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## AGENDA / MINUTES

<b>Committee/Project/Meeting:</b>		Genesee-Orleans Board of Health	
<b>Date:</b>	February 7, 2023	<b>Recorder:</b>	Samantha Weber
<b>Time:</b>	4:00 p.m.		
<b>Location:</b>	Genesee County Health Department/Zoom		
Attendance: Paul Pettit, Brenden Bedard, Paul Grout, Darren Brodie, Kimberly Castricone, Kelly Rose Nichols, DO. , Mary Obear, MD., Deanna Page, Fred Miller, Debbie Krenzer-Lewter, Samantha Weber (Zoom Gregg Torrey)			
<u><b>AGENDA / TOPICS</b></u>		<u><b>DISCUSSION (CONCISE SUMMARY)</b></u>	<u><b>ACTION / NEXT STEPS</b></u>
<b>Election of Officers and Setting of 2023 Meeting Dates/Times.</b>		Election of officers: Pres: Paul Grout VP: Deanna Page  BOH meeting schedule approved for time and places.	M: Kelly S: Fred
<b>Minutes from February 7, 2022</b>		Approved w/ minor corrections	M:Deanna S: Kelly
<b>Public Concerns/Discussions/ Presentations</b>		None to report	
<b>Division Reports</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Community Health Report</li></ul>		Immunizations: Covid and routine Immunization clinics remain slow. Covid clinics are by apt only in both counties. GC on Wednesday & OC on Thursday. GC has been doing a fair amount of Pre-exposure Rabies for the college students going into the vet tech program.  MCH: very limited referrals GC is getting 1 to 2 a week.  TB: No active cases currently. OC Currently no active cases. Two cases were discharged last month. (Jan) GC Currently no active cases but evaluating a case for latent TB – telehealth with MCHD.  Lead: GC has had 3 new elevated lead levels 2 of which	

are twins.  
OC has 1 new elevation.

Migrant: OC – waiting on a meeting with Oak Orchard to discuss the upcoming season.

General Communicable diseases have been slow.  
Nothing to significant.

Healing Communities and Opioid related issues:

Healing Communities is through GC working with NYSDOH to get additional capacity for GIS and statistical analysis of EMS data & OD responses.

OD related issues: It is looking like fatal Opioid OD are likely on a rise in GC with 9 confirmed fatal Opioid OD in 2022. We are still waiting on 13 additional case that are still pending. OC is a bit better with only 1 confirmed Opioid OD in 2022 but still waiting on 6 pending cases. We have requested that MC ME get the urinalysis data to us with in a month of death to at least let us know if and individual had Opioids in their system. To see if they are possible OD's...

Waste water analysis program – currently doing 7 different waste water treatment sites throughout both counties. We are doing twice a week on one of the sites (NYS requirement). We are currently doing analysis for Covid, & influenza A & B. We stated influenza testing in January. We are working on a dash board for our website to show each place we are going the sampling on, Covid and Flu related information in regards to the

	<p>waste water analysis. We are also participating in a Pilot project regarding waste water surveillance at two nursing homes 3x wk. looking FLU A &amp; B /RSV/COVID. This will be a 3 month pilot project. To participate in the program we will be receiving special equipment for that (PCR machine for rapid analysis). We were one of 5 site nationally to be selected. No Flu B detected yet.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Environmental Report</li> </ul>	<p>Rabies program schedule for 2023 set for both counties. Free Rabies clinics 4 set for each county. GC is holding their first on 2/9/23 at the highway department; the remaining will be at the fairgrounds.</p> <p>OC has a position opening in for an Environmental Health Specialist. Looking to fill this position soon with his last 3/3/23. The Rabies vaccination process has shifted to the hospitals for both counties. Making the administering of shots more efficient for all parties. The 24hr/after-hours policy has been adjusted.</p> <p>Smoking waivers are set to expire at the end of March 2023.</p> <p>ATTUPA:  Program review: No major findings on how we conduct compliance checks.  We are finding issues with flavored vapes and new smoke shops that are popping up. We are getting some complaints and finding some things when we conduct our compliance. Flavor vapes are not permitted in NYS. We are having our agents ask for the flavored vapes too. We are still getting purchases for tobacco as well.</p>	

	<p>Some other issues we are aware of: We are starting to see flavored cannabis products that are showing up as well. NYS has clear regulations on tobacco products but not on cannabis at this time.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Financial Report</li> </ul>	<p>OC: 3<sup>rd</sup> Qt. report provided to keep BOH updated. Currently working on finishing up the 2022 balances and finances. Also working on the 2023 State Aid application.</p> <p>GC: Currently finishing up the 4<sup>th</sup> Qt. and will provide the final financials for 2022 at the next BOH meeting. Finishing up the State Aid application for 2023 that is due at the end of February.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Corporate Compliance Report</li> </ul>	<p>We were supposed to have a county wide meeting in January but that was cancelled. We do not know of any updates yet for the compliance plan. We have not had any other issues or hotline calls to report</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children with Special Health Care Needs</li> </ul>	<p>GC 123 rerolled in the Early Intervention program.</p> <p>OC 81 rerolled in the Early Intervention program.</p> <p>Preschool Supportive Health Services GC 187 OC not avail.</p> <p>Batavia City Schools has been approved to have 5 center based preschool special education classrooms. They started in 2022 and is going well. We are seeing an issue with busing so some are children are unable to get there... We are working with families for "Parent Mileage" to take their children to and from School. Letters have been sent out to encourage families to use the Parent mileage to get their children to the program. While in turn freeing up some of the bussing issues.</p> <p>We continue to have a wait list for Early intervention and</p>	

