



Wisconsin Division of Public Health

PROGRAM/GROUP: Public Health Council

MEETING TITLE: Public Health Council Meeting

LOCATION: Zoom: <https://dhs.wi.zoomgov.com/j/1618219699?pwd=c2FKWEUrWkkrNjBIRzg2ZEY4NGNVUT09> Meeting ID: 161 821 9699

DATE/ TIME: Friday, February 2, 2023 (Time reserved 9:00am – 1:00pm)

Context: (Purpose, Vision, Mission, Goal):

The primary purpose of the Council is to inform and advise the Governor, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, the Wisconsin State Legislature, and people of Wisconsin on prioritized public health issues important to the needs and wants of the public in a manner that is equitable, inclusive, and responsive to the diversity of the State. This work will include attention and advice on the progress implementing the state’s public health plan and coordination of responses to public health emergencies.

Equity Questions

- Who is left out by this decision or policy?
- Who *should* benefit from this decision or policy? Who *benefits* from this decision or policy?
- What groups are burdened by potential inequities resulting from this decision or policy? Where are these groups located?
- What decisions or policies in other areas impact the effectiveness of this policy in achieving equity? Would this decision or policy impact other decisions or policies being made?
- Were those most impacted included in the decision making process? If not, why not?


Meeting Facilitator: Bill Keeton/ Paula Morgen	Meeting Recorder: Joe Tatar
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Agenda:

Time:	Topic:	Lead:	Notes/Follow-up:
9:00 – 9:10 (10 Minutes)	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roll Call and Public Comment 	Bill Keeton, Chair	<p>Present: Bill Keeton, Alan Schwartzstein, Gary Gilmore, Inshirah Farhoud, Mary Dorn, Eric Krawczyk, Kue Her, Vipul Shukla, Catoya Roberts, Lieske Giese, Paula Morgen, Joan Theurer, Jordan-Lindsay Morris, Bob Leischow, Angeliqwe Lewis, Heather Crowley, Sarah Thryselius, Shary Perez, Oby Nwabuzor, Sandy Brekke, G Lee, Pamela Guthman, Ryan Westergaard, Carmella Brown, Jaime Niedermeier, LaTonya Hughes, Art Serna, Lilli Minor, Angela Nimsgern, Gabrielle Lentz, Brynne McBride, Abravi Sadjji, Jenni Wolfenbarger, Lisa Boughton, Marivel Montejano, Mariana Savela, Corrie Norrbom, Nicole Zernich, Ramona Baldoni-Lake, Sharon Williamson, Afeefah Khan, Benjamin Johnson, Renold JeanLouis, Brittany Fry, Victoria Lammar, Jen Rombalski, Maggie Northrop, Aisha Dogbey, Joe Tatar</p> <p>Absent: Terry Brandenburg</p>




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			 2024 AHS-Flyer-final-Dr.Gilr <p>Dr Gilmore shared information about the 29th Annual Adolescent Health Symposium, which is a virtual event being held by the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, focused on community agency reps, educators, health and human service professionals, health education specialists, school administrators, school psychologists, and youth workers: https://www.uwlax.edu/ex/ahs. A recording will be made and will be shared with the PHC.</p> <p>Lieske Giese also highlighted two hospital facilities closing in the Western Region of the state, which is a crisis in this area with a significant loss in care for adolescents, psychology, rural clinics, gynecological care, etc. This is a moving situation but there is a significant population impact and crisis potential. Lieske expressed concern that this may be a precursor to other areas and suggests that the PHC should have this on its radar.</p>
9:10 – 9:15 (5 Minutes)	Election	Bill Keeton, Chair	<p>Action item: vote</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transition to new Chair, & elect new Secretary <p>Bill Keeton provided updates about changes in the composition of officers to PHC. Terry Brandenburg will be ending his term as Past Chair, and Paula Morgen will be moving to the Chair position. Bill also provided thanks to Joan Theurer for serving again as Secretary.</p> <p>Without a nominee for the Chair-elect position, a motion was moved by Alan Schwartzstein to hold the seat open until a nominee can be identified for a vote at the next meeting. Dr Gilmore provided a second and the motion carries unanimously. For now, the Executive Committee will be reduced to three members until a Chair-elect can be identified.</p>




