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**PROGRAM/GROUP:** Public Health Council

**MEETING TITLE:** Public Health Council – Executive Committee Meeting

**LOCATION:** Zoom: <https://dhs.wi.zoomgov.com/j/16062213899?pwd=AulvbTkGK5Ma7n6JCsgCLx3VqHzIEA.1&omn=1604432432> Meeting ID: 160 6221 3899

**DATE/ TIME:** Friday, January 24, 2025 Time Reserved 10:00am – 12:00pm

## 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:** Jordan-Lindsay Morris-Greer



**Meeting Recorder:** Joe Tatar

## Agenda:

Time:	Topic:	Lead:	Notes/Follow-up:
10:00 am	<b>Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Roll Call</li></ul>	<b>Jordan-Lindsay Morris-Greer,</b> <i>Chair-Elect</i>	<b>Present:</b> Jordan-Lindsay Morris-Greer, Bill Keeton, Vipul Shukla, Catoya Roberts, Brittany Fry, Sarah Thryselius, Paula Tran, Ramona Baldoni-Lake, Aisha Dogbey, Jen Rombalski, Joe Tatar <b>Absent:</b> Paula Morgen  Public comment: Given focus on health and public health, it would be great to hear from DPH and the DHS OS to find out what current efforts are & what is planned to be addressed as the new administration rolls out their actions. The PHC can be a partner and advocate, and it would likely be helpful to do so sooner rather than later. For instance, they put a pause on communications (like the MMWR) until February 1 <sup>st</sup> for now and it's hard to know if this will extend or return.



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			<p>Paula Tran indicated what DPH is tracking (can't speak to the OS). DPH is monitoring all actions and what current impacts are being implemented. It's not clear how some of the federal actions affect state-level work at the moment. Happy to discuss further.</p> <p>Members of the executive committee discussed the addition of this item on the agenda for 2/7 for the full council to weigh-in.</p>
<b>10:05 – 11:25</b> (80 minutes)	<b>Executive Committee Business</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Debrief of meeting with DHS Secretary's Office. Any action items?</li><li>2. In person planning</li><li>3. 2/7 meeting agenda</li><li>4. 2024 Annual report</li><li>5. Resolution tracking spreadsheet</li><li>6. Drafted Statement re: Gun violence as PH issue</li><li>7. Next steps/follow up: WPHA/WAHL DAB alignment</li></ol>	<b>Jordan-Lindsay Morris-Greer,</b> <i>Chair-Elect</i>	<div></div> <p>Public Health Council PHC Resolutions 2024 Annual Report.d Tracking Draft.docx</p> <p><b>Debrief from OS Meeting</b></p> <p>The group discussed their thoughts and options moving forward following the discussion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• There appeared to be openness to connect or share in-between the usual quarterly meetings—might we be able to find ways to have shared spaces or meetings to continue to have exposure/opportunity for collaboration, especially around the budget.</li><li>• Appreciation for ability to engage, particularly from Arielle on the legislative and budget pieces. Bill was wondering if the governor's office also has a liaison person that is meant to connect or understand the federal legislature/context and if that is someone with whom we can gather the potential federal/state impacts. There used to be someone in a similar role but it is unclear if they currently have someone in this role at the moment (there has been some turnover).</li><li>• Is there a possibility to get a standing meeting with representation from the governor's office? It is unclear that we are able to facilitate something like that but can check with Karen O and Arielle to determine best approach. When we come into these kinds of conversations, we also should be more proactive with regard to our asks to help be more streamlined and make best use of time.</li></ul>




