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AGENDA / MINUTES

Committee/Project/Meeting:		Genesee-Orleans Board of Health	
Date:	June 7, 2022	Recorder:	Laurie Skinner
Time:	4:00 p.m.		
Location:	Orleans County Health Department/Zoom		
Attendance: Mr. Grout, Mr. Miller, Dr. Obear, Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. Page, Mr. Torrey P. Pettit, B. Bedard, S. Senf, S. Balduf, K. Castricone, D. Bell, L. Skinner, S. Weber & Intern: Jessica Donath			
<u>AGENDA / TOPICS</u>		<u>DISCUSSION (CONCISE SUMMARY)</u>	
Minutes from April 5, 2022			Approved: Motion: Mrs. Page Second: Mr. Miller All members in favor.
Public Concerns/Discussions/ Presentations		Received a letter from a former resident of Orleans County. His concern is the low vaccination rate in Orleans County. His letter will be published in the Orleans Hub. Paul Pettit will respond to his concerns via letter.	No Action Required. Informational Only.
Division Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Health Report 		<p>As of June 6, 2022, Genesee County had over 16,659 laboratory confirmed COVID cases. Orleans County has had over 10,704 laboratory confirmed cases. We are seeing decreasing numbers in the community.</p> <p>Lead – We’ve been busy going out on new Blood Lead Level cases. Genesee County had three new elevations in April & May. Orleans County had 5 new elevations between April & May.</p> <p>Maternal Child Health Program – Referrals have been slow in both Counties.</p>	No Action Required. Informational Only.

	<p>Immunization clinics have been slow, but we expect them to pick up in the fall.</p> <p>TB – In Genesee County, we have 1 active Ocular case and 1 Latent case. In Orleans County, we have 3 active cases and 3 Latent cases. Two of the 3 active cases are Extrapulmonary, which involves more investigating to identify close contacts.</p> <p>Migrant Outreach – Going out Tuesdays & Thursdays with Oak Orchard Health. Communicable diseases have not been too bad. Have had a case of Typhoid in Orleans County involving a Migrant Farm Worker. We had to identify close contacts. Individual was living with 16 other folks who needed to be tested regularly to be sure they were not infected as well. None of the other household residents became infected and the case has cleared the infection.</p> <p>Wastewater Surveillance – Testing is done weekly on Tuesdays. Data is on the GO Health website as well as the NYS Department of Health Dashboard website.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Report 	<p>Orleans County had a drive thru rabies clinic on 6/4/2022 at the 4H Fairgrounds. We vaccinated 2 Ferrets, 61 Cats & 151 Dogs. We received \$138.50 in donations. Genesee County had their drive thru clinic on 5/19/22 and vaccinated 60 Cats & 205 Dogs. We received \$485.00 in donations.</p> <p>There are two new campgrounds; one in each County. In Orleans, Big Guys is located at 3739 County</p>	<p>No Action Required. Informational Only.</p>

	<p>Line Road at the Old Country Club. They are going to add a swimming pool. In Pavilion, the Lokee – Hikee Campground will be opening soon and will also have a pool. The GLOW YMCA in Batavia is tearing down the old structure, rebuilding and putting in a new pool with spray features.</p> <p>In Genesee County there is a Sanitarian vacancy, which we are looking to fill and will hold interviews for in the upcoming week.</p> <p>There are going to be changes to the NYS Sanitary Code. They are hoping that in 2023, the swimming pool code will be updated to include homeowners who want to rent out their pools. There is online marketing for a business called Swimply where you can find homeowners who rent out their swimming pools for an hourly fee.</p> <p>Effective 6/20/2022, pesticides, insecticides, herbicides, rodenticides and fungicides will have to be applied at least 30 days prior to the occupancy of any Children’s Camp.</p> <p>The Biden-Harris Administration has created the Justice 40 Initiative, which is a clean drinking water initiative. The EPA’s State Revolving Fund will put 40% of the benefit of the fund towards disadvantaged communities to upgrade the water infrastructure and protect water resources.</p> <p>Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) – will regulate the cannabis</p>	
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	<p>industry in NYS. They will handle licenses, cultivation, production, distribution, sales and taxation.</p> <p>Enforcements – Dollar General received a few ATUPA violations for selling cigarettes. There were 2 in Orleans and 1 in Genesee.</p> <p>Director of Environmental, Sarah Balduf shared that she will be retiring on 8/31/2022. We are accepting applications for her position.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial Report 	<p>Orleans County - 1st quarter of 2022 financials were sent out. State Aid for 1st quarter has already been paid. Should have an increase of revenue based on the new allowance of fringe benefits in the State Aid.</p> <p>Genesee County – 1st quarter of 2022 financials were sent out.</p>	No Action Required. Informational Only.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corporate Compliance Report 	<p>We had the G-O Health 5.0 training where we completed the annual Corporate Compliance training; 1 Genesee County & 2 Orleans County Employees still need to complete the training. All Board members will have to complete the Corporate Compliance training and return the attestation as well. There were no hotline calls or complaints in either County for this past quarter.</p>	No Action Required. Informational Only.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health Emergency Preparedness 	<p>During the 2021 calendar year, approximately 30,000 doses of COVID vaccine and 12,000 rapid tests were administered to local residents to help manage the pandemic.</p> <p>In January 2022, GO Health ceased to conduct contact tracing and case investigations, except for in school</p>	No Action Required. Informational Only.