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			<p>During elections, Bob Leischow gave a statement on his candidacy for the Secretary position, reflecting on his role as a member of the PHC for many years and as a health officer for the City of West Allis Health Department. The PH Council members then completed a vote for Secretary. After vote, Bob Leischow was elected as Secretary. Bill Keeton then stepped into Past Chair role and the new Chair; Paula Morgen led for the remainder of the PHC meeting.</p>
<p>9:15 – 10:20 (65 Minutes)</p>	<p>SHIP Highlight Community Work: MC4JR Grantees Presentations</p>	<p>Maggie Northrop, <i>Support Staff</i> LaTonya Hughes, <i>DHS Staff</i> Lillian Minor, <i>DHS Staff</i></p>	<p>Mobilizing Communities 4 a Just Response (MC4JR) Grantees presented examples of equitable funding at work, as examples of SHIP implementation.</p> <p> MC4JR PHC PowerPoint 2024.pdf</p> <p>To view additional programs and projects, please view this recording.</p> <p>Maggie Northrop began the presentation from MC4JR grantees by providing an introduction to the State Health Plan and the connection to community work by three grantees (City on a Hill, Hmong and Hispanic Communication Network Project, ABC for Health) presenting to the PHC for awareness of what’s happening in the community and what’s being done at the local level in alignment with the SHIP (particularly with regard to social connectedness), with funding from the CDC Health Disparities Grant. LaTonya Hughes (MC4JR Grant Manager) and Lilli Minor (MC4JR Community Liaison) then gave an introduction of the program and the work of the grantees through the CDC HD grant, as well as the purpose of the grant in general. A copy of the slides for this introduction as well as for the grantee presentations is provided above for reference.</p>







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<p>10:20 – 10:50 (30 Minutes)</p>	<p>Q&A + Discussion: Are there opportunities to elevate equitable funding?</p>	<p>Maggie Northrop, <i>Support Staff</i></p>	<p>The groups were divided into breakout rooms where they explored potential areas of action for the PHC to consider.</p>
<p>10:50 – 11:00 (10 Minutes)</p>	<p>Break</p>		
<p>11:00 – 11:30 (30 Minutes)</p>	<p>Discussion and vote: Adopt an action item related to Social Connectedness & Belonging Presentation</p>	<p>Maggie Northrop, <i>Support Staff</i></p>	<p>Following the Deep Dive of the SHIP Priority Area Social Connectedness and Belonging, Council members identified potential action items.</p> <p> Statement for the PHC (Social Connectedness)</p> <p>Maggie Northrop shared a document highlighting a statement for the PHC around social connectedness and potential proposed solutions and recommendations (see above).</p> <p>Questions/recommendations from the PHC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dedicated funding/support for social connectedness efforts • Data related to social connectedness should also be available at smaller jurisdictional levels. • Public health can assist with compiling data and information and can provide experience and subject matter expertise for upstream conditions leading to health outcomes/health disparities. • There is a need to include accountability pieces directed towards PHC, state, and community. • Recommendations to advance social connection and belonging presented ties nicely to discussion earlier on social justice grants, a resolution is needed for this.



