



**CINCINNATI BOARD OF HEALTH
BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
April 23, 2019**

Dr. Philip Lichtenstein, Chair of the Board of Health, called the April 23, 2019 meeting of the Cincinnati Board of Health to order at 6:03 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Board members present: Dr. Philip Lichtenstein, Dr. Amar Bhati, Ms. Carrie Douglas, Dr. Joe Hackworth, Dr. Monica Mitchell, Ms. Chandra Yungbluth, Dr. Christopher Lewis (6:10), Mr. Gary Hagopian

Absent: Ms. Kate Schroder (excused)

Others present: Ms. Melba R. Moore, Ms. Jill Byrd, Dr. Camille Jones, Dr. Yury Gonzales, Dr. Jennifer Mooney, Mr. Antonio Young, Mr. Ronald Robinson, Ms. Marla Fuller, Ms. Ashanti Salter, Mr. Harry Barnes, Mr. Domic Hopson, Senior Staff. Mr. Robert Brown, Primary Care. Mr. Zach Southwood, City Solicitor's Office.

II. AGENDA

Topic	Discussion	Responsible Party	Action/Motion
Minutes	Motion: That the Board of Health approve the minutes of the March 26, 2019 Board of Health meeting	Ms. Ali Kathman	<u>Motion:</u> Lichtenstein <u>Second:</u> Yungbluth <u>Action:</u> Passed
Presentation	<i>Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP)</i> CLPPP is a mandated program under the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC 3701-30-07), and City of Cincinnati Board of Health Regulations (BOH 0053-(15) (B4) (C1) (C2) and has been in existence since 1974. Lead based paint becomes a hazard as it deteriorates and causes exposure when present in soil, dust, and water. There is no safe level of lead exposure; it can damage the brain and nervous system, leading	Dr. Camille Jones and Ms. Rashmi Aparajit	

	<p>to developmental delays, and learning/behavioral problems. Children should be tested for lead exposure at age 1 and 2 years, or up to 6 years if no previous test has been done.</p> <p>The current lead poisoning rate in Cincinnati children is 3.6% for levels 5 ug/dL and above, and 0.8% for levels 10 ug/dL and above. About 9,000 children are tested each year.</p> <p>CLPPP provides environmental lead risk assessments, enforcement for properties with lead hazard orders, relocation assistance for families, and outreach and education in the community.</p>		
<p>Presentation</p>	<p><i>Data Update</i></p> <p>Dr. Amin demonstrated a new feature on the CHD website: an interactive map that displays birth counts by neighborhood for the years 2006-2015. https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/health/community-health-data/cincinnati-birth-maps-by-neighborhood/</p> <p>Dr. Sharon Hutchins gave an update to the recent Hepatitis A diagnosis of a US Chili worker and the Health Department response. The public was notified of the potential exposure via a press release on April 17th and a press conference on April 18th. With help from Hamilton County Public Health and Springdale, 48 people were vaccinated within the effective window. There is still a “cold line” information line available for patrons to call which provides information about handwashing and monitoring symptoms.</p>	<p>Dr. Maryse Amin and Dr. Sharon Hutchins</p>	

<p>Presentation</p>	<p><i>Food Safety Program Audit</i></p> <p>Mr. Young and Mr. Sanders presented the results of a recent food safety inspection program audit from the City of Cincinnati Internal Auditing Division. In total, 16 recommendations were given for improvement, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Streamline the food licensing processes to include the ability to submit applications electronically. There is a need to either determine if the current two software systems (Environmental Database and Permits Plus) can interface, or find a new software system than can offer more seamless processing of license applications. • Fiscal to increase cost methodology oversight. • Establish inspection performance measures in SOP. • Create sanitarian inspection area rotation policy. <p>The Internal Auditing Division will include CHD responses (submitted on April 17), and finalize the report with the City Manager.</p>	<p>Mr. Antonio Young and Mr. John Sanders</p>	
<p>Finance Committee Update</p>	<p>Reviewed monthly year-to-date profit and loss reports between school based clinics and community based clinics. All non-personnel expense cost was \$470,000 (this is moving in the right direction from previous \$500,000 cost). Discussed improvements to best practices: 1) placing nurse managers in charge of team based</p>	<p>Dr. Bhati and Mr. Robinson</p>	

