

PHAB INCENTIVES AND FUNDING SUBCOMMITTEE

Minutes

April 12, 2024, 9:00 am - 10:00 am

Subcommittee members present: Heather Kaisner, Robert Dannenhoffer, Veronica Irvin

Subcommittee members absent: Jackie Leung, Nic Powers

OHA staff present: Andrew Epstein, Steven Fiala, Sara Beaudrault

Review scope of work and planned work

- Subcommittee responsibilities - ORS 431.123
 - See meeting materials for more information.

- Subcommittee timeline
 - PHAB will approve the funding formula at the June 13, 2024 meeting.
 - OHA is required to submit the funding formula to the Legislative Fiscal Office by June 30, 2024.
 - If there are conversations that need to be had following the funding formula deadline, the subcommittee can continue to meet.

- Review changes made to the public health modernization funding formula for LPHAs in 2022
 - There was an increase to the floor funding to total \$400,000 for all LPHAs as long as there is at least \$40 million in public health modernization funding available. Benefits counties with smaller populations.
 - Funding for most LPHA program elements (PE) has not increased over the last few years. Most funding is provided through federal funds.

- Discuss anticipated subcommittee topics in 2024
 - Review and update 2018 methodology to award incentive and matching funds.
 - Can this complicated process be simplified?

- How will this subcommittee consider LPHAs whose counties do not provide monies from the county general fund? Should these counties receive incentive or matching funds?
- Review LPHA feedback on funding formula and discuss changes based on feedback from survey data
 - How are LPHAs using modernization funds? How much is being spent on contractors? Concern shared that small and extra small counties will not provide feedback.
- Discuss guidance for using the funding formula for other public health funding streams (e.g. PE funds), and what is needed to implement guidance.
 - CLHO committees have requested guidance for applying the funding formula, swapping out indicators, and how floor payments can be modified.
- Advise on development of the 2024 Public Health Modernization Funding Report to the Legislative Fiscal Office.
 - Concern shared over how to support small and extra small counties with modernization funds so they don't get left behind.
- Gather information on regional supports incurring through the Conference of Local Health Officials (CLHO) or other entities.
 - A suggestion was made to encourage funding regional rather than county positions in areas such as epidemiology and communicable disease.
 - Consider what other options are available to support shared resources? What are other states doing?

Public Comment

- No public comments were made.

Next meeting agenda items and adjourn

- Incentives and matching funds methodology
- Review LPHA administrator survey feedback