MINUTES OF: Public Health Advisory Committee Meeting DATE: Thursday, February 8, 2018

TIME: 8:00am-9:15am

LOCATION: Health & Human Services Building, Public Health Center Room 1001

Members Present: Kerri Ackerman, Waukesha Sixteenth Street Community Health Center; Mary Baer, Citizen Member; Dr. Marshall Jennison, Citizen Member; Jessica Kadow, ProHealth Care Community Outreach Hispanic Health Resource Center; JoAnn Weidmann, Citizen Member

Members Absent: Dr. Steven Andrews, Waukesha County Medical Society; Dr. Ross Clay, Citizen Member

Ex Officio Members Present: Theresa Imp, Waukesha County Public Health Division, Family & Community Health Supervisor; Ben Jones, Waukesha County Public Health Division, Health Officer / Interim Manager; Liz Laatsch, Waukesha County Public Health Division, CD Supervisor; Trista Neary, Waukesha County Public Health Division, Administrative Specialist; Mary Smith, Aging & Disability Resource Center of Waukesha County, Manager; Sarah Ward, Waukesha County Environmental Health Division, Manager

Ex Officio Members Absent: Mary Jo Hamman, Waukesha County Public Health Division, WIC Supervisor

Guest: Laura Kleber, Waukesha County Health & Human Services, Deputy Director

| AGENDA | TOPICS | DISCUSSION | ACTION ITEMS | DATE DUE |
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| Call to Order | | Chair Dr. Marshall Jennison called the meeting to order at 8:02am | | |
| Approval of Minutes | | MOTION: JoAnn Weidmann moved, second by Kerri Ackerman to approve the minutes from January 11, 2018. Motion carried 5-0. | | |
| Advisory Committee | Unmet Needs Presentation | Unmet needs presentations will be on Thursday, March 22, 2018. Presentation time for the Public Health Advisory Committee is 2:05pm, with a 40 minute allotment. Presentation must be led by outside committee members, Waukesha County staff is able to assist with technical specifics. Focus should include general Public Health needs, defining what is needed and where the gaps in service are. Dr. Jennison would like to include the influenza epidemic and lack of Public Health staff at the needs presentation. | | |
| | | HHS Deputy Director Laura Kleber informs the committee to present unmet needs with data and statistics. She encourages the group to include both what is needed and why, while also informing the board what needs have increased and how what we are doing is going to help the economic development of Waukesha County. Presenting in policy format would be beneficial. | | |
| | | Group will meet on Tuesday, February 13 for an unmet needs planning session. HHS Room #1001 from 12:00pm – 2:00pm. Ben will provide technical assistance from 1:00pm – 2:00pm. | | |
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| Committee Reports | Health & Human Services Board | Laura Kleber shares that HHS Director Antwayne Robertson has been in communication with HHS Board Chair Chuck Wood regarding a Board Liaison for the Public Health Advisory Committee. There has been no volunteers, discussion has included the possibility of appointment of a liaison. Topic will be revisited at the next HHS Board meeting on Thursday, February 15. | |
| | Environmental Health Division – Sarah Ward | The Environmental Health Division is currently working with Corporate Council on a large number of legal requests for bite reports within the county. Information shared will be limited to incident and owner, not specific to the victim. | |
| | | The family of a child exposed to high lead level in a Oconomowoc rental property has involved legal representation for filing a suit against the property owner. Property owner has since been cooperative with requests. | |
| | | Sarah would like to invite one of the County Sanitarians to a committee meeting to report on a grant study involving school water lead testing. | |
| | | Licensing for convenience stores was previously based on sales, will now be based on risk of low / moderate / high similar to restaurant ratings. | |
| | Aging & Disability Resource Center – Mary Smith | ADRC has been busy wrapping up grant funding for 2017 and looking at reallocating grant funds for 2019. Grant fund allocation is based on poverty and minority which Waukesha County is low in. | |
| | | Dementia Crisis Response grant is moving forward, steering committee for this has been meeting monthly. | |
| | | Work is being done on the "Find a Ride" initiative in Waukesha County with a focus on access to medical care and looking at access to the global community rather than having municipality limits. Waukesha County currently lacks in having transportation providers. The program has already been initiated in Menomonee Falls due to having no taxi services available. | |

