

Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB)
November 17, 2016
Portland, OR
Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Board members present: Carrie Brogoitti (by phone), Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown (by phone), Silas Halloran-Steiner (by phone), Katrina Hedberg, Safina Koreishi (by phone), Jeff Luck, Alejandro Qeral (by phone), Eva Rippeteau, Akiko Saito, Eli Schwarz, Lillian Shirley, Teri Thalhofer (by phone), Tricia Tillman, and Jennifer Vines

Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Public Health Division (PHD) staff: Sara

Beaudrault, Myde Boles, Rosa Klein, Tim Noe, Britt Parrott, Angela Rowland

Members of the public: Morgan Cowling, Coalition of Local Health Officials; Jan Johnson, The Lund Report

Changes to the Agenda & Announcements

There were no changes to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

A quorum was present. The Board unanimously voted to approve the edited October 20, 2016 minutes.

Updates

-Morgan Cowling, Coalition of Local Health Officials (CLHO)

Morgan provided an update on the Aligning Innovative Models for Health Improvements in Oregon (AIMHI) meetings that the Coalition of Local Health Officials (CLHO) is holding across the state. All meetings have been scheduled with two meetings already held. Five of the ten meetings are in January 2017. After all of the meetings have been held the consultants will provide meeting summaries to help determine any themes. Please visit: <http://oregonclho.org/public-health-issues/aimhi-meetings/> for more information and to register. Jeff requested that PHAB receive an update once the final meeting summary is available.



-Sara Beaudrault, Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Sara provided an update from the Public Health National Center for Innovations (PHNCI) meeting held on November 10-11, 2016 in Alexandria, VA.

Representatives from state and local public health in Oregon, Washington and Oregon come together twice annually for learning collaboratives to discuss our work toward implementing the foundational public health services model. This meeting focused on communications, cross jurisdictional sharing and accountability.

Post-election discussion

There is currently no information regarding the funding for public health modernization after failed ballot measure 97. The Governor's recommended budget will be released on December 1, 2016.

Tricia commented that this election cycle in public health affects health equity, inclusion, and belonging. The Board should encourage Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Public Health Division (PHD), and all public health leaders to take a stand when public discourse marginalizes whole communities. As public health officials we stand against intolerance in our workforce, community, policy and practices. Public health leaders will not tolerate any public discourse that is hazardous to health.

Tricia moved that the Board recommend and advise that Oregon Health Authority (OHA) make a public statement about the potential negative health impact of negative public discourse resulting from of the election as it relates to health equity. All in favor.

Katrina stated that the Affordable Care Act impact is unknown post-election. We know that funding an adequate public health system is important, and we need to focus modernization work to move forward, even with uncertain funding.

Eva commented the Board should request to have impact laid out with revenue vs. budget cuts. She recommends to be clear with what could have been done with those funds. Alejandro suggests the Board cannot make a statement along



those lines as an advisory board as it is unknown where those funds would be allocated.

Subcommittee reports

-Eli Schwarz, Accountability Metrics subcommittee member

The subcommittee met on October 27, 2016 and November 15, 2016. Eli explained how the subcommittee established their measure criteria. The Coalition of Local Health Officials (CLHO) committees have volunteered to make recommendations to the PHAB subcommittee on measures for three domains: communicable disease, environmental health, and emergency preparedness. They will recommend measures for review by the PHAB subcommittee at its Dec 6, 2016 meeting.

The subcommittee focused on health equity and public health system change measures at their Nov 15 meeting.

Eli commented that the Technical Assistance Group (TAG) for the Metrics and Scoring committee ensures that the committee doesn't get bogged down in technical issues. Eli suggest that the CLHO committees could be parallel with the Technical Assistance Group. That structure provides a broader perspective and technical expertise.

Eli also commented that the Oregon Health Authority Health Evidence Review Commission (HERC) is incorporating multi-sector interventions into the prioritized list for CCOs. They have looked at tobacco and obesity. This could be an opportunity to expand collaborations between CCO public health agency models.

Action Item: Check with Cat Livingston, *HERC*.

Jen inquired how many measures per area should be selected. The subcommittee has been choosing three.

Teri noted that deliverables need to be to scale with what the state can accomplish with available funding.

Eva commented that the Public Health Modernization Manual serves as a starting point for the health equity lens and can be used as a guide as it provides guiding principles around equity across all areas.

