

Board of Health: Kenosha County Public Health

Meeting Minutes: Regular 4.11.23

Microsoft Teams - Virtual/12:00 Noon

Agenda Item	Talking Points	Action Step (Who & When)
Call to Order, President	The meeting was called to order at 12:02 pm by Dr. Gerlach in place of Julia Robinson. (00:00:05)	
Approval of Minutes of January 10, 2023 Re-Organizational & Regular Meetings, February 14, 2023 and March 14, 2023 meetings deferred until October 10, 2023 in person meeting	Motion to approve minutes of January 10, 2023 Re-Organizational & Regular Meetings, February 14, 2023 and March 14, 2023 meetings deferred until October 10, 2023 in-person meeting. (00:00:07)	
Public Comments	None	
President's Comments	President Julia Robinson excused. Dr. Gerlach, filling in for Julia, thanked everyone for attending. In her office, she has seen a decrease in Covid and flu, but an increase in strep cases. (00:00:30 – 00:00:58)	
Health Officer/Director's Report a. Monthly Highlights b. KORI Runs – Liane Blanck, Population Health Manager/Sandile Nukuna, Public Health Supervisor – Substance Use Prevention c. Action and Advocacy – Liane Blanck	Monthly Highlights <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Asthma Care program had 21 new clients enrolled in March. Very successful collaboration with WIC. Bright Family Beginnings has high growth with 178 clients currently enrolled. 9 new enrollments since February and 16 clients in various stages of engagement. This is the highest number of clients enrolled since before the pandemic.• Finalizing the Kenosha Community Assessment Health Plan Report. The final report will be presented to this group during the May meeting. Attendance is encouraged to receive this report.• In partnership with Kenosha County Health Center, the Kenosha County Health Clinic-Job Center opened up a satellite site in Silver Lake (Kenosha County Health Clinic-West. On the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month from 10am – 3:30pm they will be providing reproductive health/family planning/STI services targeting older teens and young adults. <p><i>Question regarding recruitment process for open Health Officer/Director position:</i> There were 5 candidates, none of which were qualified. The position will continue to be posted.</p> <p>KORI Runs – Liane Blanck, Population Health Manager/Sandile Nukuna, Public Health Supervisor – Substance Use Prevention Liane Blanck introduced Sandile Nukuna, new Public Health Supervisor – Substance Use Prevention.</p>	Report will be sent to BOH in May

	<p>Kenosha County Public Health has had our SAMHSA grant (Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration) since September 2021. Two goals of the grant:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Training everyone in Kenosha County on Narcan 2. KORI (Kenosha Overdose Response Initiative). In partnership with Oakwood Peer Specialists and Kenosha Fire Department reaching out to those individuals/families that had a recent overdose and providing our resources. <p>Sandile reported that in February the first runs were started. In March, 5 individuals were reported with overdose. The KORI team goes to the homes of those that have overdosed to talk with those that have overdosed and family members to offer resources. In April, there were 4 individuals reached out to with Oakwood providing follow up. The team will begin to bring our Nurse Practitioner on runs to offer services. The team also has bilingual members. The team and services are growing.</p> <p>Recently in our community we have seen an increase in Gabapentin being added to other opioids. Additionally, Xylazine (animal sedative) that is laced with other opioids has been identified in our community. Narcan cannot reverse this medication.</p> <p>Action and Advocacy – Liane Blanck, Population Health Manager Liane reported that two bills came through in March:</p> <p>Bill LRB0589 Advance Practice Registered Nurse Licensure Bill. We are losing Advance Practice Registered Nurses to other states where they can practice at the highest level. Wisconsin currently does not allow this. We are in support of this bill.</p> <p>Bill LRB1140 Allowing Remote Orders of Alcohol Sales. We are not in support of this bill as it would allow Door Dash and Amazon delivery of alcohol right to the door. No compliance checks or identification checks are required.. The person who gets ticketed is the delivery driver, not the alcohol sales outlet. (00:01:04 – 00:16:27)</p>	
Corporation Counsel’s Report	Jen Phan reported that we are waiting on a few of the counties in Illinois to sign off on the MOU for Lake County Behavioral – Lake County, Zion, and Gurnee. The Kenosha Police Department will be signing off after April 17 th . (00:17:19 – 00:18:23)	
Other Business as Allowed by Law	None	
Closing Board Comments	Next month we will have broader discussion of our Community Health Assessment. On May 17, 2023 there will be a meeting at the Kenosha County Center presenting findings to the Health Advisory Council. (00:18:52 – 00:19:47)	
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting by John O’Day, seconded by Dr. Dominique Pritchett. Meeting adjourned at 12:25 pm. (00:19:48)	

	Prepared by Karen Kersting, Board of Health Secretary Respectfully submitted by Lori Plahmer/Interim Health Officer/Director	
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Present: Liane Blanck, Dr. James Foster, Dr. Diane Gerlach, Kenny Harper, Karen Kersting, Sandile Nukuna, John O’Day, Jen Phan, Lori Plahmer, Dr. Dominique Pritchett, Tami Rongstad

Absent: Olatoye Baiyewu (absent), Julia Robinson (excused), Rita Ventura (excused)