

Yolo County Health Council

July 9, 2020

Minutes

EVAN PRIESTLEY, CHAIR
JENEBA LAHAI, VICE-CHAIR

YOLO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

GONZALEZ BUILDING, COMMUNITY ROOM

25 NORTH COTTONWOOD STREET,

WOODLAND, CA 95695

The Yolo County Health Council met on the 23rd Day of July 2020, at 9:00 a.m. via video or teleconferencing.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Wilkes, District 2; Carri Ziegler, District 3; Valerie Olson, District 5; Pat Moore-Pickett, At-Large Member; Celeste Armstrong, EMCC; Lori Duisenberg, First 5 Yolo; Kathleen Middings, MCAH Advisory Board; Jeneba Lahai, Yolo County Children’s Alliance; Nicki King, Local Mental Health Board; Evan Priestley, CommuniCare Health Centers; Jessica White, Elica Health Centers; Arzoo Mojadedi, Northern Valley Indian Health; Tammy Powers, Sutter Health; Stacey McCall, Winters Health Care; Tandy Burton, Woodland Health Care

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Barbara Boehler, District 4; John Tan, At-Large Member; Michelle Famula, At-Large Member; Dawn Myers, Commission on Aging & Adult Services; Mark Ho, Kaiser Permanente; Dustin Lyda, Partnership Healthplan of California;

STAFF & GUESTS PRESENT: Alanna Bares, HHSa; Jill Cook, County Administrator’s Office; Leigh Harrington, Medical Director of Behavioral Health; Mary Ann Limbos, Deputy Health Officer; Brielle Mansell, Public; Sherri Olswang, Woodland Health Care; Supervisor Don Saylor, District 2; Cyndi Sechler, Secretary, HHSa; Sara Simmons, Asst. Deputy to Supervisor Saylor; Tara Thronson, Deputy to Supervisor Saylor; John Troidl, Public; Brian Vaughn, Public Health Director, HHSa; Tia Will, Public; Brenda Wright, Northern Valley Indian Health

9:00 A.M. CALL TO ORDER

The July 23, 2020 Health Council meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. by Evan Priestley, Health Council Chair.

1. WELCOME – Evan Priestley, Health Council Chair

2. ROLL CALL – Cyndi Sechler, Health Council Secretary

Roll call for voting members was taken and quorum was confirmed.

3. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Evan Priestley, Health Council Chair

Motion: Michael Wilkes **Second:** Nikki King **Discussion:** None **Vote:** Unanimous

4. APPROVE THE JULY 9, 2020 MINUTES – Evan Priestley, Health Council Chair

Valerie Olson asked for the July 9th minutes to be amended on Item 10, as the letter was not sent.

Motion: Valerie Olson **Second:** Carri Ziegler **Discussion:** None **Vote:** Unanimous

5. STATE AND COUNTY UPDATE – Jill Cook, County Administrator’s Office

- **County Budget:** Since our last recommended budget in early June, the county has had several positive developments including increased property tax due to the assessment growth, and increase Proposition 172 factor for Public Safety Sales Tax, partial realignment backfill, and the receipt of CARES money to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic through the end of this calendar year. We believe we could close the adopted budget gap through some targeted reduction.

6. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS UPDATE – Supervisor Don Saylor, District 2

- **Resolution:** At the July 21st Board meeting, the Board of Supervisors voted to approve [Resolution No. 20-76](#) recognizing racism as a public health crisis. This is a topic that has been addressed by both the Health Council and the Local Mental Health Board. Supervisor Saylor suggested that the Health Council and the Local Mental Health Board receive the Resolution and would like Council to consider a discussion about ways to advance the purposes that are identified and addressed in the resolution.

There have been some ongoing discussions about the potential adoption of a second related resolution regarding the same issue and its impacts through the criminal justice system in Yolo County.

7. HEALTH OFFICER REPORT – Mary Ann Limbos, Interim Health Officer

- **Dashboard:** We are making changes on how we report cases on the Dashboard. The number of cases will be closer to what the state is reporting. As of July 22nd, Yolo County has 1,225 lab confirmed cases of COVID-19 which was an increase of 26 cases from the previous day.
- **Testing:** We are testing more residents, so our testing numbers are going up, and of those tests the percentage of positive cases are at 6-7 percent, and the positive test rate for the state is at 9 percent. We now have a webpage that is devoted to Yolo County COVID-19 testing, and it provides categories for testing options for residents with and without insurance. The webpage will be updated monthly. Test results from several of the commercial labs are significantly delayed in terms of 10-14 days of us receiving them. We are working toward a strategy for people to proactively isolate and quarantine once they have taken the test and waiting for their results. We are rolling out an Isolation and Quarantine Education Tool Kit that will be available on our website and we hope to distribute this at our testing sites as well as to local providers.
- **Contact tracing:** We are prioritizing our contact tracing because of the delay in testing results. We realize our energies should not be devoted in trying to contact every positive case; but rather those cases that are in high risk populations such as the long term care facilities, skilled nursing facilities, schools and child care, our industries and businesses that are showing clusters of employees with positive tests.
- **Schools reopening:** On July 17th, the state announced the criteria for schools reopening, and announced that schools will only be able to open for in-person instruction if they are located in a county that has been off the state's county monitoring list for 14 days. All other school districts that are in a county that is on the monitoring list will have to open with distance learning.

8. COMMUNITY HEALTH BRANCH REPORT – Brian Vaughn, Public Health Director

PowerPoint: [Yolo County COVID-19 Update](#)

- Some of the items covered included:
 - Local Data Update as of 7/22/2020
 - Regional Comparison: New Cases and Hospitalizations
 - Outbreak and Open Investigations
 - Outbreaks in Skilled Nursing Facilities and Shelters as of 7/19/2020
 - Contact Tracing Update
 - Testing for Mobile/Rural Testing
 - Testing Updates – Community Testing

9. HEALTH COUNCIL: NEXT STEPS – Evan Priestley, Health Council Chair

Evan suggested moving forward that we look at our meeting structure so that we have dedicated time to continue being the community sounding board for the COVID response, and also have opportunity to drive the bigger picture strategy in health equity work that we are striving for.

Evan proposed that the Council meets twice a month with the first meeting held on the second Thursday of each month for 2-hours. This would give the Council opportunity to get back to the strategic focus, health equity work, looking upstream, start to influence some of the larger systems that create different health outcomes, and hopefully reduce health disparities over time. The next meeting could be held on the fourth Thursday of each month for 1-hour with the meeting being more COVID response specific.

10. REPRESENTATIVE REPORT OUT & ANNOUNCEMENTS

No report outs or announcements from the Council representatives.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

John Troidl, Public – Dr. Brad Pollock appeared at a UC Center presentation along with Health Officer from Placer County, and a faculty member from UCSF recently, and he had great slides, and he had interesting things to say about preparations at UC Davis and systemwide. He would be a great speaker for the Health Council.

John is involved with students that are looking at different dashboards across the capitol region and bay area. In Santa Clara County, they have added to their dashboard reports on testing by provider. It is a good way of giving the health systems credit for work that they are doing contributing to the public health effort and recommends that Yolo County considers adding that feature to the dashboard.

ADJOURNMENT

12. NEXT MEETING – August 13, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Cyndi Sechler, Secretary
Yolo County Health Council