

Public Health Advisory Council (PHAC)

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 • 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.



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Zoom Meeting:

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AGENDA ITEM	CONTENT	REQUESTED ACTION	RESOURCES	LEAD	TIME
Welcome	Welcome, introductions, review agenda, approve minutes from March			Alex Coleman	5:30
Legislative Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group receives an update on Public Health Modernization SB 916 Relating to public health SB 953 Relating to death investigations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PHAC will vote to provide testimony on additional legislation with impacts to public health 	OHA Public Health Budget Presentation 3/21/23 Public Testimony on SB 5525 3/23/23 Public Health Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic in Oregon Part 1 Part 2	Steve Hargis, Washington County Chief Medicolegal Death Investigator and Marie Boman-Davis	5:45
Meet the New Deputy Division Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Folu has an opportunity to introduce herself to the group PHAC members have an opportunity to introduce themselves to Folu 			Marie Boman-Davis and Folu Adeniyi	6:20
Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> County's proposed budget will be released mid-April State of the County Wednesday, April 19 at 4:30 pm Volunteer Appreciation Event, April 13 at 5:30 Summer in-person meeting 		Budget Committee Meeting State of the County 2023 Volunteer Appreciation Meeting survey	Alex Coleman	7:00
Member Updates/Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PHAC members have an opportunity to ask questions, or provide any comments on topics outside the agenda items 			Alex Coleman and Marie Boman-Davis	7:10
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community members can ask questions or provide comment during this time 			Alex Coleman and Marie Boman-Davis	7:20
Closing	PHAC Feedback Survey			Alex Coleman	7:25



Next Meeting: May 9, 2023

Future PHAC Meetings:

- June 13, 2023
- July - No Meeting

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ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Legislative Update:

In March, the group submitted written testimony to the legislature in support of additional funding to support Public Health Modernization. In addition to the written support provided by this group, Marie also provided testimony at the hearing on March 23. Following the public hearing, the co-chairs for the Joint Committee on Ways and Means released their [framework for 2023-2025](#) which included \$62.5 million for modernization and \$8.1 million for universally offered home visiting. This is encouraging and highlights that public health is a priority.

There are two additional bills that WCPH is currently monitoring SB 953 and SB 916.

[SB 953](#) Relating to death investigations, changes language used to refer to medical examiners and death investigators to better reflect current terminology within the field. It also changes requirements related to death investigations by the Chief Medical Examiner. This bill is being brought to the legislature to address insufficient staff and compensation for the state medical examiners through the Oregon State Police.

[SB 916](#) Relating to public health, is a place holder bill directing the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to study public health and submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to public health no later than September 15, 2024. This bill is a follow-up to SB 1554 (2022) which required OHA to conduct a comprehensive study of the public health response to COVID-19 across the state.