



PUBLIC HEALTH

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JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Wednesday June 17, 2026

MEETING MINUTES

4:00 pm

Call to Order: Melanie Wellington, MD, PhD called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm.

Roll Call: Melanie Wellington, MD, PhD; Peter D. Wallace, MD, MS; Joni Bosch, PhD, ARNP; Michelle Weckmann, MS, MD

Staff: Danielle Pettit-Majewski, Director; Sam Jarvis, Community Health Manager; Rob Thul, Environmental Health Manager; Matthew Waldschmidt, Fiscal Manager; Roberta Sloat, Clinical Services Manager; Alissa Sotzen, Grants Analyst; Tuesdai Kemp, Secretary II; Hianca Andrades, Maternal Child and Adolescent Health Coordinator; Emily Janssen, Clinical Services Coordinator; Sydney Wagner, Clerk II; Josie Dalton, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

Others Present: Nathan Peters, Assistant County Attorney

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Bosch to approve Wednesday May 20, 2026, meeting minutes; seconded by Wallace. The motion passed unanimously.

Next Regular Meeting Date and Time: Wednesday August 19, 2026, in Conference Room 203 at 4:00 pm in the Health and Human Services Building.

Citizen Comments / Questions / Issues: None

Staff Updates: Sydney Wagner, Clerk II started in Clinical Services May 18, 2026; Josie Dalton, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator start in Community Health May 26, 2026. Mathe Nelson, Clerk II in clinical services has resigned effective July 1st, 2026.

Staff Shoutout: Wellington stated it would be a good idea to start looking at our Herald newsletters and packets for recognition that's listed therein as well as receiving a name and description of recognition for those that are not in newsletter and packets.

Financial Update: None

PRESENTATION(S):

- **Maternal Child and Adolescent Health Update:** Andrades and Janssen spoke on updates within maternal, child and adolescent health as well as the staff who work with the cliental. They presented how Clinical Services staff work by informing clients of their WIC and Medicaid benefits as well as educating families about what services WIC provides and what is available in the community. They also went over how many lead testing and immunizations are done monthly and how those numbers continue to rise. They also stated how WIC is working with Social Services to purchase car seats. Janssen stated WIC helps family's car seat distribution and installation as well as educating on car seat safety for all ages, stroller distribution, pack and play distribution along with safe sleep. They next spoke on maternal health and what WIC has to offer pre- and post-partum as far as education, screenings, care and supplies. With that, WIC promotes breast feeding education and support and healthy food programs. Breast feeding classes have been successful and they will have their next available class in September.

ACTION ITEMS

Expenditures Over \$3,000: None

Applications, Contracts and Agreements: None

OTHER:

- **RFA 26-11 JoCo Handbook Approval** – Wellington reported Johnson County HR is wanting to change 80% of the handbook and then present it to the Board of Supervisors within 4-6 weeks. Wellington is wanting to look at the sick leave policy and potentially speak with some human resource experts regarding this change. This item will be tabled until the handbook is finished being revised.
- **Public Health Alignment:** Pettit-Majewski reported on meeting within our district to see who is interested in being the lead entity as well as what everyone is capable of. She also stated a lot of counties have been concerned regarding the lead entities taking on MCAH, but the collaborative service areas will be staying about the same size, which has been working well. She also reported herself, and Waldschmidt met with our ancillary departments and what that workflow will look like in the future but will know more after the RFP is out in the middle of August.
- **PWG Update:** Thul presented on the PWG program along with the grant activity. Thul and Pettit-Majewski worked with the program to request an additional reallocation of funds, which was approved and allows the environmental health staff continue their hard work. He also stated the community is becoming more aware and reaching out for well water testing.
- **Environmental Health Coverage for Cedar County:** Thul presented on Johnson County assisting Cedar County for pool and spas inspections as well as inspections for tattoo shops as they do not have the capacity to do so. Pettit-Majewski reported we would potentially assist

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for a year and then assess whether this plan was achievable or not practical. The idea is to use our own staffing as a few are cross trained.

Reports / Inquiries:

County Attorney: None

Members, Board of Health: None

Director: Pettit-Majewski presented staff updates and the barriers with dental care needs. She stated River Hills is closing their dental clinic July 31, 2026. Becky Hackett-Leas, Sloat and Pettit-Majewski met with some elected officials, Pettit-Majewski's counterpart from Polk County and a few others from the Iowa Primary Care Association to discuss possible legislation to improve access to dental care. Mary Kelly, who works with Iowa Primary Care Association, has been a great advocate and has been working along with us to find a solution. Pettit-Majewski also reported Clinical Services will be advertising for 2026 Back to School, immunizations and dental appointments available to school age children, which will be held in mid-August. She also stated Holly Cummings and herself are working on revamping the workforce development plan with more to come in August.

Wellington adjourned the meeting at 5:25 pm.

Approved by Board of Health Action on

08/19/2026

Date

Signature on File

Melanie Wellington, MD, PhD, Chair

Submitted by:
Tuesdai Kemp
Secretary II