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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Following the State of the State address and this being the year of the kid, what kinds of things might PHC be able to do that could help align with this?</li><li>• After the February 18 budget release, PHC can review and work to align with priorities identified to help support. However, it would also be best for us to do some planning in even years to help be proactive in seeing how we can get things considered on upcoming budgets.</li><li>• How can PHC be more in the know and be more connected with the governor's office? Aisha indicated she would ask.</li></ul> <p><b>In-Person Planning</b></p> <p>The group discussed some options for consideration of the in-person meeting in April. Jordan indicated she would not be available for that meeting. Question is around where we would like to host our next meeting (location) so that the process of planning for venue, food, etc. can begin.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Do we have the geographical makeup of all councilmembers to see if there is a way for us to find something more central to everything? We do have a list—many of whom are in the southeastern and southern region and some in western. Short in the northern/northeastern region.</li><li>• Since we just had it in Madison, it would probably be best to consider elsewhere. Historically, when we would do two in-person meetings, it would usually alternate between Madison and non-Madison.</li><li>• Prior conversations have raised Madison, however, with potential space at the Black Business Hub and tour of the State Emergency Operations Center.</li><li>• Are we interested in inviting the Secretary to the meeting? We did this last April and it went really well. If we do that, the general area around Milwaukee/SE Region would be appropriate to ease planning and commute for the DHS Secretary.</li><li>• We can also incorporate into the agenda for 2/7 to get thoughts and ideas from the full council as well as ideas of potential places to land for the meeting.</li></ul>
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			<div> Committees of PHC &amp; descriptions 1_2025</div> <p><b>2/7 Meeting Agenda Planning</b></p> <p>Aisha shared some tentative ideas for the agenda, given the possibility of welcoming new members to the council. With this in mind, some of this could be in terms of light onboarding pieces, like identification of structure of the council and the committees (see above), council processes and bylaws, elections, and additional pieces of overview. There is also a possibility to incorporate an open records training with representation from DHS to provide this to fulfill the council training requirement needs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• considering more of a brief overview, refresher (say an hour to an hour and a half) for the “orientation” pieces as most are not new and there will be a separate onboarding session.</li><li>• planning to review and vote on the PHC Annual Report (see above) as part of the agenda as well as overall planning for the work of the PHC in the coming year, especially in relation to the Issues Committee and how to start tackling those issues around the budget as soon as possible. Themes from the in-person conversation in October have been distilled and can be presented at 2/7 meeting for reference and considering.</li><li>• considering having a discussion on themes coming out of the new administration federally and what the PHC might need to consider doing in the space of advocacy, support, action, etc.</li></ul> <p><b>2024 Annual Report (see above)</b></p> <p>Discussion was opened up to provide thoughts/feedback on the annual report as well as to get a motion/approval for taking to the full council for final review/vote. Motion provided by Catoya</p>
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		<p>Roberts with a second from Bill Keeton. Motion carries unanimously.</p> <p><b>Resolution Tracking Spreadsheet (see above)</b></p> <p>Aisha presented the resolution tracking spreadsheet, which includes action from 2019. Feedback was asked about wanting to go back historically to the start of the council. An ask was made to at least include numbers/data on the amount of actions made across the life of the council. Aisha will gather that data and include in the resolutions draft.</p> <p> DRAFT-PHC Gun Violence.docx</p> <p><b>Drafted Statement Regarding Gun Violence (see above)</b></p> <p>Chair elect Jordan presented an initial draft of a position statement from the PHC in relation to gun violence as a public health issue. Jordan indicated that she would also send to the PHC EC members for input as most are seeing this for the first time. The hope would be to have a drafted version that could be included in the PHC agenda. Representatives from the EC will plan to review and provide edits and then would like to consider this as an actionable item on the PHC agenda.</p> <p><b>Alignment with WPHA/WALHDAB Follow-up</b></p> <p>Jordan provided some reminders and context for conversations around aligning with WPHA/WALHDAB and opened for discussion/feedback of potential next steps. Jordan also indicated that an abstract on behalf of the PHC on cross-sector collaborations was submitted to the WPHA/WALHDAB Annual Conference to present the work of the council and invite additional partner collaboration/engagement.</p>
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<b>11:25 – 11:50</b> (25 minutes)	<b>Updates:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Issues Committee</li><li>2. PHEP AC</li><li>3. SHIP Updates Committee</li><li>4. Membership Committee</li></ol>	<b>Lieske Giese, Co-Chair</b> <b>Vipul Shukla, Co-Chair</b> <b>Brittany Fry, PHEP AC Chair</b> <b>Maggie Northrop, State Health Plan Team/ Support Staff</b> <b>Aisha Dogbey, Support Staff</b>	<b>Issues Committee Update</b> <p>Vipul provided background on what has happened in the last meeting of the PHC Issues Committee in terms of compiling of themes from the October PHC meeting to identify issues of focus (much in terms of SDoH). These themes will also be shared at the 2/7 meeting. Additionally, listening sessions on the PH Nursing Resolutions were held by that workgroup to elicit discussion and feedback on what was shared. Lots of positive feedback on the resolutions and the actionability of the PHC were provided. Many of the partners were interested in future collaboration in work like this any beyond. Another listening session will be held on 1/30.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What types of organizations were represented? Many representatives from local and Tribal health departments. Also, quite a few representatives from academic institutions.</li></ul> <b>PHEPAC Update</b> <p>Brittany Fry gave updates on what has been happening within the PHEPAC space. There hasn't been a new meeting of the PHEPAC since the last EC meeting. PHEPAC is planning an in-person meeting in Wood County to do strategic planning on 3/17. At the next meeting (in February), the group will determine what it means to "advise" on public health emergencies and what the role of the PHC should/could. The group will compile thoughts and bring back to the PHC. Aisha also offered to join the PHEPAC meeting to provide input on what has been shared in various PHC spaces that might help inform the conversation. Ramona Baldoni-Lake also shared a resource on the State Disaster Medical Advisory Committee with the group: <a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/sdmac/index.htm">https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/sdmac/index.htm</a>.</p> <b>SHP Committee Updates</b> <p>Joe Tatar provided updates on the progress of the building of the SHP Committee. Following approval of the SHP Committee by the PHC, Maggie Northrop and the DHS SHP team have been working to</p>
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			<p>build a group of folks to help vision/build the charter for this group to mixed success with representation from PHC members or incoming PHC candidates. Maggie is working to get representation from all components of the PHC representation to provide input on this charter with the hope of having a draft ready by the PHC meeting in April.</p> <p><b>Membership Committee Updates</b></p> <p>Sarah Thryselius also provided updates on the work of the Membership Committee. A lot of the efforts have been focused on building in the onboarding process for the incoming members that can help inform our regular onboarding process for any new incoming members. Additionally, the group has been discussing refresher and update training/information to help keep the full council fresh on all the processes and components of the SHIP.</p>
<b>11:50 – 12:00pm</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Adjourn</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Approval of Meeting Minutes</li></ul>	<b>Jordan-Lindsay Morris-Greer,</b> <i>Chair-Elect</i>	 12-20-24 PHC Exe Committee Minutes.docx  Motion to approve minutes provided by Bill and seconded by Catoya. Motion to approve carried unanimously.

**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

**OPEHC:** Office of Preparedness and Emergency Health Care

**PHAB:** Public Health Accreditation Board

**PHC:** Public Health Council



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**PHEP AC:** Public Health Emergency Preparedness Advisory

**SHP:** State Health Plan

**SHIP:** State Health Improvement Plan

**WPHA:** Wisconsin Public Health Association

**WALHDAB:** Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards

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