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AGENDA / MINUTES

Committee/Project/Meeting:		Genesee-Orleans Board of Health	
Date:	August 2, 2022	Recorder:	Samantha Weber
Time:	4:00 p.m.		
Location:	Genesee County Health Department/Zoom		
Attendance: Mr. Grout, Mr. Miller, Dr. Obear, Mr. Torrey, P. Pettit, B. Bedard, S. Senf, K. Castricone, D. Krenzer-Lewter, S. Balduf , S. Weber			
<u>AGENDA / TOPICS</u>		<u>DISCUSSION (CONCISE SUMMARY)</u>	<u>ACTION / NEXT STEPS</u>
Minutes from June 7, 2022			Approved Motion: Mr. G. Torrey Second: Mr. F. Miller All members in favor.
Public Concerns/Discussions/ Presentations		No new additional Recapped: Community member req. for door to door vaccine has not yet published a letter to the Orleans Hub as previously stated. Partnered with NYSDOH at the County Fairs (Genesee & Orleans) Offering Covid vaccines to boost vaccination rate. Zero vaccines were administered at either Count Fair. No formal complaints.	
Division Reports Community Health Report		Lead: Genesee & Orleans currently have 6 new elevations. Higher rates due to testing now that Covid has slowed. TB: Slight increase in OC 3 active case, 2 extra pulmonary & 5 latent cases. GC only has 1 active case due to be complete 8/5/22. All cases are foreign born.	

	Maternal Child Health: Seeing a reduction. GC 1 case OC 1 visit – Births are down over all in the county. Immunizations: Clinics remain low. Anticipated pick up at the start of the school year especially in OC due to the low number of available pediatricians in the area. Communicable disease: Nothing outstanding to report. Covid daily positivity rate remains low. Seeing less home test rates – speculated that they are just not reporting positive tests. Provider positive test reports are also low. Monkey Pox is spreading throughout the country and world. None currently reporting with GC or OC but in surrounding areas. Anticipate a case or so within the next few months. Vaccine available but currently “Federal Asset”. Should we end up with a case we would work with NYSDOH to deploy vaccine once contact investigation is conducted. NYSDOH is rolling out communications & webinars to providers to help identify and treat monkey pox. Waste Water: Slow due to staffing. Labs will run Tuesday & Thursdays. Still the only Lab in NYS to be run through a County. Plans to work with NYSDOH to look at other pathogens. Hope & anticipate in fall to test for monkey pox, flu and other pathogens Contacted by other Counties regarding lab set up	
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	and details. Presented at National conference and to NAACHO on Waste Water analysis.	
Environmental Report	Thank you Sarah Balduf for your 29 yrs. of service. Vacancies GC & OC PH Sanitarian positions. GC needs someone to assist w/ Healthy Neighborhood Grant Merging of the Sanitary Code Local code (adopting all of the required state codes and any other service provided not regulated by the state) GC & OC were very similar – For PHAB and Administrative purposed we have merged the two codes into one. The merger was presented to ea. County Attorney for approval. Subset for OC Food Training requirement GC anticipated to join as some point. Subset added for Lead testing in school drinking water and Cooling towers. Once approved by BOH it will be sent to NYSDOH to be filed. Enforcement logs: No outstanding notices for violation – all have been paid.	
Financial Report	K. Castricone OC – Currently working on 2023 Budget; have to have completed by 8/31/2022. Finishing 2Qt. Financials S. Senf GC – Currently working on 2023 Budget; have to have completed by 9/9/2022. Will have 2Qt. Financials for next meeting.	
Corporate Compliance Report	K. Castricone OC – No Compliance issues to report. All OC employees have completed their training.	

