



Kanawha-Charleston Board of Health

Wednesday, June 09, 2021

2nd Floor Conference Room
108 Lee St., E.
Charleston, WV 25301



MINUTES

1. Call to Order—President Arthur Rubin

The meeting was called to order with the President, Dr. Arthur Rubin, presiding.

2. Roll Call—John D. Law

Mr. Law conducted a silent roll call.

Dr. Aliff-Lao	Excused
Mr. Nelson	Present
Mr. Nusbaum	Present
Mr. Scalise	Present
Mr. Weber	Present
Mr. President, Dr. Rubin	Present

The President noted the presence of a quorum.

3. Moment of silence

The President noted a moment of silence for those lost to COVID and for those responding to the COVID pandemic.

4. Report of the President—President Rubin

- Approval of the minutes of the May 24, 2021 Board of Health meeting
Upon motion by Mr. Scalise, seconded by Mr. Weber, the question was put: Shall the minutes of the May 24, 2021, Board of Health meeting be approved? Motion carried.
- Other issues
The President noted no other issues.

5. Approval of Board of Health meeting dates for Fiscal Year 2022

Members approved the meeting dates for FY 2022 and approved them without motion. Unless otherwise noted, all meetings will begin at 4:30 p.m. and will be held in the board room of the Kanawha-Charleston Health Department. Meeting dates are as follows:
Thursday, July 15, 2021; Thursday, Sept. 23, 2021; Thursday, Nov. 18, 2021;
Thursday, Jan. 20, 2022; Thursday, March 18, 2022; Thursday, May 26, 2022.

6. Report of the Executive Director/Health Officer—Sherri Young, DO, FAAFP

KCHD is in day 464 of health command as of the day of the meeting. On the day of the meeting, there were 15,568 COVID-19 cases in Kanawha County. Of those, 12,290 were confirmed cases, and 2,648 were probably cases. Active cases are 1195, the lowest

number in more than a year. Recovered cases were 15,057. The total number of deaths was 316.

A total of 95,493 prime doses have been administered. A total of 80,465 second doses have been administered.

Working with our partners, KCHD was able to offer boost doses of Pfizer vaccines for students 12-15 throughout the county. In four hours, 495 doses were administered across four high schools. KCHD continues to have vaccines available at its clinic. Individuals have a choice of vaccines.

KCHD continues to provide mobile HIV testing on Tuesdays and Thursdays as well as daily testing in the clinic. Those found positive are immediately referred to the Ryan White program for care. A total of 115 tests have been conducted at 17 different sites. Three individuals have been found positive. Nine individuals previously testing positive have been reconnected to care. KCHD is working to get patients prescribed PrEP and to address transportation issues as barriers to care. KCHD is doing rapid syphilis testing at mobile clinics. Dr. Young praised the opening of a Health Right satellite clinic on the West Side of Charleston as another tool in the fight against HIV.

We held a June 02 kick-off meeting with the CDC regarding the EPI-AID currently going on in Kanawha County. The EPI-AID was requested by the Bureau for Public Health. Dr. Young noted the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have been doing EPI-AIDs since 1946. The current EPI-AID in Charleston is the only one dealing with HIV.

CDC plans a June 25 exit meeting.

In July, the CDC will issue a report to stakeholders.

A final report will be issued some time after that.

The EPI-AID addresses urgent public health problems, makes rapid and short-term recommendations and allows stakeholders to make rapid, technical decisions. Dr. Young noted that in preliminary discussions with CDC officials, they indicate Kanawha officials are doing a good job in addressing the HIV problem.

The EPI-AID Team will:

- (a) Do a rapid assessment of people who inject drugs and stakeholders.
- (b) Review abstracted medical records.
- (c) Review and analyze provider service data.

Team members will interview 20-30 people who inject drugs and 20-30 stakeholders.

7. Reports of the Division Directors--Deferred

8. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

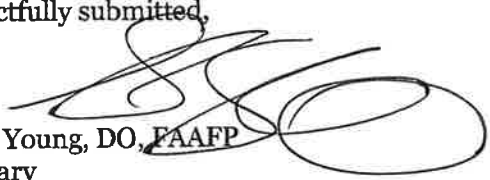
9. Old Business

There was no old business.

10. Adjournment

Upon motion by Mr. Scalise, seconded by Mr. Weber, the question was put: Shall the meeting be adjourned? Motion caried.

Respectfully submitted,


Sherri Young, DO, FAAFP
Secretary