

Public Health Advisory Council (PHAC)

Tuesday, March 12, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Zoom Meeting:

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AGENDA ITEM	CONTENT	REQUESTED ACTION	RESOURCES	LEAD	TIME
Welcome	Welcome, introductions, review agenda, and approve minutes from February			Larysa Thomas	5:30
Public Health 101: Public Health Surveillance	This month's topic will help members understand where public health data comes from		CDC Public Health 101 An Introduction to Surveillance (Video)	Alex Coleman	5:45
ORPHEUS Data Presentation	This month's topic will help PHAC members understand where public health infectious disease surveillance data is stored and how that storage system works	PHAC provides feedback/questions to help WCPH improve communication on the topic to meet modernization goals	ORPHEUS: Oregon Public Health Epidemiologists' User System	Kathleen Rees, Epidemiology Supervisor and Catherine Desmarais, Epidemiologist; Research, Analytics, Informatics, and Data Program	6:00
M110 Follow Up	Brief presentation on Behavioral Health and Public Health M110 funded services		OHA M110: A Health-Based Approach to Addiction and Overdose	Chris Keating, Public Health Nursing Supervisor, Erin Parrish Senior Program Coordinator and Nancy Griffith, Addictions Program Coordinator	6:30
Updates & Reminders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FY 24-25 budget update Volunteer appreciation event Thursday, April 25 Chair and Vice Chair elections Public Health Week 	PHAC will vote to provide support for the PH Week Proclamation	County Budget Page Volunteer Appreciation RSVP National Public Health Week	Alex Coleman and Marie Boman-Davis	7:05
Member Updates/Comments	PHAC members have an opportunity to ask questions, or provide comments on topics outside the agenda items			Alex Coleman and Marie Boman-Davis	7:15
Public Comment	Community members can ask questions or provide comment during this time			Alex Coleman and Marie Boman-Davis	7:20
Closing	PHAC Feedback Survey			Larysa Thomas	7:25

Next Meeting: April 9, 2024

Future PHAC Meetings:

- May 8, 20204
- June 11, 20204

County Resources:

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ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Public Health 101 Series

To help members better understand the role of governmental public health, we're continuing to utilize a portion of our monthly meeting to introduce public health and the sciences essential to public health.

This month we'll be learning more about where public health data come from, focusing on public health surveillance. In this [short video](#), you'll learn about the basics of public health data and how it's collected.

For folks who may be interested in a little bit of a deeper dive into the basics of public health surveillance, you can also view a recorded webinar from the CDC, [Introduction to Public Health Surveillance](#) or review the slides on their [website](#).

ORPHEUS Data Presentation

This month we will have an opportunity to hear from our Research, Analytics, Informatics, and Data (RAID) Program. They will be providing an overview of the [Oregon Public Health Epidemiologists' User System \(ORPHEUS\)](#). This is state's electronic disease surveillance system to help with efficient and effective management of communicable disease reports. This month, Kathleen Reese the epidemiology supervisor, and Catherine Desmarais one of our epidemiologists will provide an overview of the system (elements, public health uses, limitations, etc.) and will be looking to get feedback on the PHAC on how the data collected through ORPHEUS could be useful for community members or partners.

WCPH is working on data modernization as part of our work towards modernizing our public health system and one of areas that we're focusing on is how we make data more available to the public and increase data accessibility. Questions and feedback from the Council during this presentation will help us continue to better understand how we can continue making progress in this area.

Measure 110 [Added]

There was a request following our February meeting to get support from the Council for a Board agenda item to amend our contract with OHA to increase the amount of funding received by Public Health through Measure 110 (M110) to support Harm Reduction Services provided by our Disease Control and Prevention Program. Since the request came between meetings, we were unable to conduct a formal vote, however, an opportunity was provided for members to express their support or voice any concerns with amending the contract (see

February PHAC minutes). As a follow up to this request, and to answer several questions that came from members about the current M110 funding, we will have a brief presentation from Chris Keating, Public Health Nursing Supervisor with our Disease Control and Prevention Program and Erin Parrish, Senior Program Coordinator to talk about our Harm Reduction Program and services currently funded through M110, and from Nancy Griffith, Addictions Program Coordinator with Washington County Behavioral Health who will provide an update on the M110 funding to support the Behavioral Health Resource Networks which provide comprehensive, community-based services and supports to people with substance use disorders or harmful substance use.