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current MCH funds at the local health department level does include social connections as an optional objective—is there a way to leverage that funding for support of this work? There are also many organizations in the APHA that may assist with finding funding and providing insight as well. • Need to be more specific with root cause influencers using evidence and literature. Can also lean on other states for insights here. • Housing and zoning policies also create barriers to connection in an open, very intentional manner. Hoping housing/segregation/racism are part of the conversations. • Social connectedness can be related to built environment. Is public health at the table for city/county planning? We tend to not look at this planning through the entire health lens • Financial investments should be included in the resolution-- how much is already (or not) invested in this area?
<p>11:30 – 12:15 (45 Minutes)</p>	<p>COVID-19 After Action Report & Recommendations</p>	<p>Jaime Niedermeier, <i>PHEP AC Coordinator</i> Mary Dorn, <i>PHEP AC Interim Chair</i></p>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  COVID-19 AAR IP Presentation.pdf </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  PHEP LCWG COVID-19 After-Action </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Recommendations to the Wisconsin Public Health Council </div> </div> <div style="margin-top: 10px;">  2023-10-24 PHEP Advisory Committee Meeting </div> <p>Please review supporting items in Calendar invite (see above)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each Council member will have the opportunity to provide a question, advice, or observation following the After Action Report presentation. • Vote on recommendations provided by PHEP AC <p>Mary Dorn gave a background on the work for the PHEP AC and the efforts to compile—in partnership with a wide range of agencies—an after-action report pertaining to the COVID-19 pandemic response from public health. This After Action Report has also been presented to the PHEPAC which, provided a series of recommendations for the PHC. A copy of all documents related to this are included above.</p>




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			<p>Discussion/recommendations from PHC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is an opportunity to name that there was not a standardized process to do a complete AAR across all agencies and aligning state and local entities to review and come up with next steps. PHC has an opportunity to take a lead in holding government and our elected officials accountable. • Recommendation proposed to put together a resolution.
<p>12:15 – 12:20 (5 Minutes)</p>	<p>Brief Break</p>		
<p>12:20 – 12:50 (30 Minutes)</p>	<p>Committee Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Agenda template • JEDI Committee • Issues Committee/Public Health Nursing Workgroup • PHEP-AC (New Chair) • Membership Committee (Charter is being developed, is there additional interest?) • In Person Meeting (4/5/2024) 	<p>Paula Morgen, <i>Chair</i></p> <p>Aisha Dogbey, <i>Support Staff - JEDI Committee</i></p> <p>Bob Leischow, <i>Issues Committee Chair</i></p> <p>Mary Dorn, <i>PHEP AC Interim Chair</i></p> <p>Aisha Dogbey, <i>Support Staff - Membership Committee</i></p>	<p>Paula Morgen began this section with providing a proposed meeting agenda for upcoming public health council meetings (see above) and welcomed feedback separately.</p> <p>Aisha Dogbey gave updates on the JEDI committee, including highlighting “position descriptions” for possible community members to join this group.</p> <p>Bob Leischow also gave an update on the Issues Committee/Public Health Nursing Workgroup. The group is working on recruiting participants for addressing the PHN issue and have compiled a survey to distribute to compile information about experience on this issue.</p> <p>Membership committee is being formulated. A group (Aisha Dogbey, Joan Theurer, Sarah Thryselius) are starting to meet to charter this subcommittee.</p> <p>Aisha Dogbey also indicated that state staff are organizing logistics for the April in-person meeting. A survey will be going out to PHC councilmembers to capture their perspectives.</p>



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<p>12:50 - 12:55pm (5 Minutes)</p>	<p>Approval of Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12/1 Public Health Council Meeting 	<p>Paula Morgen, <i>Chair</i></p>	<p> 12-01-23 Public Health Council Minute</p> <p>Minutes are attached above and were approved by the Council.</p>
<p>12:55 - 1:00pm (5 Minutes)</p>	<p>Wrap-up and Adjourn</p>	<p>Paula Morgen, <i>Chair</i></p>	<p>Next meeting will be held in-person on April 5, 2024.</p>

Acronyms:

CMO: Chief Medical Officer

DPH: Division of Public Health

DHS: Department of Health Services

JEDI: Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee

MLT: Medical Leadership Team

OPPA: Office of Policy and Practice Alignment

PHAB: Public Health Accreditation Board

PHC: Public Health Council

PHEP AC: Public Health Emergency Preparedness Advisory

SHP: State Health Plan

SHIP: State Health Improvement Plan

WPHA: Wisconsin Public Health Association



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WALHDAB: Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards

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