

# TEHAMA COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY



## Public Health Advisory Board Meeting

### Minutes for Thursday, November 5, 2020

**Present:** Linda J. Lucas, Jeanne Spurr, Lucretia Fletcher, Jean Shackelford, Sharon Sinclair, Omar Saldivar, Minnie Sagar, Michelle Schmidt, Mary Jacobson, Ashley Schaack, Jill Wasche, Hailey Nelson, Maria Kelly, Karla Damian-Vazquez, Nancy Cook

**Excused:** Romi Uribe, Tina Brown, Melissa Heffley

Subject	Discussion	Action
<b>Welcome/Introductions</b>	Sharon opened the meeting at 1:15pm and introductions were made.	
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	Minutes from October 1, 2020 were reviewed. Linda motioned to approve the minutes. Jean seconded. All in favor. No opposed.	10/01/2020 minutes were approved.
<b>Public Comment</b>	No public present.	
<b>General Announcements</b>	No general announcements.	
<b>Public Health</b>	<p>Maria Kelly has been hired with us to be a Health Educator in Tobacco, Lead and Car Seat programs. Ruth Patience-Midcap has been promoted to Supervising Public Health Nurse. 3 vacant nursing positions. WIC Nutrition Assistant and Office Assistant positions will be interviewing soon.</p> <p>Contact Investigators and Contacts Tracers have been assisting from the state level. Very helpful to have their assistance.</p> <p>In process of distributing BINAX rapid tests to local providers. Planning for COVID-19 Vaccine distribution and implementation.</p> <p>Flu Clinics administered over 1,000 vaccines during the two drive-thru clinics in Corning and Red Bluff. Jean commented that the clinic went very well and was well received.</p>	
<b>Dept. of Social Services</b>	Pandemic-EBT program will continue and hoping to continue through the school year.	
<b>Dignity Health</b>	Phillip filled in for Tina who couldn't attend. Working on finalizing Listos grant	

<b>Connected Living</b>	that has targeted senior population on emergency preparedness for natural disasters. The grant ends in December. New office located within Dignity Health Home Health & Hospice. Applied for another grant to further expand role in emergency preparedness.	
<b>Empower Tehama</b>	<p>Impressed with Public Health's response during COVID-19. Emergency shelter for domestic assault victims is a congregate living situation. Shelter was overflowing at beginning of COVID-19 and was concerned but quickly reduced to 3 families. Obtained grant for hotel sheltering with helped meet COVID-19 guidelines. Could still provide services and resources but let them have time to be COVID-19 tested and get results; 125 people were placed within hotel shelters. Grant has exhausted, looking for additional funding. PH went to the shelter and did some work there and addressed situations quickly.</p> <p>Office on Walnut Street has remained open during COVID-19 for all victim services, modified how to provide services to clients. Automatic thermometer installed at entrance and they have facial recognition, unfortunately, there is some resistance on using facial recognition software and people are concerned that their information will be shared. It's not connected to the Empower Tehama internal systems but the concern remains. Plexiglass barriers installed. All three sites are now operational; forensic interviews at Hickory Street office. Whole Family services at Sale Lane office; education/outreach. Public can go in but they have to be screened before entry. Several groups; battered intervention program, convicted of domestic violence, similar services of those that are risk of violence; all could not be provided at the beginning of COVID and there were 110-115 people enrolled in the groups and Zoom meetings were difficult for the attendees. Case Managers would call each person weekly and work with them one-on-one and keeping the connection. It was very difficult for staff but it made a large difference when groups started back up because they were able to maintain the connection with the clients.</p> <p>Working with City of Corning to work under Prop 47, people ages 18-26, have involvement with criminal justice system (no conviction required), substance or mental abuse issue. They can get services through groups, therapy and housing. Landlords aren't likely to rent to someone with a</p>	

	<p>criminal past when housing is competitive. Good opportunity to change their life if they so desire.</p> <p>Initially reports of domestic violence dropped because people are forced to stay home with the perpetrator and gives them more power and more control. They also tend to not allow any window of opportunity for victims to call or come to office. The level of violence was extremely high for the few cases that were coming in. Cases are rising and up about 45% and is very difficult for staff and having to recognize the limit to the capacity. Restraining orders can't be done the same day all the time due to increase in reports. Having to triage reports/cases and delay the process due to high volume of cases.</p>	
<b>Greenville Rancheria</b>	Working at St. Mary's location. Pulmonologist will change schedule and be available full day on Monday. Telehealth for Behavioral Health is going well. Schedules are filling up. In-house psychiatrist M-F right now. New nurse was hired this week. New CFO end of the month.	
<b>NCCDI</b>	Spooktacular was successful. Gave out all the goody bags. Almost fully enrolled. All sites are open. One of the afternoon classrooms wasn't full so it was closed but all others are open.	
<b>Rolling Hills Clinic</b>	Drive-Thru Clinics in Red Bluff and Corning on October 20 and 23 were successful.	
<b>Committee Reports</b> Executive           Dental	<p>Reminder to do Ethics Training. Will be available online following PHAB meeting on December 3 for everyone to join online or do it on your own or go in-person. Annual Report nearly complete.</p> <p>Strategic planning meeting last week. Brush, Book, Bed campaign to increase awareness of importance of oral health; obtain healthy nighttime routine, read, set regular bedtime. Read Across Tehama was last March and planning to do again this March. Might look different, last time we went into classrooms. First 5 Tehama Book Club starting for kids and first event is in November but we will be sponsoring February and will be purchasing books to give to the families, activity sheets and crayons for kids and working with dentists to read stories to their kids and posting videos. Also doing an ad campaign for TV to promote Brush, Book, Bed. Media campaign to raise</p>	

Healthy Youth Tehama	<p>awareness of pregnancy oral health and getting kids to the dentist with their first tooth. 1,000 packets were put together for Spooktacular to share nutrition ed, walking guides, tobacco ed and toothbrush kits. Behavioral Health will be distributing 500 packets in December and will have oral health info and toothbrush kits. In January during homeless count they will be sending toothbrush kits out.</p> <p>Had to cancel a teen health fair back in April due to COVID-19 and hoping to do something next April. There are sexual health rights brochures available at PH. Rise in teen pregnancies and STIs locally.</p>	
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Next meeting: **December 3, 2020 at 1:15pm & Ethics Training** immediately following the meeting

Adjourned: 2:05pm

Minutes by: Ashley Schaack