	<p>Preschool. Speech and OT seem to be the main services in need, but we are seeing a need in all areas for more providers. This continues to be a problem, NYS is aware but currently do not have an answers. NYS looking for ways to address the issue outside of raising the pay.</p> <p>2/15/2023 OC Early Intervention program in being reviewed by NYSDOH.</p> <p>We have a new Transportation Coordinator – Carla Aceto. She has discovered some discrepancies with the transportation invoices. The Bus Company has been over charging for many of the routes and is calculating the exact amount to be recouped.</p> <p>RFP(s) for bussing has been sent out to cover the GLO reigns needs for next year (2023-2024).</p> <p>Children &amp; Youth with special Health Care needs (CYSHCN) Grant: They have actually increased the funds for both counties but have requested a ½ time position devoted to the program in both counties. We Looked to outsource this demand since we do not have the staffing to meet this need. WNY Independent Living is very interested; we have worked through a contract with them and they have hired someone to take on the role full time to meet the ½ time need of both counties.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Director's Report</li> </ul>	<p><b>Staffing:</b> OC We are still looking for a Public Health Nurse, and now the Environmental Health</p>	

	<p>Specialist that will need to be fill soon as well.</p> <p>GC We have a Public Health Educator vacancy currently working through 6 applications. Hoping to fill this very soon.</p> <p>NYS Budget:</p> <p>Executive budget came out about a week ago and not showing much in the way of Public Health. The biggest focus is around LEAD with some proposals around adding some additional regulations – focusing on housing and not lowering levels any further!...There was some talk of meeting the CDC standard of 3.5 but 5 is still difficult enough to manage on our level currently.</p> <p>They have been looking at the Monroe County Model. They have local laws within the county (15-16 yrs. Now). They require certified lead testing to be done every 3 years for residential properties that contain 2 or more unites. This does not apply to single family homes but does for multiple dwelling properties or apartments. Anything pre 1980 would be required to have a certified lead risk assessment done every 3 years. It would have to be certified Lead Safe and if they are not they would be required to make the property lead safe. The State is looking to adopt this model across the State. It is not currently being designated State wide but currently looking at 19 High lead zone areas.</p> <p>They are looking to start this within in the next few years. If it goes well then it will be rolled out state wide. Logistics for this process are being discuss and how to mitigate the cost.</p>	
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	<p>In addition the State is also looking to reallocate the Medicaid funds and not pass along to the local departments.</p> <p>1115 Waiver: It was not mentioned by the Governor or the budget but is still there. Hoping to hear more in April of this year. The expectation is that the funds may not be as much as originally anticipated/applied for. Regionally we land in the middle between the Finger Lakes and Western region.</p> <p>Preparedness: The RV's (1 in OC &amp; 1 in GC) have been ordered and are being processed. Expect to have them in early June.</p> <p>The inventory management system is up and running it's being utilized for our widgets for better tracking.</p> <p>Our Preparedness apps. GC: Genesee Ready OC: Orleans aware Are being revamped and should be ready to launch in March for an April 1 2023 Launch date.</p> <p>PHAB: We have hit the button – formally submitted the application. We are in the process now where they are review all of the documentation that has been uploaded. We have been assigned a new PHAB specialist – Joshua Picora. We are expecting the site visit to tentatively be in June – a 2 day process one onsite and one virtual. We will keep everyone updated on this.</p> <p>We have implemented a workplace betterment</p>	
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	<p>committee. To help reduce office clutter and improve the physical office atmosphere. In addition the staff meetings are also being used to educate on PHAB.</p> <p>The expectation is that by the end of the year we will be Accredited.</p> <p>Masking mandate: Emergency orders to laps in a few weeks (2/12/2023). Organizations can still uphold the standard but would not be required.</p> <p>The Flu mandate is still a law mandate for unvaccinated staff.</p> <p>CDC infrastructure Planning Grant: We do expect to get that soon. Funds from the CDC being passed through NYSDOH. To be used for PH staffing for recruitment, retention, retention bonuses, training, and professional development. We will be coming to the Legislature once we receive the final approval and set the budget up and authorize it for our staff.</p> <p>Open meetings Law: We have been made aware that with the new meeting laws that we have to have a quorum in person. Restrictions for not being able to attend in person (zoom). (good through July 2024)</p>	
<b>Old Business</b> •	None to report.	
<b>New Business</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2023 Videoconferencing Resolution</li> <li>• 2023 Videoconferencing Procedure</li> <li>• After-hours Notification policy</li> <li>• GC Smoking Waiver (every 2yrs)</li> </ul>		M: Kelly    S: Fred M: Kelly    S: Fred M: Mary    S: Deanna M:Deanna S: Fred Approved



<b>Other</b>	NA	
<b>Adjournment</b>		M: Kelly S: Fred Approved
<b>Next meeting:</b> Genesee County/Zoom April 4, 2023 at 4:00 p.m		