



# NORTH SHORE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health

Serving the communities of Bayside, Brown Deer, Fox Point,  
Glendale, River Hills, Shorewood and Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin

4800 W. Green Brook Dr.  
Brown Deer, WI 53223

May 17th, 2018

The North Shore Board of Health meeting was called to order on May 17th, 2018 at 7:03pm by Ann Christiansen.

## 1. Roll call

Present: Barbara Bechtel, RN, BSN; Ann Christiansen, MPH; Claudia Altman, MD; Gary Lewis, MD; Debesh Mazumdar, MD; Christopher Simenz, PhD; Bruce Weiss, MD, MPH;  
Absent: Mary Jo Baisch PhD, RN; Jennifer Evertsen, MS

## 2. Persons desiring to be heard

There were no persons desiring to be heard.

## 3. Approval of March 22nd Minutes

**Gary Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes from May 22nd, 2018; the motion was seconded by Chris Simenz and approved by full Board.**

## 4. Health Department Administrative Items

### a. Staffing Update

Ann Christiansen updated the BOH on several staffing changes. She reported that Randie Parks, RN retired as a part-time Public Health Nurse on May 1<sup>st</sup>. The department then hired Kala Hardy, RN as a full-time Public Health Nurse who started on May 7<sup>th</sup>. Recruitment will begin for a part-time Administrative Assistant to replace Mary Witman who retired in January. Ms. Christiansen also reported that the Ozaukee County Board approved our shared services agreement for registered sanitarian services. With this agreement we will contract for 16 hours a week for additional sanitarian support.

Ms. Christiansen added the news that Mary Jo Baisch was stepping down as Board of Health representative from Shorewood. Ms. Christiansen will work with the Village to find another person to represent Shorewood.

### b. Wisconsin Public Health Association/North Shore Health Department

Ann Christiansen reported on the involvement of the health department in the annual conference. Ms. Christiansen reported that Kim Schneider will be part of a panel presentation with staff from the State's Lead Poisoning Prevention Program. The presentation will showcase

our toolkit and help communities develop their own similar materials for healthcare providers. Ms. Christiansen and Kathleen Platt, Nurse Supervisor are also co-authors on a poster presentation by UW-Milwaukee Zilber School of Public Health graduate student, Christina Khoury entitled, *Social Isolation and Health Status Among Older Adults in Greater Milwaukee*.

### **c. Discuss and approve 2018 Agreement for Public Health Services**

Ann Christiansen reported that the Village Managers and Glendale City Administrative have agreed to advance our Agreement with their respective Boards and the City Council. As part of the process the BOH also must approve the agreement. The BOH discussed that while the formula was not based solely on per capita, it does improve on the previous formula by placing a greater portion of the communities' payments based their population (65%) and that the communicable disease investigations are a reasonable way to calculate "usage" (35%). The BOH moved forward with approving the agreement.

**Barb Bechtel moved forward the motion for the North Shore Board of Health to approve the Agreement for Public Health Services. The motion was seconded by Debesh Mazumdar and approved by the full Board of Health.**

## **5. Legislative Update**

- 1. Review and approve Resolution of Support: 2018: Support for North Shore Health Department to provide outreach and education on potential exposures to lead in the seven communities of the North Shore and to investigate cases of elevated blood lead levels.**

Per the BOH's request at the March meeting, Ms. Christiansen redrafted a potential resolution in support of our work on lead poisoning prevention. The BOH stated that the drafted resolution was reflective of our two major activities with regard to lead poisoning prevention. One is to continue to provide outreach and education to parents, healthcare providers, and others about the various risks of exposure in our region. Secondly, to continue our process for following up on all children with elevated blood lead levels. The BOH moved forward with passing the resolution.

**Bruce Weiss made a motion to approve Resolution of Support: 2018: Support for North Shore Health Department to provide outreach and education on potential exposures to lead in the seven communities of the North Shore and to investigate cases of elevated blood lead levels. The motion was seconded by Barbara Bechtel and approved by the full Board of Health.**

## **6. Update on the North Shore Community Health Improvement Plan – Save the Date – July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

The NSHD will host our first Community Conversation on July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The event will take place at the Audubon Nature Center from 3-6:30pm. Ms. Christiansen reported the department

is working with a person from Visual Leverage to help facilitate and organize the information gathered from the event. Ms. Christiansen asked everyone to come to the event to hear what the community is saying about health and well-being and to be part of the discussion.

## **7. Reports and Discussion**

### **1. Vaccine Preventable Disease – mumps and measles**

Ann Christiansen reported several contact investigations the department was involved with for measles and mumps. The department has two action items as a follow-up to these investigations. One is to further educate clinics on testing for immunity. A clinic ordered an incorrect titer and thus one contact was in isolation longer than necessary while the clinic had to run additional tests on the sample. Second is the department will send a memo to first responders stating the importance of having their documentation of immunity for measles and mumps, given the potential for exposure in the community.

## **8. Injury Prevention**

### **1. Fall Prevention – Stepping On Program**

Ms. Christiansen updated on the grant the department received from the Wisconsin Institute for Healthy Aging. Kathy Platt and two people from North Shore Fire/Rescue were trained as Stepping On leaders. Their first class will be held at Deerwood Crossing in Brown Deer in June.

### **2. Opioid Overdoses – Update on the burden of overdoses in the North Shore**

Ms. Christiansen shared information on the number of overdose fatalities and overdoses for 2015-2017. She noted that the total number of opioid-related fatalities has increased from eight in 2015 to 17 in 2017. She additionally noted that these deaths occurred across the North Shore rather than being isolated in one or two communities.

## **9. Scheduling of next meeting and location**

**Next Meeting will occur on Thursday, August 16th, 2018 – Brown Deer Office.**

## **10. Adjournment:**

**There was a motion to adjourn by Barbara Bechtel and seconded by Debesh Mazumdar at 8:25 approved by the full Board.**

Dated: August 9th<sup>th</sup>, 2018 ALC