



PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (PHAB) MEETING MINUTES

October 13, 2022, 3 – 5:30 pm

Attendance

Board members present:

Rachael Banks, Dean Sidelinger, Bob Dannenhoffer, Veronica Irvin, Jackie Leung, Kelle Little, Sarah Present, Jeanne Savage, Jawad Khan

Board members absent:

Mike Baker, Carrie Brogoitti, Ryan Petteway, Nic Powers, Erica Sandoval, Jocelyn Warren

Oregon Health Authority (OHA) staff:

Cara Biddlecom, Sara Beaudrault, Tamby Moore, Victoria Demchak, Charina Walker

Meeting objectives:

- Approve September meeting minutes
- Discuss PHAB subcommittees
- Review Strategic Data Plan subcommittee charter
- Review PHAB charter and bylaws
- Discuss prioritization for public health modernization funding in the 2023-25 biennium

3:00-3:10 pm Welcome, board updates, shared agreements and agenda review

Veronica Irvin, *PHAB Chair*

No new members, icebreaker: share an acronym you use and members will guess over the break.

Updates from PHAB Chair: Eventually, PHAB will get a new liaison from the Oregon Health Policy Board (OHPB). Working to balance OHPB member workload. Health Equity Committee is also working on revising charter and membership.

Veronica's discussion with OHPB covered some questions that that came from this group.

- Who sets priorities?
 - o OHPB's priorities are set by the Governor's Office and broadly at the OHPB annual retreat. Consider the subcommittees as fairly independent and the OHPB should be supporting subcommittees in their aspirations.
- OHPB would like more bidirectional communication with PHAB. PHAB members are invited to meet with other subcommittee members and present work to the board.
- PHAB is ahead of schedule compared to other subcommittees in revising its charter and bylaws.
 - o OHPB is very favorable to PHAB moving forward and encourages PHAB to move forward in alignment or along with more language coming out about health equity from the HEC. HEC is continuing its work in November.

Workforce assessment

- OHA contracted the workforce needs assessment to OSU. Veronica is adding a public health workforce needs assessment beyond the usual health care provider assessment. Incorporating CLHO, PH WINS, etc. Invites more information and feedback to the new public health section from PHAB.

3:10 – 3:55 pm Charter and bylaws Discussion

Bob Dannenhoffer, *Charter and Bylaws workgroup*

Charter revisions

- The main body of the charter is organized by statute (left column) and right – how PHAB defines and fulfills those statutory requirements. PHAB cannot modify the left column, but this group reviewed the right column. There have been several years since the last revision, and this requires some updating.
- Discussion included appreciation of the new definitions, consideration of CBOs, connection to OHPB. Most members present were engaged in the revision and were curious about responses from those not involved in the process.
- Members decided to hold off on voting since few of the members who were not involved in the charter and bylaws workgroup were present. Veronica requested that members come having read the charter at the November meeting.

Bylaws revision

- Cara walked through the proposed changes to the bylaws and commented that the Health Equity Committee of the OHPB is doing a considerable amount of work on engaging practices for the charter.
- Cara proposed that the PHAB either consider approving membership changes and pause on adopting the charter, or adopt proposed membership changes with the charter, knowing that the charter may need another update within the next few months.
- Sarah shared concern about LPHA administrator members needing to weigh in on the membership changes to the bylaws, and also that without the membership changes proposed in the bylaws, the charter changes related to CBOs may not be well supported.
- **Support for holding a vote in November for bylaws and charter.**
 - o Provide a note in the November meeting that we need a quorum. Please read ahead of time and give your votes in advance.

3:55-4:25 Subcommittee updates

Public health accountability metrics subcommittee

Jeanne Savage, Accountability Metrics Subcommittee

- Jeanne reviewed the meeting materials. The metrics include a non-hierarchical focus. She discussed the general image and its arrangement, the focus on the public health system functions.
- Sarah shared that the tiers helps make a clearer argument for funding/defunding and helps move system conversation forward.
- Jeanne stated the need to walk potential metrics and sets of metrics through this framework. The subcommittee would need to bring a group of possible metrics, work with CLHO, then bring to PHAB. Will have to prioritize with PHAB as a whole, incorporating community input.

4:25-4:35 pm Break

4:35-5:10 pm Public health modernization investment prioritization

Cara Biddlecom, Oregon Health Authority

- Cara reviewed the process used to develop the 2023-25 Public Health Modernization POP
 - o Public health modernization POP proposal is for \$286 million for 2023-25
 - o PHAB communicated priorities for the POP in January 2022
 - o LPHAs requested \$100M, CBOs requested \$100M, Tribes requested \$30M, \$10M for reproductive health provider network support. The remainder goes to OHA to support this work and its own portion of modernization.
- But the approved funding may be different – it has frequently been different than the OHA proposal (both up and down). Staff requests PHAB recommendations to figure out how to scale investments given possible different proposals and future.
 - o If the amount is different, possible general scaling would be: (a) proportionally, (b) each group scales own investments, (c) PHAB identifies priorities for scaling across the public health system
 - o Discussion centered on C:
 - PHAB could prioritize certain foundational capabilities or foci: data systems, scope and scale for different partners.
 - Sarah Present: 3 sectors looking for funding. Proportional scaling might be problematic. Might be hard to prioritize but would be fairest.

- Cara shared that while the new Governor is being elected, that person may have their own priorities and these will also be articulated in the Governor’s Recommended Budget. PHAB would have to work with the budget and priorities as proposed.
 - Sarah asked about the Incentives and Funding subcommittee and it was confirmed that the subcommittee’s role is to develop the LPHA funding formula but that role could grow in the future.
 - Veronica confirmed that the Incentives and Funding Subcommittee could be the correct committee to review POP priorities.
 - Cara shared that PHAB’s statutes are just about a LPHA funding formula. Can consider the subcommittee looking at public health funding more broadly moving forward, but LPHA funding formula remains in statute. PHAB also needs to work in accordance with OHA’s Tribal Consultation and Confer Policy.
 - Sara shared that PHAB has also come up with funding principles that could be overarching. The Incentives and Funding committee could expand their scope. Some of those conversations have been waiting on PHAB charter update.
 - Cara shared that the PHAB’s membership proposal and bylaws also come into making decisions on funding the public health system partners. Could be worth some more unpacking.
- Staff will look at what kind of preparation we could need for this, so PHAB could review programmatic work included in the POP.
 - Will continue discussion in November.

5:10 – 5:20 pm Public Comment

Veronica Irvin, *PHAB Chair*

- No public comments provided

5:20 – 5:30 pm Next meeting agenda items and adjourn

Veronica Irvin, *PHAB Chair*

- November agenda will include proposed changes to the charter and bylaws; public health modernization POP and scaling
- Next meeting will be Thursday, November 10 from 3 – 5:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.