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| Public Health Division Reports | Interim Manager / Health Officer - Ben Jones | Laura informs that Ben Jones has been named the Interim Public Health Manager, effective February 6, 2018. Ben updates that CHIPP action teams have been progressing well. There are individuals with lived experiences included on the committees of each priority and being involved in the planning process. The mental health action team has picked their focus topic of suicide. The physical nutrition and health action team has also had a number of productive meetings. The opioid action team has merged with the Waukesha County Heroin Task Force Steering Committee to utilize the skill and ability of those already invested and committed to the priority. They are working on establishing cross-cutting goals to help provide the framework of what each pillar group is working on. There has been an aggressive timeline set for implementation. Plans from each action team are due in July 2018 with implementation to begin in early Fall, allowing for adequate time to see benefits reached. Dr. Jennison inquires about the improvement in the opioid epidemic thus far. Ben shares that at the most recent Heroin Task Force Steering Committee meeting, the group went through a significant amount of data, initiating a response to grasp what is happening in our community and where the needs are. Laura states the Steering Committee will use measurable events to guide the process and develop an action plan. Ben gives an update on staffing. There is a posting for two public health nurses. One for Family & Community Health and one for Communicable Disease. Division management is actively working on developing lead worker positions for each team. Ben gave an overview of the Public Health Annual Report draft. | |
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| | Communicable Disease – Liz Laatsch | Liz informs that Influenza is increasing in our region with 246 hospitalization cases investigated to date. 80% of these cases were individuals age 65 or older and the predominant strain has been Influenza A. No pediatric deaths in Waukesha County or Wisconsin. There is currently a virus circulating with symptoms of Mumps, 26 suspect cases have been investigated so far, all have been ruled out. State of Wisconsin did send notice that there has been a correlation between Influenza cases with Parotitis symptoms. Long term care facility outbreaks include 21 acute respiratory and 13 GI related. There are currently four active TB cases being managed. One is medically complicated with a variety of other health concerns. One suspect Measles case was investigated this week. A 47 year old male with a classic rash pattern. He did report to the ER. No known exposure, no recent travel, minor upper respiratory symptoms. | |

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| | Family & Community Health – Theresa Imp | Labs were drawn and results were negative. Measles exposure does require quarantine from days 7-21. Theresa reports that there has been an increase in pregnancy and child health cases due to lack of both general and mental health support and increased medical problems. Several area physicians have contacted and inquiries have increased regarding our process with elevated lead results. Wisconsin mandates follow up for levels ≥10ug/dL, Waukesha County investigates for any levels ≥5ug/dL. Lead results are accessible to physicians and healthcare providers through the Wisconsin Immunization Registry (WIR), which can eliminate unnecessary or additional testing. | |
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| | WIC – Mary Jo Hamman | No Update | |
| Walk-In Items | Accreditation | Laura Kleber shares that accreditation continues to be looked at while using best practice standards for guidance in our programming. Right now Wisconsin is not mandating accreditation, it is viewed as financially unattainable by many smaller counties. Initial cost for accreditation is \$30,000 with additional expense of \$7,500 each follow up year. Wisconsin leads nationally in the number of accredited health departments and as we move forward, our programs are being developed to actively implement the best practice standards required to better prepare us for if and when accreditation becomes mandatory. | |
| | Closed POD Expansion | Ben informs there is work being done on Closed POD expansion, including the development of a tool kit to assist in preparedness and surge capacity concerns. There is an exercise / event scheduled for June where interested companies or organizations can attend to learn more about the process. | |
| Next Meeting | | Thursday, March 8, 2018 | |
| Adjournment | | 9:43am | |

Minutes Approved On: 4/19/2018 Minutes by: Trista Neary