



## PUBLIC HEALTH

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### Board of Health

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## JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

April 17, 2019

### MEETING MINUTES

4:00 pm

**Call to Order:** Peter D. Wallace, MD, MS, called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

**Roll Call:** Peter D. Wallace, MD, MS; Michael P. McLaughlin, PhD; Bonnie D. Rubin, CLS, MBA, MHA; Zachary Pollock, PharmD, MS. ABSENT: Tatiana Izakovic, MD, MHA

**Staff:** Dave Koch, Director; Kristin Meyer, Business Manager; Nalo Johnson, Community Health Manager; Kate Klefstad, Clinical Services Manager; Sonja Bammert, Oral Health Coordinator; Jake Riley, Disease Prevention Specialist; Susan Denny, Secretary II.

**Others Present:** Susie Nehring, Assistant County Attorney; Dr. Karin Weber-Gasparoni, University of Iowa College of Dentistry, Head of Pediatric Dentistry.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Rubin to approve the March 13, 2019 meeting minutes; seconded by McLaughlin. The motion passed unanimously.

**Next Regular Meeting Date and Time:** May 15, 2019 in Conference Room 214B at the Health and Human Services Building.

**Citizen Comments / Questions / Issues:** None

**Introductions:** Klefstad introduced new staff member Sonja Bammert, RDH, Oral Health Coordinator in Clinical Services. Koch introduced Kristin Meyer, Business Manager in Administration. BOH members welcomed the new staff.

### DISCUSSION / PRESENTATION(S):

- **College of Dentistry, Oral Health:** Dr. Weber-Gasparoni, Director, Infant Oral Health Program Dr. Weber-Gasparoni shared the background of the collaboration between the College of Dentistry and JCPH, especially the Infant Oral Health Program. She gave an overview and history and stressed the importance of the program for vulnerable and high risk infants and children. Dr. Weber-Gasparoni explained prevention as a primary goal before serious oral health issues develop. She explained how these issues cause pain, which presents sleep issues, eating difficulties, cognitive development issues and medical

problems. She stressed the severity of oral health issues that can result in serious medical emergencies or even death, citing several cases and their consequences. Dr. Weber-Gasparoni is working towards increasing pediatric dental intervention to make a difference in these populations. Discussion followed regarding nutrition, reimbursement and prevention issues in pediatric dentistry.

- **Communicable Disease:** Jake Riley, Disease Prevention Specialist (DPS)

Riley presented the BOH members with an overview of the JCPH Community Health Division Communicable Disease Prevention and Control program and highlighted new developments. The program emphasizes two main areas; communicable disease follow-ups and investigation for any reported diseases and tuberculosis cases, both latent and active. He explained the treatment plans for these two areas. At this time of year, cases of animal bites and risk of rabies infections are also included in follow-ups and investigations. Riley outlined the protocol followed for these cases and also immunizations and perinatal Hepatitis-B. He added this program works with JCPH Emergency Preparedness Planner Sam Jarvis for disease related preparedness plans as well. Other projects DPS staff are involved in include: school immunization audit programming, an outbreak toolkit and Video DOT program; to monitor active cases of TB for treatment compliance. Riley described the three additional areas and how DPS staff work with students and interns to streamline these projects. BOH members discussed compliance with immunizations, outbreak toolkits and sharing information and reporting methods of animal bite cases.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

##### **Expenditures over \$3,000:**

- **19-13 Additional Wall in Clinical Services:** D. Koch

Koch informed the BOH members of the need to add an additional wall to accommodate new staff. The wall will be installed in a current double office. The cost of the project was slightly over \$3,000.

**Motion** by Rubin to approve expenditure to for the additional office wall in Clinical Services; seconded by Pollock. The motion passed unanimously.

##### **Applications, Contracts and Agreements:**

- **19-12 Immunization Grant:** K. Klefstad

Klefstad summarized the purpose of the grant to provide funding for the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program which serves underinsured, Medicaid, uninsured or Native American/Alaskan native children through 18 years of age.

**Motion** by McLaughlin to approve submission of the Annual Immunization Grant; seconded by Rubin. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **OTHER**

- **19-13 Spring FY19 Budget Amendment:** D. Koch

Koch explained the adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2019 Spring Budget. The proposed amendment represented a net increase of \$79,777 in both expenditures and revenues (Tobacco \$5,903, Dental Sealants \$3,700, Title XIX Fee for Maternal and Child Health of \$8,595, WIC of \$58,579, HIV/HCV donation of \$3,000). He added there are no additional local tax dollars being requested from the County. Koch described the adjustments and reasons for the adjustments in more detail to the BOH members, including a donation of ticket sales to JCPH Community Health HIV program from a University of Iowa event (Walkabout). Discussion followed.

**Motion** by Rubin to accept the FY19 Spring Budget Amendment; seconded by Pollock. The motion passed unanimously.

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• **Legislative Updates:** D. Koch

Koch updated BOH members on current legislative events and asked members to inform him of other bills they would like him to monitor. Koch will update the BOH on legislative changes. Discussion followed regarding several of the bills being considered.

**Reports / Inquiries:**

**County Attorney:** Nehring is hoping to complete an open records policy for JCPH for the May meeting.

**Members, Board of Health:** Rubin formally congratulated JCPH for achieving PHAB accreditation on behalf of the entire Board of Health. She also complimented staff handling JCPH Facebook social media posts. She also reported a health alert regarding the first confirmed measles case in Iowa. Rubin proposed the BOH develop a position statement addressing the positive impact of early childhood oral care for consideration.

Pollock asked if JCPH is tracking amendments for food labels, specifically sugary drinks and food in relation to obesity issues.

McLaughlin reported attending the National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH) conference in Washington DC in March. He attended meetings with Representative Loeb's office and Senators Ernst and Grassley's representatives.

Wallace reported attending the JCPH Strategic Planning session with the JCPH Management Team.

Rubin and Wallace as well as nine JCPH staff will be attending the Governor's Conference.

**Director:**

Koch reported on School Immunization rates.

James Lacina gave testimony in a 2012 Pool inspection issue involving an injury. Nehring commented she was unable to attend the testimony due to a conflict.

Koch reported Klefstad has signed MCO's with Iowa Total Care.

Rubin asked if Klefstad was experiencing problems in payment processing with the MCO's. Klefstad responded there were some issues with reimbursements for adult immunizations that she expects will be resolved when the Data Specialist position in Clinical Services is filled. Koch informed BOH members a background check is in process and they hope to make an offer to an applicant soon.

Koch is expecting to present a draft of the Strategic Plan to the BOH members in the May meeting and a final draft for approval at the June meeting. JCPH would like to kick-off the new Strategic Plan in house on July 1<sup>st</sup>

Wallace adjourned the meeting at 5:08 pm.

Approved by Board of Health Action on

May 15, 2019

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Date

Signature on File

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Peter D. Wallace, MD, MS, Chair

Submitted by:  
Susan Denny  
Secretary II