	<p>care 2) rotating nursing every 3 years.</p> <p>Update to chronic care management pilot program- (in house EPIC-based program vs. third party Phamily Health program). In house program seems to be sufficient, but presents a potential staffing issue. In June we'll have enough data from both programs to make a final decision.</p> <p>Reviewed financial dashboard of activity of 8 months of the fiscal year through February. Key metrics being tracked are 1) number of days in accounts receivable and 2) percentage of claims from third party payers greater than 90 days. These metrics evaluate performance in terms of delivering service, getting service billed, and collecting revenue. Compared to last month, there is a slight improvement in number of days in accounts receivable, but not in claims greater than 90 days.</p> <p>Total visits for medical, dental, and vision was lower than the budgeted number of visits. CHD was not able to hire the physicians/providers required to meet those numbers. Medical visits year to date are at 34,300. Currently maintaining the line with no meaningful increase, but no material decrease.</p> <p>Reviewed detailed breakout of medical, dental, pharmacy, and vision revenue streams by month and location. Year to date expenses for community health centers is \$15 million, with \$10.9 million in</p>		
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	revenue; school-based health centers expenses is \$14.5 million, with \$3.8 million in revenue. The city general fund is needed to pay for uncompensated care.		
Personnel Actions	Motion: That the Board of Health approve the personnel actions on the list identified as Attachment No. 4 dated April 23, 2019.	Board of Health	<u>Motion:</u> Lichtenstein <u>Second:</u> Lewis <u>Action:</u> Passed
Avondale Clinic Naming	<p>Target date of July 1 for opening Avondale Health Center.</p> <p>UC and CHD are meeting April 30th to review operating agreement and management responsibilities.</p> <p>The Community Builders and UC have been very involved in engaging the community in the development of this health center.</p> <p>The Board agreed that it is a great opportunity for the community to be involved in the naming of their health center and will help drive patients to the clinic.</p> <p>Dr. Mitchell clarified whether the community will make the decision or offer suggestions. Some ideas are having a community meeting or a website for community members to either vote or offer ideas.</p> <p>Dr. Lewis commented that if Ambrose Clement doesn't remain name, there should be an informative discussion of its history.</p> <p>Angela Robinson said the name is requested as soon as possible.</p> <p>Ms. Yungbluth suggested in the interest of time- bringing previously suggested names to a community vote quickly.</p>	Board of Health	

III. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS, BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS, PUBLIC COMMENT, OTHER BUSINESS

A. Health Commissioner's Comments

- A PHAB consultant is being brought in to assist with writing the corrective action plan due June 26. Two weeks prior, the action plan needs to be submitted to Accreditation Specialist for review. If it is accepted, we then have one year to secure documentation to demonstrate the plan in place. The consultant's agreement is for \$4,500.
- CCPC voted in their last meeting to bring in a consultant to assist with conducting a mock HRSA site visit. The agreement is for \$9,000.
- Acknowledged Rosemary Stemerick and Mary Fairbanks joining Communications team
- Discussed Mr. Young's presentation and how to use the performance audit as documented proof of the need of additional sanitarians
- There's a need to address the connection between substance abuse with mental health and depression. Plan to establish partnership with UC Urban Health, the psychology department, and social work students to offer preceptorship in our health centers.
- Met with a collections company to begin resolving uncompensated care
- Center for Closing the Health Gap's Health Expo in Washington Park on Saturday, April 27th, 10-5

B. Board Members' Comments

- Dr. Hackworth thanked Mr. Robinson for the financial dashboard information
- Dr. Bhati thanked the Commissioner for highlighting the importance of mental health and working to improve access to mental health care
- Ms. Douglas thanked the presenters and asked about Safe Places (Dr. Mooney gave update that the program is working very well, 6 patients so far, positive feedback from staff, will do a deeper dive into data)
- Dr. Lewis commended Mr. Young's team for their work and thanked the Commissioner and Senior Leadership for all that they have accomplished

C. Public Comments

- Pamela Adams suggested partnering with Healthy Moms and Babies for additional outreach regarding lead poisoning prevention. She also suggested promoting Safe Places at the Cincinnati public libraries.

D. Chairperson's Comments

- Dr. Lichtenstein commended Senior Leadership for bringing in second and third in command to meetings to assist with presentations
- Acknowledged Ali Kathman's final BOH meeting, as her temporary contract with the Health Department is ending.

IV. ADJOURNMENT: 8:20 PM

This meeting is available online: <https://vimeo.com/333616861>

NEXT MEETING: 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 28, 2019

Minutes Prepared by:



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Minutes Approved by:



Dr. Philip Lichtenstein
Chair, Board of Health