	<p>settings. Isolation and quarantine orders also switched to being “self-service” only online.</p> <p>As of May 5, 2022, completion of baseline Equitable Vaccine Reports for each County to allow for FEMA reimbursement (approximately \$30,000 in Genesee and \$10,000 in Orleans)</p> <p>NYS PH Fellows - Beginning in April, all 3 “COVID-19 Specialists” transitioned to becoming NYS Public Health Fellows under supervision of the PHEP program.</p> <p>Deliverables and Preparedness Plan Documents - All PHEP Deliverables were submitted and accepted as prepared. 4th Quarter (due 6/30) involves review and update of PHEPR. Many plans under the PHEPR also being reviewed and updated (consistent with deliverables, general best practices, and also PHAB accreditation guidelines). Previous GO Health PHEPR was a combination of “Genesee HD PHEPR” and “Orleans HD PHEPR”. As of April 22, 2022, GO Health has a single integrated plan.</p> <p>Medical Reserves Corps (MRC) Reformulation - In mid-2021, Orleans VALOR MRC was expanded to specifically include Genesee, and has since been rebranded as GO Health VALOR MRC (Volunteer Alliance Linking Our Resources – Medical Reserve Corps). All staff contributing to COVID-19 response, either paid or unpaid, are now considered as “Legacy” GO Health MRC</p>	
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	<p>members. Future participation in emergency response operations to require “Active” membership status. Current outreach to Legacy MRC members plus registered ServNY members currently underway to help with Active membership promotion. In March 2022, a \$50,000 grant was awarded to GO Health MRC for purposes of “Respond, Innovate, Sustain, and Equip (RISE)”. Partial grant funds to include purchase of an inventory management system and a new preparedness app. Other funding reserved for training and outreach activities, as well as material equipment needs.</p> <p>Preparedness Apps - The past several years have observed many challenges with current mobile preparedness apps of Ready Genesee and Orleans Aware, hosted through Quickseries. A Request for Purchase (RFP) has been issued to procure new preparedness app platforms to host Ready Genesee and Orleans Aware.</p> <p>Academic and Professional Engagement - In April 2022, David Bell and Cora Young attended the NACCHO Preparedness Summit, which focused on national public health response to COVID-19. A poster titled “GO Health’ COVID-19 Response: Public Health Cross-Jurisdictional Sharing in Genesee and Orleans, NY” was presented.</p> <p>The NYS Public Health Fellow Consortium will be held in November 2022, with current presentations planned related to</p>	
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	<p>COVID POD management and/or MRC development activities, as two domains where NYSPH Fellow assistance has been invaluable to GO Health.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director's Report 	<p>Staffing – Genesee County – Sanitarian, Lead Educator & Environmental Director positions open. Orleans County – Full time Public Health Nurse and part time Nurse who works with DSS, who is hired through the Health Department. We have one summer Nursing Intern in Orleans County and 3 in Genesee County.</p> <p>Budget – Received Article 6 funding with fringe reimbursement. We are planning to leverage those funds to rework some positions in both Counties.</p> <p>CHA/CHIP – Finishing up surveys and community conversations. Met 1% State goal for Genesee and are just under for Orleans. We've done 8 in Genesee and 6 in Orleans. Once that has been completed, the data will be used to write the Community Health Assessment.</p> <p>PHAB – Documents have been submitted and are actively being reviewed by the Domain Review Committee. Currently are 41% reviewed. The review should be completed in July and we will be uploading to EPHAB from August-November.</p> <p>The Crisis Emergency Risk Plan (CERC) and Public Health Emergency Preparedness Response Plan's (PHEPRP) have been updated and finalized.</p>	<p>No Action Required. Informational Only.</p>

	<p>Strategic Plan - Specific activities have been added to our Strategic Plan; a new quarterly tracking sheet that was approved by the Leadership Team. The updated Strategic Plan is in the VMSG, our performance management software system. We will send out the quarterly reports to the Board of Health for review. The updated Strategic Plan will also be emailed to the Board of Health.</p> <p>Healing Communities Grant (Genesee) – Our participation in the study will begin in July. Will provide an update on our activities with the grant at the next Board meeting in August.</p> <p>Opioid Settlement Funds – No new action. Still waiting to hear from NYS on how the funds will roll out.</p> <p>Transportation Coordinator – Carla Aceto, started on 6/6/2022. This position will take the place of VMC for Genesee, Orleans & Livingston Counties. Carla will manage the busing, routing, bill and any complaints.</p> <p>Emily Penrose is working on the Annual report for 2021; it is in the process of being finalized.</p> <p>Healthy Neighborhood’s Grant (Genesee) – going to the Legislature for approval on 6/8/2022. Will have a Sanitarian working on the program for the next 5 years.</p> <p>Radon Grant (Genesee) – have recently received the grant and will</p>	
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	<p>start in July. Will be able to purchase Radon test kits.</p> <p>Lead – No update on NYS lowering the Blood Lead Level to 3.5 from 5.0. Workload will increase tremendously once the level is decreased.</p>	
Old Business	No old business to discuss.	
New Business	No new business to discuss.	
Other		
Adjournment		<p>Motion: Mrs. Page Second: Mr. Miller All members in favor.</p>
Next meeting: Genesee County/Zoom August 2, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.		