Action Item: Sara to email pages 20-27 of the Public Health Modernization Manual to the Board.

The subcommittee will bring specific recommendations to the PHAB at the next meeting. Teri mentioned there is a spreadsheet of current measures up for consideration. It was suggested to find a way to create metrics on what public health is already doing.

Jen asked how metrics are tied to incentives. She noted that selecting some areas for incentives can cause tunnel vision and the Board should think through potential implications once metrics become tied to incentives.

-Akiko Saito, Incentives and Funding subcommittee member

Akiko provided an overview of the Incentives and Funding subcommittee meeting that was held on November 8, 2016. She stated that the subcommittee would like to hold a joint meeting with the Accountability Metrics subcommittee or have a member of each subcommittee go to the other meeting.

The subcommittee will work to explore the U.S. Census Bureau supplemental poverty measures. If they are reported at the county level, they will bring county rates to the December subcommittee meeting to compare with income inequality.

Subcommittee members questioned whether the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System is an adequate data source for health status. The consensus was that it does not adequately reflect all communities in Oregon. Subcommittee members and OHA staff will work to identify alternative data sources for the health status indicator over the coming months.

Akiko reviewed the funding formula overview that will be included in the statewide modernization plan. The subcommittee focused on the base formula

but plan to focus on performance based incentives for the next biennium budget. There is a desire to have health equity woven into everything the subcommittee does.

The subcommittee has approved additional indicators – race/ethnicity diversity, poverty and English language proficiency – to those that are required in HB 3100. Tricia commented that limited English proficiency poses a cost due to productivity, interpretation, or translation as potential civil rights issues.

Chris Curtis, OHA PHD staff member, reviewed the methodology for the funding formula. The subcommittee would like to recommend Model 1, Variation 2 displaying a tiered base with all five indicators tied to county population. The model shown is an example for an investment of \$10 million. Larger counties receive more dollars but smaller counties receive higher per capita dollars, which is consistent with gaps in the modernization assessment. There are excel spreadsheets on the PHAB website where different models could be tested. The funding formula excel spreadsheet models are found here:

<http://public.health.oregon.gov/About/Pages/ophab.aspx#funding>

Jen asked if this funding formula incentivizes specific models or efficiencies for foundational public health services in the state.

Tricia answered that the subcommittee looked at the funding formula from the five indicators first and will address state matching funds and incentives in 2017. The group has talked about how to incentivize cross-jurisdictional sharing to increase efficiencies. There were inherent challenges for match dollars with a huge inequity in match dollars across counties.

Action Item: The Incentives and Funding subcommittee requests the Board look at the key aspects of the formula, indicators, floor, and how they all fit together. Each Board member should reach out to the health administrators in the counties they represent to provide feedback for the statewide modernization plan.

Review draft statewide public health modernization plan

-Sara Beaudrault, Oregon Health Authority

HB3100 requires a statewide modernization plan. The statewide modernization plan will be completed by the end of 2016. It will be built upon the report to legislative fiscal office and will demonstrate how public health modernization will be scaled up over the next 10 years.

The Public Health Division requests feedback from PHAB members on the report and specifically on the roadmap section. The roadmap contains the strategies the public health system will employ to get to a modern system.

Board members made the following suggestions:

- Do not begin with improved health outcomes. The outcomes should be tied to strategies and the strategies tied to accountability metrics.
- Remove “elimination of disparities” as a health outcome. Remove the word “equitable” in outcome 2.
- Consider adding a graphic that displays how the state and local health departments could benefit each other. There is a concern of lack of communication regarding the investment not covering the priorities. There is a need to explain the phase in over time, and not just priorities over periods of time, but also how currently those are funded. Display how the work will be measured and tracked over time.

HB3100 does not require any official vote by PHAB, but PHD would like the PHAB and CLHO to support.

Next Steps:

Sara will send out an updated version to the Board on November 18th. There will be a two week window to review and email revisions to Sara by December 5th. The PHAB will discuss this plan at the Dec 15th PHAB meeting. The statewide modernization plan will be brought forward to the Oregon Health Policy Board Retreat in January 2017.

Public Comment Period

No public comments were made in person or on the phone.



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Closing

The meeting was adjourned.

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

**December 15, 2016
2:30pm – 5:30 p.m.
Portland State Office Building
800 NE Oregon St., Room 1E
Portland, OR 97232**

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