MALEHA Environmental Health Forum

Minutes from March 19, 2020 Teleconference

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Vern Johnson*Kalamazoo CHD Tanya Rule*Western UP DHD

Rachel Stiening (associate) Kent CHD

Non-member Guests:

Sean Dunleavy MDARD
Jeremy Hoeh EGLE
Janine Whitmer MDHHS
Matt Gamble EGLE
Steve Crider MDHHS
George Kristian EGLE
Dana DeBruyn EGLE
Laura Remus LARA

- 1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Matt Bolang at 9:47 AM
- 2. **Approval of Agenda**: Motion to approve agenda by Chris Westover , support Joel Kwiatkowski Motion carried
- 3. **Approval of Minutes**: Motion to approve the minutes by Chris Westover, support Ken Bowen. Motion carried
- 4. Officer & Affiliate Reports
 - a. President's Report: None
 - b. Treasurer's Report: Motion by Eric Johnson, support by Ken Bowen to approve March Treasurer's Report. Motion carried

c. MALPH Report:

d. MEHA Report: AEC postponed

5. State Department Reports

EGLE

George Kristian: EGLE is working on reviewing what programs can be offered relief during this time and working with their partners. Significant emphasis this week on getting EGLE staff up and running on teleworking. PFAS Rulemaking moving forward

Dana DeBryun: Reviewing what can be unloaded in the Non community T2 Program. There is concern that DNR campsites are open but bathhouse are closed down, this is critical as snowbirds are moving back into Michigan and using campgrounds as seasonal residents. Dana mentioned that decisions regarding the Executive Order comes out of the SOEC and Governors Office. There is concern among LHD's that local labs are not accepting samples therefore monitoring violations will be issued however this is a Federal mandates program so Dane suggest LHD's complete reminder phonecalls to facilities. There is an EPA Region V call tomorrow.

Jeremy Hoeh: communicating with MPHI to discuss suspension of accreditation. Mentioned that the directive given to him is that EGLE should not be interpreting the EO, the Governor's Office provides the FAQ's posted on website

MDARD

Sean Dunleavy reports that MDARD is not a part of the interpretation of the EO. Enforcement of EO falls on law enforcement. Questions submitted to MDARD are forwarded to the SEOC for review. Liquor Control has extended licensure renewal for 30 days, MDARD is working toward an extension a minimum of 30 days but 60 days may be considered. MDARD facilities shave been notified they need to follow EO, for example seating inside a grocery store. There is a 1 pager information sheet being distributed to all Food Service and Food Establishments. In regards to Accreditation, see memo that went out, each LHD should detail what they cannot meet and what their needs are, this would include SA, missed frequency or other. An example would be if STFU only received 1 inspection or 0 inspection for prior licensing year. MDARD staff are considered essential staff and are conducting inspections. Matt Bolang requested that Food Law discussion be tabled.

MDHHS

Janine Whitmer will be providing our update on behalf of Laura DLR. Any questions for MDHHS will can be sent to Meghan Swain. Next Tuesday's MPART call will occur since the MCL Rule making is ongoing.

Steve Crider: Available for any LHD questions

LARA: Laura Remus reported that LARA is not directly involved with Executive Order interpretation. They are working on questions regarding EO 2020-13. They are deprioritizing inspections for healthcare / AFC/ childcare but constructing inspections are a high priority. Staff are developing wellness checklist to use as a type of triage to see if there is a nneed for an inspection at any facilities.

6. Committee Reports: None

7. External Workgroups w MALEHA Representation: None

8. Old Business: None9. New Business: None10. Items from Board:

a. New member welcome: Ian Nelson FH Director Delta Menominee

b. In the interim add J Whitmer and L Remus to the invite list for MDHHS and LARA

- 11. Items from Members: Ionia County noted that their phone numbers are being used in a Medicaid scam and the call backs from residents is clogging up their phonelines. Spencer Ballard offered to create a survey to capture data on how Sanitarians are being utilized as part of the COVID19 response discussion. The forum mentioned that sanitarian duties include customer service on County COVID19 hotlines, coordinating volunteers, thermometer distribution and OMS Contact calls. Most LHD are operating with none to limited EH duties. Joel at Bay County shared that Amalgam is offering a free license to use FETCH for COVID19 mapping. It is HIPPA compliant and could be used to map cases, contact and to identify hot spots.
- 12. Future Agenda Item: None discussed
- 13. Next Meeting will be an Informational Meeting for MALEHA Forum Tuesday March 24th 9AM teleconference and will continue as a Standard weekly meeting. Details to follow on an improved teleconference line. We appreciate Sean Dunleavy stepping in to assist this morning.

Motion by Chris Westover, support Vern Johnson to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 10:44 AM

Submitted by Liz Braddock 03/19/2020

Approved **06 18 2020**MALEHA Secretary **Liz Braddock**

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