

Minutes
MALPH Health Education & Promotion Forum
Thursday, August 3rd, 2023 10:30 am to 12:05pm

Allegan	Emily Smale
Barry/Eaton	Kaylynne Miesen
Bay	David Wesoloski
Ben/Lee	Rachel Pomeroy
Berrien	
B/Hill/St.J	
Calhoun	
Central	Mikki Babcock
Chippewa	
Delta/Men	
Detroit	
Dickinson/Iron	
District 10	Jen Hansen
District 2	Katie Spalding Scott Vaughn
District 4	Cathy Goike
Genesee	
G Traverse	Cortney Brown
Huron	
Ingham	Paige Swem
Ionia	
Jackson	
Kalamazoo	Lindsey Merling
Kent	
Lapeer	
Lenawee	
Livingston	
LMAS	
Macomb	Tamera Baker
Marquette	
Midland	
Mid-Mich	Brady Guibault
Monroe	
Muskegon	Jill Montgomery
Northwest	
Oakland	Jennifer Kirby
Ottawa	Lisa Uganski
Saginaw	Tracy Metcalfe
Sanilac	
Shiawassee	
St. Clair	Alyse Nichols
Tuscola	
VanB/Cass	Holly Young
Washtenaw	
Wayne	
West UP	
MALPH	Norm Hess Jodi Shaver Gwen Titthof
MDHHS	
Guests: Annette Mercatante, MD, MPH Michelle Walters	

Call to order: 10:35 am

Group statement of health equity – to be read next meeting and each meeting following.
 ("Creating health equity is a guiding priority and core value for the Health Education and Promotion Forum. Health equity is achieved when every person has the opportunity to "attain his or her full health potential" and no one is "disadvantaged from achieving this potential because of social position or other socially determined circumstances.") WHO definition, 2022.

Approval of June, 2023 minutes as presented: Motion: Jennifer Kirby; 2nd: Katie Spalding.
 Motion Passes.

Approval of treasurer report July 1, 2023 to July 31, 2023: starting balance: \$2,872.31.
 Expenses include 13.5 CHES Credits for HEP Forum members at \$3/each (\$40.50) and deposit to Tree Tops for annual meeting (\$500). Revenue included 14 annual meeting registrations at \$114.92/each (\$1,608.99). Ending balance is \$3,940.69 Motion: Jennifer Kirby; 2nd Katie Spalding. Motion Passes.

MALPH Update:

- [Michigan Premier Public Health Conference](#) will be held October 2-4th at Shanty Creek Resort in Bellaire, MI. [Conference brochure](#) now available and those looking to register need to do so by September 2nd. Overnight room reservation link is on the MALPH website and also needs to be completed by September 2nd. If organizations are interested in being a sponsorship partner, information can be found [here](#). Also on the [MALPH website](#) are the forms to submit nominees for the annual awards.
- Future Michigan Premier Public Health Conference locations have been determined:
 - 2024 Bellaire MI
 - 2025 Muskegon, MI
 - 2026 Port Huron, MI
 - 2027 Kalamazoo, MI
- With the cross jurisdictional grants MALPH receives, they are hosting a FREE leadership workshop for deputy health officers and new leaders at LHD's. There were 74 applicants for 15 spots, so MALPH opened additional workshops.
- The FDA Retail Food Protection Seminar Registration is now open. The Seminar will be held at the Sheraton Grand Rapids Airport October 4-6th. More information [here](#).
- Guide to Local Public Health for Governing Entities booklet is completed and hard copies will be printed and given to Local Health Services soon and there will be a mechanism for LHD's to order. They will also be available at the MI Premier Public Health Conference.
- Tobacco Free Kids Coalition reached out to MAPLH asking for a resolution for restricting flavored tobacco. Norm will do so if HEP Forum makes that recommendation.
- MALPH is preparing comment for CHW Medicaid policy. They are due August 18th.
- The Childhood Lead Exposure Elimination Commission (CLEEC) is looking for a new LHD rep. Contact Norm Hess if interested (nhess@malph.org)
- Norm will send out MALPH op-ed regarding 150 years of public health in Michigan.

MDHHS Update:

MDHHS rep not present. Adrian passed along information on 150 years of public health in Michigan.

Policy and Advocacy (Policy and Advocacy Subcommittee Chair – Amy Oosterink; committee members: Paige Swem, Ingham; Dave Weslowski, Bay; Kristina Dewey, BHSJ; Alex Bermooser, B/Hill/St.J.; Jill Keast, Muskegon)

Subcommittee is in support of the Tobacco Free Kids resolution. We can do this as a HEP Forum, but there is also a letter Paige Swem (PSwem@ingham.org) can share that individuals and organizations can sent to their [elected officials](#). Note, this would not be lobbying, but advocacy. For those interested in joining the Policy and Advocacy subcommittee, contact Amy Oosterink at amy.oosterink@kentcountymi.gov

Training and Education (Subcommittee Chair – Holly Young, VanBuren/Cass; committee members: Alyse Nichols, St Clair; Jill Keast, Muskegon)

Next training will be in November and will be an internal presenter. We are always looking for members for this subcommittee and suggestion for trainings. Reach out to Holly Young (hyoung@vbcassdhd.org) if interested.

Old Business

- Annual Meeting Debrief: Meeting went well for those who could attend. Overall, nice networking opportunity with a total of 18 people participating. If seeking CHES credits, attendees will need to complete the evaluation provided by Jodie Shaver.

New Business

- Group recommends Norm make a resolution to support restricting flavored tobacco. Motion: Tracy Metcalfe; 2nd Paige Swem. Motion Passes.
- Elections for the HEP Forum Executive Team will occur in the Fall. Tracey Metcalfe will ascend to Chair and Alyse Nichols will remain in her role as Treasurer/Secretary. A new Vice Chair is needed.
- Draft of HEP Forum poster presentation for the Michigan Premier Public Health Conference complete. Please look over and send feedback to Alyse Nichols (anichols@stclaircounty.org)

Presentation

- *Introduction to ACES*

Guest Speakers: Annette Mercatante, MD, MPH (MDHSS); Michelle Walters (MDHHS)

Meeting adjourned: 12:05 pm