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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Public Health Advisory Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

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AGENDA

I. Call to order, introductions – Dr. Joneigh Khaldun

The May 2021 Public Health Advisory Council meeting was called to order at 3:01 PM. The roll was taken, and a quorum of members were present.

II. Review and adopt April 2021 meeting minutes – All

Justin Klamerus motioned to approve the April 2021 PHAC meeting minutes. Michelle Styma seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

III. MDHHS COVID-19 Updates

a. Departmental Response – Dr. Joneigh Khaldun

The state continues to make progress in key metrics – case numbers are decreasing, approximately 210 cases per million people, percent positivity – 8.5%, hospitalization decreasing – approximately 10%, and the death rate is decreasing.

There are almost 7.7 million doses in arms across the state. Last week the FDA, CDC, ACIP authorized 12-15 year olds to be inoculated by the Pfizer vaccine. Approximately 56% of adults in the state (aged 16+) have received at least one dose. The state is working to identify more ways to outreach to individuals to ensure they can receive their vaccines.

Last Thursday, the CDC produced guidance that fully vaccinated people do not need to socially distance or wear a mask. States have responded to that guidance – Michigan's updated guidance says masks are no longer required outdoors, and fully vaccinated people no longer need to wear masks in indoor settings. The state is still reviewing the current epidemic order for capacity limits and will likely be updated within the next week. Mitigation measures in school are expected to continue.

b. Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Administration – Dr. Debra Pinals

May is Mental Health Awareness Month designed to destigmatize mental illness.

The Household Pulse Survey is completed every two weeks, to complete questionnaires for anxiety and depression. Within Michigan, 33.5% report symptomatic scores related to anxiety or depression.

Within the Crisis Call Line, there has been a significant increase in the number of people who have called the hotline seeking support. About 4300 calls were made in the last quarter. Individuals are asking many questions about vaccines.

The use of telehealth and telepsychiatry has been an alternative way to reach difficult to reach populations who need services.

There is funding to look at how to bridge 988 and MiCAL to ensure there are supports available to people who need them.

c. Local Health Services – Laura de la Rangel

Vaccinations continue in the local health departments. Local Health Services continues to partner with the National Guard. This group has supported over 2700 distinct events – supporting local health departments, vaccinations etc. Local Health Services is participating on a Workgroup on guidance for schools and mitigation strategies.

IV. Michigan Association of Counties Presentation – Meghan Keit-Corrion

Meghan Keit-Corrion from the Michigan Association of Counties presented on COVID-19 impacts at the county level. The presentation can be found [here](#).

V. Emerging Public Health Issues

MDHHS released its Opioids Task Force Report. The Report can be found [here](#).

The Department is moving forward with its lead strategy, developing a lead prevention fund, communications, and mobile outreach.

VI. Other Updates

a. PHAC Mid-Action Report – James Bell III

The draft PHAC Mid-Action report has been shared with PHAC members. The workgroups will finalize in July and prepare for release in August.

VII. Adjourn

Annette Mercatante motioned to adjourn the May 2021 PHAC meeting. Kevin Sweeney seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The May 2021 Public Health Advisory Council Meeting adjourned at 3:55 PM

Next Meeting:

June 15, 2021
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

May 2021 PHAC Attendance Report

	Name	Voting Member	Present	Not Present
1	Eric Adelman	X	X	
2	James Averill	X	X	
3	James Baker	X		
4	Shenlin Chen	X	X	
5	Denise Chrysler	X		
6	Jayne DeBoer-Rowse	X	X	
7	Cheryl Dickson	X	X	
8	Denise Fair	X		
9	Brian Hartl	X	X	
10	Joneigh Khaldun	X	X	
11	Justin Klamerus	X	X	
12	Rory Lafferty	X	X	
13	Dianne Malburg	X	X	
15	Annette Mercatante	X	X	
16	Anthony Oliveri	X	X	
17	Tanya Rule	X		
18	Kristen Schweighofer	X	X	
19	Michelle Styma	X	X	
20	Linda Vail	X		
21	Jamie Zaniewski	X	X	
	James Bell III/ DHHS		X	
	Katherine Bennet / AG			
	Sean Dunleavy/ MDARD			
	Laura de la Rambelje/DHHS		X	
	Larry Horvath (Steve Gobbo Alternate)		X	
	Jean Ingersoll		X	
	Eric Oswald		X	
	Debra Pinals		X	
	Kevin Sweeney (Jacqueline Hampton alternate)		X	