa said yes and we may see more movement in therapies to mitigate pain.

Eli asked about disparities in opioid use among Native Americans. Lisa reported that her program is currently trying to develop guidance for those who should probably never take opioids.

Teri noted that most efforts for drug and alcohol prevention in her LPHA are in middle and high school. Teri emphasized that this could be a broader conversation for the early learning and health systems.

Karen Girard and Sue Woodbury gave an update [on progress in the obesity priority area](#) in Oregon's State Health Improvement Plan.

Bob asked how Oregon compares nationally in terms of obesity prevalence. Karen answered that Oregon has the 31<sup>st</sup> highest adult obesity rate in the nation.

Alejandro asked if underlying causes of increasing obesity prevalence have been explored and if there have been any effective interventions. Lillian answered that it takes a lot of policies and PHD is just beginning to map all the policies out. Lillian also highlighted that there have been effective interventions in the UK. Alejandro emphasized that the PHAB should have a good sense of the steps to take in effective interventions. Teri explained that the issue is that the interventions often are focused on individual behavior and not about systemic changes.

Muriel expressed concern that schools are dropping out of the Oregon Healthy Teens survey which means OHA will not have as much data about the health of adolescents. Tricia recommended that the PHAB look at the systems level and talk to CCOs. Eli said that we need to find a way to engage local school districts.

Alejandro asked what data says about implementing a sugary beverage tax. Tricia said there is very limited data around how successful sugary beverage taxes are.

**Public Comment Period**

No public testimony was provided.

**Closing**

The meeting was adjourned.

The next Public Health Advisory Board meeting will be held on:

**February 15, 2018  
2-5 PM  
Portland State Office Building  
800 NE Oregon St Room 1B  
Portland, OR 97232**

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