

OPEN MEETING MINUTES
Waukesha County
Public Health Advisory Committee
Thursday, August 10, 2023
Health and Human Services Building, Room 114

Present Committee Members: Froedtert Health (Andrew Dresang, Chair), ProHealth Care Hispanic Health Resource Center (Jessica Kadow, Vice Chair), ProHealth Care (Sarah Butz), Betty Koepsel, Lake Area Free Clinic (Mary Reich), Luann Ladwig

Absent Committee Members: Aurora Medical Center, Sixteenth Street Community Health Center (Liz Kirsch)

Present HHS Board Liaisons: Mary Baer

Present HHS Staff Liaisons: Ben Jones, Elizabeth Laatsch, Theresa Imp, Sarah Ward, Frances Thomas, Bridget Gnad

Absent HHS Staff Liaisons: Lisa Kwiat, Gabrielle Manders, Mary Jo Hamman

Guests: Tristin Bruno

1. Call to Order

Chair Dresang called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Attendees introduced themselves.

2. Review and Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Reich moved, second by Koepsel, to approve the Public Health Advisory Committee minutes from May 11, 2023. Motion passed without negative vote.

3. Committee Business

A. Elections (Term: September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024)

i. Chair

MOTION: Butz moved, second by Koepsel to approve the re-election of Dresang to his fourth term as Public Health Advisory Committee Chair for the term of September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024. Motion passed without negative vote.

ii. Vice Chair

MOTION: Reich moved, second by Ladwig to approve election of Butz to her first term as Public Health Advisory Committee Vice Chair for the term of September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024. Motion passed without negative vote.

B. Discuss and Consider – Membership Reappointments (Term: September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2026)

i. Froedtert Health (Provider)

MOTION: Ladwig moved, second by Kadow to approve the re-election of Froedtert Health as Public Health Advisory Committee Provider member for the term of September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2026. Motion passed without negative vote.

ii. **Lake Area Free Clinic (Provider)**

MOTION: Ladwig moved, second by Kadow to approve the re-election of Lake Area Free Clinic as Public Health Advisory Committee Provider member for the term of September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2026. Motion passed without negative vote.

iii. **ProHealth Care (Provider)**

MOTION: Ladwig moved, second by Kadow to approve the re-election of ProHealth Care as Public Health Advisory Committee Provider member for the term of September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2026. Motion passed without negative vote.

iv. **Betty Koepsel (Citizen)**

MOTION: Ladwig moved, second by Kadow to approve the re-election of Betty Koepsel as Public Health Advisory Committee Citizen member for the term of September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2026. Motion passed without negative vote.

4. **Community Needs Presentation Summary – Liz Aldred**

Aldred shared a presentation titled “2023 Community Needs Assessment.”

5. **Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) Update**

Jones shared that the Action Teams are progressing through the first year’s tasks. Public Health has obtained the Clear Impact software to help organize their progression.

6. **Committee and Organizational Updates**

A. **Health and Human Services Board**

Baer discussed the upcoming Health and Human Services (HHS) Public Hearing on August 17 in which community needs will be publicly presented.

Overdose Aid Kits (OAK boxes) are being distributed to the community; prescriptions are no longer required in order to stock fentanyl test strips.

The 2022 Community Health Assessment and 2022 Waukesha County Public Health Annual Report are available in printed form as well as online. These documents provide the details that lead to identification of Waukesha County’s priority health issues: Mental Health, Substance Use, and Healthy Aging. Addressing these issues is the focus of the current Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) cycle. Action Teams are focusing on data-driven programming to find the most efficient and effective use of potential funding opportunities.

B. **Environmental Health Division**

Ward discussed the wrap up of Environmental Health’s 2023 licensing renewals which have leveled out since recent license request increases.

Recent water testing results revealed four communities where public notice to sanitize water before use will need to be sent. Environmental Health is working with these communities to identify the source of the problem.

The free water lead testing program for childcare centers is underway, but out of 35 providers, there have been only three enrolled centers to complete the

program; two enrolled but backed out. Environmental Health is researching the cause of underutilization and discussing options for better marketing of the testing and remediation services.

C. Emergency Preparedness

Gnadt shared that the Republican National Convention (RNC) planning has begun. The RNC will be held July 15-18, 2024. Approximately 50,000 people are expected to participate, including delegates and press. Cross-county planning is underway to ensure that neighboring counties have coordinated emergency response plans in place.

Emergency preparedness assignments are being better distributed throughout the HHS Department. The community relies on HHS during an emergency and having department-wide pre-assignments and training will better serve the community when in need. Emergency shelter committees and safety subcommittees will be formed during the 2023 calendar year.

A large contingent of southeast Wisconsin health professionals, including representatives from Public Health as well as area health systems, will be participating in the upcoming Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP) training, September 25-29.

D. Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)

There were no updates from the ADRC.

7. Public Health Division Reports

A. Public Health – Ben Jones

Jones shared that Public Health is in the final stages of the budgetary process which will be presented to the County Executive and the HHS Board next week. Public Health has requested a couple position changes which will better setup the division for the future.

The division is actively preparing for the 140 Review, scheduled for the end of September 2023. Much of the preparation includes educating new and existing staff about what it means to provide the services required to reach a Level 3 Public Health Department status.

Public Health recently brought several new technologies to the division including a new Electronic Health Record, Clear Impact (performance management and Results-Based Accountability software), and REDCap (software for supporting data capture used in research studies and operations) for overdose fatality reviews. At this time, Public Health is actively working to obtain access to WISHIN, which will provide access to data on population-level statistics.

WIC has returned to hybrid services, rather than fully remote services. The hybrid model requires clients to provide verified health data from their primary physician to continue to receive remote WIC services. WIC has also partnered with Lake Area Free Clinic to reach more remote residents.

8. Agency Report – ProHealth Care, Sarah Butz

This presentation has been moved to the September meeting.

9. Agency Announcements and Updates

There were no agency announcements or updates.

10. Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- Agency Report: ProHealth Care – Sarah Butz
- The Agency Report from Lake Area Free Clinic will be moved to the October meeting.

11. Public Comment

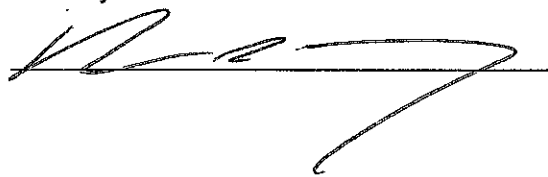
There were no public comments.

12. Adjournment

MOTION: Kadow moved, second by Reich to adjourn at 9:29 a.m. Motion passed without negative vote.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tristin Bruno.

Minutes Were Approved: _____



Date: _____

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