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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Public Health Advisory Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 20, 2021

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

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MINUTES

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

The July 2021 Public Health Advisory Council Meeting was called to order at 3:03 PM. The roll was taken, and a quorum of members were present.

Dr. Khaldun introduced Dr. Alexis Travis (DHHS) to the Public Health Advisory Council in her new role as the DHHS designee.

II. Review and adopt May 2021 meeting minutes

Dianne Malburg motioned to approve the May 2021 Public Health Advisory Council meeting minutes. James Averill seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

III. MDHHS COVID-19 Updates

a. Departmental Response – Dr. Joneigh Khaldun

Dr. Khaldun provided an update on COVID-19 cases and MDHHS response. There has been great success with decreasing case rates, but there has been a slight increase in case rates across the states. Most of these cases are in individuals who are not vaccinated and are fueled by the Delta variant.

MDHHS continues to use vaccinations to curb these increases. There have been over 5 million people who have at least one dose within the state.

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

BHDDA is offering a Summer Resilience Series through [Michigan.gov/Staywell](https://www.michigan.gov/Staywell) and includes a variety of resources for families and children. There is ongoing funding to support the Stay Well efforts.

The flooding in the southeast area of the state has granted disaster declaration to pursue additional opportunities for crisis counseling. Michigan has been recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for integration of disaster behavioral health into public health response.

Dr. Pinals referenced the MMWR – Symptoms of Depression, Anxiety, Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, and Suicidal Ideation Among State, Tribal, Local and Territorial Public Health Workers during the COVID-19 Pandemic. The link can be found [here](#).

c. Local Health Services – Laura de la Rangel

Local Health Services worked with their Project Officer at the CDC to offer mini-grants to Local Health Departments through the Prevent Block Grant. This grant can be used for resilience efforts for LHD staff. A total of \$200,000 has been sent to 37 health departments.

IV. Childhood Lead Testing Presentation – Dr. Jennifer McDonald

Dr. Jennifer McDonald (DHHS) presented MDHHS Response to Pandemic-Related Drop in Childhood Blood Lead Testing. Highlights from the presentation include:

- There was a 34% decrease in the number of children tested for blood lead annually in 2020 compared to 2019.
- MDHHS is actively working to raise public awareness through a statewide media campaign, mobile testing, provider outreach and education, and postcard mailings.

Dr. McDonald's presentation can be found [here](#).

V. Emerging Public Health Issues

The PHAC discussed the recent increase in legionella, mosquito surveillance (there is no current concern of eastern equine encephalitis)

Linda Vail discussed Unlock Michigan and potential consequences for public health.

VI. Other Updates

a. PHAC COVID-19 Mid-Action Report – James Bell III

James Bell (DHHS) thanked the PHAC for their contributions the COVID-19 Mid Action Report. Their feedback has been integrated with Local Health Services and the Bureau of Emergency, Trauma and Preparedness. The document is currently being reviewed by leadership and is projected to be released in August.

VII. Adjourn

James Averill motioned to adjourn the July 2021 Public Health Advisory Council meeting. Kristen Schweighoefer seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The July 2021 Public Health Advisory Council meeting adjourned at 3:54 PM.

Next Meeting:

August 17, 2021
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

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July 2021 PHAC Attendance Report

	Name	Voting Member	Present	Not Present
1.	Eric Adelman	X	X	
2.	James Averill	X	X	
3.	James Baker	X		X
4.	Shenlin Chen	X		X
5.	Denise Chrysler	X		X
6.	Jayne DeBoer-Rowse	X	X	
7.	Cheryl Dickson	X	X	
8.	Denise Fair	X		X
9.	Kathleen Forzley	X		X
10.	Brian Hartl	X		X
11.	Joneigh Khaldun	X	X	
12.	Justin Klamerus	X		X
13.	Rory Lafferty	X	X	
14.	Dianne Malburg	X	X	
15.	Annette Mercatante	X	X	
16.	Anthony Oliveri	X	X	
17.	Tanya Rule	X		X
18.	Kristen Schweighofer	X	X	
19.	Michelle Styma	X	X	
20.	Linda Vail	X	X	
21.	Jamie Zaniewski	X	X	
	Sean Dunleavy (MDARD)			X
	Eric Oswald (EGLE)		X	
	Alexis Travis (DHHS)		X	
	Larry Horvath (LARA)		X	
	Kevin Sweeney (MSP)/Jacqueline Hampton		X	
	Carl Hammaker/AG			X
	Debra Pinals/DHHS		X	
	Katherine Bennett/ AG			X
	Laura de la Rambilje/DHHS		X	