



Franklin Regional Council of Governments

Meeting: Cooperative Public Health Service Oversight Board

Date: Thursday, January 17, 2019	Location: FRCOG	Facilitator: Kathie Benson, Co-Chair
Time: 5:00- 7:00 PM	Room: Allen Mtg Room	# to call with: 413-834-0420

Present:	Hussain Hamdan, Hawley	Staff:
Marti Taft-Ferguson, Buckland	Regrets:	Andrea Crete, Health Director
Doug Telling, Charlemont	Betsy Kovacs, Heath	Randy Crochier, Food Safety Agent
Marie Iken, Conway	Absent:	Lisa White, Public Health Nurse
Maggie Rice, Rowe	Deerfield	Phoebe Walker, FRCOG
Kathie Benson, Leyden	Monroe	Guests:
Terry Estes, Buckland	Gill	Greg Lewis, MAPHCO
Doug Telling, Charlemont	Shelburne	Michael Nelson, DPH OPEM

Agenda Item	Person
Minutes	Minutes from October and December meeting approved with one abstention.
Public Health Nursing Report	Lisa reported that our total number of those vaccinated this year was 1,019 – a 100 person increase from last year – congrats all around on building community immunity! The top three clinics were the Deerfield Elementary Clinic (170), the Mohawk EDS drill/clinic (120), and the Shelburne Falls Senior Center (127). Lisa mentioned that she is looking at adding Shingrix next year, and will be back later to discuss that with the Board, as it is not approved by Medicare, but is for those over 50 who use commercial insurance. Kathie asked that we get an update on the tick test data for 2018 for the next meeting.
Board of Health Emergency Responsibilities and Web EOC Training	<p>Greg Lewis gave an overview of Board of Health emergency preparedness responsibilities. The group discussed the challenge of preparing for unpredictable emergencies (unlike the old binders for nuclear disasters that those in the Yankee emergency area got), and the need for relationship building and preparation for the impacts of the emergencies, since that is where our BOHs generally get involved (moldy houses after floods, melted food in restaurants after power outages, etc..). Suggestion was made to Greg to add a fourth column in his presentation tables with plain language examples of the impacts of different emergencies on boards of health.</p> <p>Michael Nelson provided a tour of WebEOC. All were encouraged to log on over the weekend during the snowstorm and see how it is used.</p>
Budget 2020	Phoebe reviewed the budget revenues and expenses for FY20, and updated folks on developments since the December. Hussain moved and Marie seconded the budget for

	2020. Approved unanimously.
Health Director Report	<p>Revised Regional Well Policy for district – this policy was brought back with the changes requested at the last meeting and was moved by Doug, seconded by Marti. Adopted unanimously.</p> <p>Septic Installer Policy: There was significant discussion and some amendments on the revised policy for how a new septic installer can become permitted with the district. This included making the language about number of installers required to be apprenticed under more flexible, with more left to the discretion of the health director. The revised policy was moved by Hussain, seconded by Doug, and voted unanimously, with Conway abstaining since they do not participate in the Title 5 & Private Well Program.</p>
Food Safety Program Report	Randy and Andrea are nearly done with the FDA Standardization Process, after which they will be able to train other food inspectors. We are working with the Standardized inspector in Berkshire County to audit our grant paperwork. Marti requested another Food Safety workshop soon.
Member Updates	We ran out of time, but had a brief discussion of the cannabis house party events that are happening in Buckland and Charlemont (mailing list -only, \$10 to get in, multiple vendors, public consumption). If there is food for sale, we need to inspect, otherwise not clear there is any BOH issue with these events, though there is for the CCC and zoning.