



# 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 Green Brook Dr.  
Brown Deer, WI 53223

May 18th, 2017

The North Shore Board of Health meeting was called to order on May 18th, 2017 at 7:02 pm by Ann Christiansen.

**1. Roll call**

Present: Claudia Altman, MD, Barbara Bechtel, RN, BSN, Jennifer Eversen, MS, Debesh Mazumdar, MD, Bill Warner, Gary Lewis, MD, and Ann Christiansen, MPH.  
Absent: Mary Jo Baisch, PhD, RN, Christopher Simenz, PhD

**2. Persons Desiring to be heard**

There were no persons desiring to be heard.

**3. Approval of March 23<sup>rd</sup> Minutes**

**Dr. Mazumdar made a motion to approve the minutes from March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017; the motion was seconded by Mr. Warner and approved.**

**4. Health Department Administrative Items**

**a. Review and Discuss Community Health Assessment draft pages and discuss next steps**

Ms. Christiansen presented examples pages from the quantitative component of the North Shore Community Health Assessment. She discussed the framework of the CHA being the County Health Ranking Model where health outcomes are influenced by a multitude of factors, including social and economic factors, the physical environment, health behaviors and clinical care. The Board discussed the demographic data, highlighting the diversity of the North Shore compared to the State overall. The Board also discussed the mortality burden from cancer for residents. There was discussion about whether higher breast and prostate cancer rates are the result of increased access to care in the North Shore. Other items of note are the higher rate of asthma-related hospitalizations, as well as total hospitalizations. Again, the Board questioned whether these indicators suggested high access to care versus increased disease burden.

Ms. Christiansen discussed the next phase of the Community Health Assessment process being key informant interviews. She said she would like all

Board members to be interviewed in the coming months and invited suggestions for people and organizations within the North Shore that we should contact.

- b. Update on Funding Formula discussion with Managers/City Administrator**  
Ms. Christiansen updated the Board that the Village Managers and Glendale City Administrator continue to discuss the NSHD funding formula. There continues to be interest in revising the formula based on a portion of fixed costs and per capita. The Board advised Ms. Christiansen to continue working on the issue and to update the Board on progress at the next meeting.

- c. Update on BOH Resolution to Joint Finance Committee in support of communicable disease funding for local health departments.**

Ms. Christiansen updated the Board on the completion and dissemination of the resolution. Ms. Christiansen sent copies of the resolution to all Wisconsin Assembly Representatives and State Senators representing residents living in the North Shore.

- d. Update on Accreditation process and documents.**

Ms. Christiansen updated the Board on progress toward accreditation readiness. She stated that staff had been updating and creating policies and procedures for areas like environmental health response, maternal and child health programs, and general administrative procedures. Health department staff were also working on QI projects as part of our accreditation readiness and beginning to review the PHAB Domains to determine what evidence was currently available to support the various domains.

- e. Upcoming student placements at NSHD – Zilber and College of Nursing**

Mr. Christiansen updated the Board on the continuing work of Kris Peterka, doctoral student with the College of Nursing. Ms. Peterka will work with an MPH student from the Zilber School of Public Health on key informant interviews for the Community Health Assessment throughout the summer.

## **5. North Shore Environmental Health Consortium**

- a. Update on approval of the revised Food Safety and Recreational Licensing ordinance**

The Consortium has had the ordinance approved by four of the seven communities. The remaining communities will schedule the ordinance for passage later in the summer after review by their respective legal counsels.

- b. Update on adding Glendale to NSEHC**

Ms. Christiansen updated the group on the process for adding Glendale to the NSEHC. We are reviewing the need to bring on additional staff to support the

additional workload. Once we receive the final license information for the 2017-2018 license year, we will have a better idea of our workforce needs.

## **6. Reports and Discussion**

### **a. Disease Control and Prevention -Hantavirus Investigation**

Ms. Christiansen updated the Board that the investigation into the Hantavirus has ended for the North Shore. All quarantines have been lifted based on negative test results.

Dr. Mazumdar inquired about an increase in the number of tick-related viruses. He was concerned about recent news reports on an increase in people acquiring the Powassan virus via ticks. Ms. Christiansen reported that we have not seen any POW cases in the North Shore. The 2016 cases were located in the northern and western part of the state.

### **b. Environmental Health**

**I. Shorewood Boil Water Advisory** – Ms. Christiansen updated the Board on a boil water advisory that occurred on April 25<sup>th</sup>. NSHD staff contacted all impacted businesses licensed by the NSHD to alert them to not use the water. The NSHD also posted the advisory on our social media outlets. Staff answered questions from residents about the advisory and provided guidance on ways to minimize risk. Staff developed an After Action Report to help us identify opportunities for improvement. One recommendation for future events is to create talking points for department staff who respond to questions via the phone. This ensures everyone is conveying the same message.

**II. Asking the Questions Parent Survey Results** – Ms. Christiansen shared parent survey results from the grant-funded program, Asking the Questions. Parents were asked about their experiences with having their children receive a blood lead level test and whether they were asked any lead risk screening questions. Almost a quarter of responding parents whose children had at least one or more risk factors said they either don't remember or did not have a blood lead test done. Half of parents with at least one risk factor were not asked if they had any of risks. Our next steps are to complete a toolkit for pediatric healthcare providers with information on who may be at risk for lead poisoning, information on current state and national guidelines for screening, and materials for parents on screening and information on what to do with the results. The grant from the Wisconsin of Health Services will end July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

### **c. Injury Prevention**

#### **-Safe School Zone – Pedestrian Safety Grant update**

Ms. Christiansen provided a progress report on the Safe School Zone grant. The NSHD hosted a two-day workshop with Village of Shorewood

staff, school leaders, Safe Kids Southeast WI, and an engineer from Lee Engineering. The workshop was a comprehensive review of the pedestrian and bicycle safety concerns in the Village of Shorewood. At the conclusion of the workshop we decided on environmental modifications along Capitol Dr. and along Morris Blvd to reduce traffic speed along these roads. The next step is to price out what these modifications will cost and have them reviewed and approved by the Village of Shorewood Board of Trustees.

**-Opioid Overdose efforts**

The NSHD has been partnering with Medical College of Wisconsin to develop a card for EMS providers to be used county-wide. The department has also been in discussions with MCW, the WI Department of Health Services, and other local health departments in Milwaukee County on developing a County-wide Opioid Death Review Team.

**d. Public Health Emergency Preparedness**

Ms. Christiansen updated the Board on an upcoming tabletop exercise on June 6<sup>th</sup> focusing on activating a mass vaccination clinic for Meningitis. The NSHD has been an active part of the regional exercise design committee for this exercise.

7. Our next meeting is scheduled for August 24<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 pm in Shorewood.
8. There was a motion to adjourn by Barbara Bechtel at 8:20pm, seconded by Bill Warner and approved.

Dated: August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 ALC