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Public Health Advisory Council Meeting

*Tuesday, February 16, 2021
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM*

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MINUTES

- I. Call to order, introductions – Dr. Joneigh Khaldun**
- a. Roll Call
Dr. Khaldun called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM. The roll was taken, and a quorum of members were present.
 - b. Virtual Decorum
- II. Review and adopt January 2021 Meeting minutes – All**
- Justin Klamerus motioned to approve the January 2021 Public Health Advisory Council Meeting minutes. Sean Dunleavy seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.
- III. MDHHS COVID Updates**
- a. Departmental Response – Dr. Joneigh Khaldun
Number of cases, test positivity and hospitalizations have continued to decline. Many areas in the state are below 10% positivity. There are continuous findings of the B117 variant within the state. The variant is more easily transmitted. There are 1.6 Million doses administered across the state. Over the past several weeks, have seen a steady increase in the number of vaccines coming into the state. Over 2200 providers have enrolled to administer the vaccine.

The state does not oversee local vaccination clinics and many groups planned for the inclement weather.
 - b. Local Health Services – Laura de la Rangelje
Local health departments are working closely with community based organizations to get Michigan residents vaccinated. DHHS has provided \$47M to help local health departments with vaccination efforts.
 - c. Behavioral Health – Dr. Debra Pinals
There is still extensive work being done related to inpatient psychiatric access especially for COVID-19 patients. A relationship was created with Pine Rest for establishing a step-down facility for adults when individuals no longer need these services.

State hospitals continue to initiate their protocols related to COVID-19 and doing a good job with testing and vaccination strategies.

BHDDA is working on community outreach. A webinar series has been developed to help adult foster cares (AFCs) learn how to work with COVID positive patients.

There are biweekly meetings with CMH and PIHP for situational awareness regarding managing COVID in the behavioral health system.

IV. Maternal Infant Health Proposed Policies – Dawn Shanafelt

Dawn Shanafelt requested input on two areas:

Advisement related to the revised MI Maternal Mortality Surveillance (MMMS) and Fetal Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) Recommendations process (see first two attachments)

Increase the number of infants safely sleeping: Our Infant Safe Sleep program team has done extensive research on potential policy and regulation changes that could be implemented to potentially save lives (see third attachment). We are interested in a reaction and advisement from the PHAC of the list.

Dawn's presentation has been attached.

V. PHAC COVID-19 Mid-Action Report

The PHAC has been requested to draft a COVID-19 Mid Action Report. The report should look at recommendations over the next 6,9 and 12 months. This document should address how COVID-19 has impacted other public health challenges (lead, suicide, maternal health, etc.).

Workgroups will be created to facilitate discussions on Policy, Technology/Data and Public Health Challenges.

The document will be finalized by July/August 2021.

VI. Emerging Public Health Threats

Some of the opioid settlement dollars will be coming in soon. It will be important to have discussions with the legislature as they are appropriated.

VII. Other Updates

a. Action Items

- i. Dawn Shanafelt will share additional data on infant mortality.
- ii. James Bell will send out meeting invitations for the PHAC workgroups.

VIII. Adjourn

Diane Malburg motioned to adjourn the February 2021 Public Health Advisory Council Meeting. James Averill seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 3:56 PM.

The meeting recording can be found [here](#).

Next Meeting:

March 16, 2021

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

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February 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		
6	Jayne DeBoer-Rowse	X	X	
7	Cheryl Dickson	X	X	
8	Sean Dunleavy		X	
9	Denise Fair	X		
10	Kathleen Forzley	X	X	
11	Steve Gobbo	X		
12	Brian Hartl	X		
13	Larry Horvath			
14	Jean Ingersoll		X	
15	Joneigh Khaldun	X	X	
16	Justin Klamerus	X	X	
17	Rory Lafferty	X	X	
18	Dianne Malburg	X	X	
19	Annette Mercatante	X		
20	Anthony Oliveri	X	X	
21	Eric Oswald		X	
22	Tanya Rule	X	X	
23	Ninah Sasy			
24	Kristen Schweighoefer	X	X	
25	Michelle Styma	X		
26	Kevin Sweeney	X		
27	Linda Vail	X	X	
28	Dennis Whitford	X		
29	Jamie Zaniewski	X	X	
	Carl Hammaker/AG			
	Debra Pinals/DHHS			
	Katherine Bennett/ AG			
	James Bell/DHHS			
	Laura de la Rangel/DHHS			