

Polk County Advisory Board of Health Minutes

September 17, 2021

Members present: Reylon Meeks, Simon Geletta and Nicole Gilg

Members Absent: Thomas Newton and Anne Bacon

Agenda Items	Summary
<u>Approval of Minutes</u>	• Approval of August minutes
<u>Director Update</u> <u>By Helen Eddy</u>	• Report sent out yesterday with new data from Meg S. • Reporting CDC vaccine data instead of IRIS data • Continuing incentives to get people vaccinated
<u>Board of Health/Board of Supervisors Action Review</u> <i>By Scott Slater</i>	• Largest number of slots we have ever had for our BCC program. • Hired Lara Hanson, on contract, to help with health coaching
<u>Lead Program</u> <i>By Laurie Gust</i>	• Completed our 3 HUD grant • Finished 154 homes • August 2021 another HUD grant • Polk County funds- have 7 homes that we will start doing • Nurse Case manager- helped with Covid response, then she retired • Kids were not getting lead tested in 2020. (Covid) Decreased 8.8% from the previous years. • Lead team helped with Covid response by taking food to Covid positive patients who could not leave their home. Also, assisting with traffic control for our vaccine drive through.
<u>Program Updates</u> <i>By Kari Lebeda Townsend</i>	• 350% increase of Covid positive cases in August • 3 days so far in September had over 3002 positive cases • Deaths have increased. • Since school has started 35% of cases are 18 and under • Continue supporting and educating school nurses and administration - o School nurses are very stressed
<u>Committee Member Comments</u>	None
<u>Public Comments</u>	None
<u>Adjournment</u>	9:18 am

Next Meeting October 15, 2021 at 8:30am

Others present:

Kari Lebeda-Townsend, PCHD

Laurie Gust, PCHD

Helen Eddy, PCHD

Scott Slater- PCHD

Mandy Penning- PCHD

Meredith Saltzman- Assistant County Attorney

Tony Leys- Des Moines Register

Paula Noonan- PC Medical Society