Children with Special Health Care Needs	This is the time of the year that EI is at its highest rates. GC currently has 160 enrolled. 21-22 school yr. had 191 enrolled. OC currently has 120 enrolled. 21-22 school yr. had 111 enrolled. Batavia City School District has been approved to have 5 Center Based preschool classrooms, and is conducting interviews now for the 22-23 school year. They will be able to provide service to both counties. Currently dealing with a shortage of qualified providers. Noted a decline in In-home services being provided especially in OC. NYS has been notified and is working on rates of pay & treatment requirements. In September OC is partnering with agencies to conduct an OT parent & child group at the local Library to assist with the outstanding need. If this trial program proves to be successful will try to set up in GC too. The #1 waitlist service is Speech. Carla Aceto was hired in June as the New Transportation Coordinator for Genesee, Orleans, & Livingston Counties. Her duties include coordinating bus routes for the fall program, handling busing complaints and invoicing. Working on proposals for next years to hopefully have one company busing all three counties. EI New software program – slated to launch in fall 2022. EI	
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	Staff is being provided online training for the new system. OC S. Bensley Recognized as Employee of the Month in May 2022. Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN): Continued promotion for program. Goal is to increase outreach in the community to increase # of referrals. State has provide several webinars regarding the CYSHCN program.	
Director's Report	Staffing continuing to roll over. Sarah Balduf is retiring and Darren Brodie (GC current Lead Coordinator) has been offered the position and will Start as the New Environmental Director on 8/31/2022. GO Health position vacancies. GC & OC PH Sanitarian. OC PH Nurse PHAB: Notes from Kristine Voos PHAB coordinator. Making progress June had us at 30% reviewed. August now has us at 80% reviewed. 266 of 332 examples; 62% of reviewed examples are now marked as complete. Goal is to have all outstand examples reviewed by the end of this August. No domain is at 100% yet but domain 1is at 94% complete. Domains 8,9 & 12 are in there final review. Doc committee will be uploading to EPHAB IN September to November. We are currently on target with our timeline. There is a new version of EPHAB rolling out in	

	September and the PH fellows have been commissioned to help with the updated changes that need to be made on our current documents. Reports sent: Go Health 2021 annual report. Strategic Plan update. To be updated annually. – It will be reviewed quarterly with progress reports to track progress – provided to BOH for review. By laws of BOH Finalized Onboarding Process for New BOH members. PHAB Report – using VMSG as our performance management system. The dashboard is being used for PHAB & as a management system to Track Grants and other agreements. COVID Area lack of desire to vaccinate. Waiting on School Guidance from NYSDOH. Anticipate to align with CDC guidelines. Community Health Assessment: The community Health Improvement plan we have don't the survey, the community conversations and are now pulling all the data together and starting the analyzing process. We are in the process of applying for a new HUD Grant; We will be applying as GLOW (Genesee, Livingston, Orleans & Wyoming County). Workforce:	
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	Changes in Article 6 (reported on last June 2021), included \$100,000.00 in base grant & also 50% fringe. Currently reviewing how to use the funds. Advised County managers that we need to make these investments into the County Health Departments to increase PH capacity with our counties and the work we do. Looking to add some new positions that have been identified as needs over the last few years such as a PH Lab coordinator to also assist w/ environmental as needed. Permanent Epidemiologist in GC, and a Health Education Director for both GC & OC. New CDC investment has approved an almost 3.50 billion dollars to be used to focus on PH & the PH workforce. Coming to States through a 5yr grant. Applications are due by 8/22/22; it's estimated to be rolled out to GC/OC in about \$150,000.00/yr. Funds earmarked to build capacity, retention, & recruitment. CDC mandated language required to give 40% to local Health Dept. May see in November of this yr. 11.15 waiver -State to receive Funds Medicare/Medicaid. NAACHO 1st meeting went well. Discussed State Staff shortage.	
Old Business •		
New Business - GO Health 2021 Annual Report - GO Health By-Laws of the Board of Health. BOH		APPROVED Motion: Ms. D. Page Second: Ms. Dr. M. Obear All members in favor

responsibilities and onboarding of new members. • GO Health Confidentiality of Individually Identifiable Health Information (IIHI) • GO Health Code of Ethics Policy • GO Health Surveillance Data Process Policy • GO Health Communications & Branding Plan • GO Health Strategic Plan 20-24; 2022 Annual Update; Quarters 1 & 2 Progress Reports • GO Health Performance Management Plan 22-24 • GO Health Sanitary Code		
Other		
Adjournment		Motion: Ms. D. Page Second: Mr. F. Miller All members in favor.
Next meeting: Orleans County/Zoom October 4, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.		