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Florence County Board of Health Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

Jury Room of the Florence County Courthouse

Mission: Connecting You to a Better Life!

Vision: Healthy people, vibrant communities

Values: COMMITMENT, COLLABORATION, COMPASSION

Call to Order/Roll Call: Susan Theer, Chair

Present: Susan Theer, Sherry Johnson, Charles Kellstrom, Dr. DePrekel (arrived 5:35pm)

Call In: Cindy Kmecheck **Excused:** Chad Hedmark & Carolyn Lemanski

M/S Johnson/Kellstrom to Approve Agenda as posted unanimously approved

M/S Kellstrom/Johnson to Approve January 18, 2023, meeting minutes unanimously approved

M/S Johnson/Kellstrom to approve January expenditures unanimously approved

M/S Kellstrom/Kmecheck to approve Staff Training/Travel unanimously approved

1. Program/Plan Reports-

- i. Discussion: Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)/ COVID 19 Updates-Seibold stated that Florence County Health Department (FCHD) is supplying FREE Take Home Rapid COVID Test Kits. FCHD staff is offering the Bivalent COVID Booster vaccine to any individual that has received their primary COVID series of vaccines at least two months ago. During the month of March, FCHD staff has been asked to participate in a State of Wisconsin site review regarding the COVID vaccine storage and handling, eligibility, administration and documentation of the vaccine.
- ii. M/S Johnson/Kellstrom to approve Environmental Health contracting with A Price to perform inspections of conflicting establishments as required by DATCP unanimously approved
- iii. M/S Johnson/Kellstrom to approve Environmental Health MOU with Oneida County as required by DATCP for emergency back-up unanimously approved
- iv. M/S Johnson/Kellstrom for approval for staff to use VPN access in inclement weather and residing more than 5 miles from work location as approved by Director on case-by-case basis and department has staffing to remain open unanimously approved

2. Director reports- (Dr DePrekel Arrived 5:35pm) Seibold reported that FCHD collaborated with the UW Extension-Florence, Florence County Sheriff's office, Jacob's Funeral Home, Florence County Human Services Department, Together Our Responsibility Publicly Embraces Direction & Opportunities (TORPEDO) students, Florence EMS, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College (NWTC), and the Florence County School District to provide the "Keeping It Real" Program to 7th and 8th graders and their parents/guardians to participate in several mock settings to increase their comprehension of the dangers of prescription drugs related to the opioid epidemic. Seibold shared that 3rd Grade Swim Lessons will be offered again, in partnership with the Iron Mountain YMCA. FCHD has supplied each 3rd grade student with a string backpack and towel to promote health equity. Seibold reported that she had a meeting with Vivent Health, Jim Brunner, to bring harm reduction services to Florence County such as Hep C, HIV, and Syphilis testing, Narcan Training, and Syringe Access Program (SAP). In March, Jim plans on providing some upcoming virtual presentations to the Opioid Settlement Taskforce Committee and the AODA/MH Coalition to discuss these services.

3. Committee Comments for Future Agenda Items- Seibold had informed committee MOU with Vivent Health was recently sent to Corp Counsel. Committee supported MOU after Corp Counsel Approval.

4. Next meeting date-March 15, 2023

5. Adjourn

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