

Polk County Advisory Board of Health Minutes

March 18, 2022

Members present: Reylon Meeks, Simon Geletta Thomas Newton,

Members Absent: Jen Olson and Anne Bacon

Agenda Items	Summary
<u>Approval of Minutes</u>	February minutes approved
<u>Revisions to the Board of Health Advisory Committee Rules and Procedures</u>	Motion to approve
<u>STD Trends and Program Updates</u> <i>By Kim McMains</i>	- Syphilis on the rise country wide - Due to COVID lab only appointments at PCHD were suspended in 2020 - Expanded STD Team through funding from IDPH until 12/2025 - Lead Public Health Investigator 2 additional Public Health Investigators - IT Developed STD Case Manager system - Outreach- PRIDE, Leather Weekend, Dallas County Redfield Clinic - Reconnect and reestablish partnerships with all healthcare systems
<u>Director Update</u> <i>By Helen Eddy</i>	- Continue monitor COVID-19 cases - Continue to education and send out messaging about the importance of getting vaccinated - No information about the approval of 0-5 age range for COVID vaccine
<u>Board of Health/Board of Supervisors Action Review</u> <i>By Helen Eddy</i>	No new report
<u>Program Updates</u> <i>By Kari Lebeda Townsend</i>	2 TB consultants regarding very complex case (pregnant) - Seeing more than normal TB cases at this time of year - CD team very busy with communicable diseases and COVID - COVID-19 positive cases and deaths on the down trend - Only receiving first time infections through DOMO - Continue to make phone calls to families who have a child under 18 with COVID - Avian Flu- no cases in Polk County - Prepared to interview and monitor - Will offer support to other counties
<u>Committee Member Comments</u>	Tom- any guidance regarding the 2nd booster? Helen- have not heard
<u>Public Comments</u>	None
<u>Adjournment</u>	9:10 am

Next Meeting March 18, 2022 at 8:30am

Others present:

Kari Lebeda-Townsend, PCHD

Helen Eddy, PCHD

Mandy Penning- PCHD

Kim McMains- PCHD