



Franklin Regional Council of Governments

CPHS Oversight Board Minutes 3/28/21

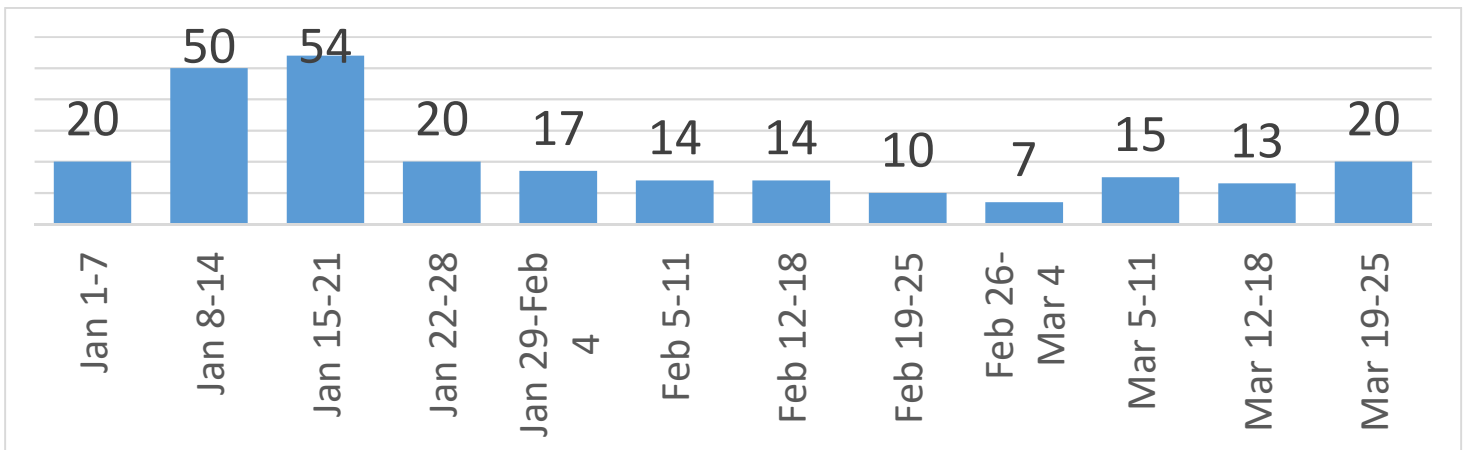
Present:

- Rowe/Maggie Rice
- Hawly/Cass Nawrocki
- Heath/Betsy Kovacs
- Colrain/Nina Martin-Anzuoni
- Buckland/Marti Taft-Ferguson
- Charlemont/Doug Telling
- Deerfield/Trevor McDaniel
- Conway/Devon Whitney-Deal
- Bernardston/Jean Page
- Leyden/Beth Kuzdeba

Absent: Gill, Monroe, Shelburne, Erving

Staff: Randy Crochier, Health Agent, Phoebe Walker, FRCOG, Lisa White, Public Health Nurse, Melanie Zamojski, Public Health Nurse, Lisa Danek Burke, Health Agent

Nursing Report: Melanie shared the current numbers of cases. We are seeing an uptick in cases again, which is worrying as schools are re-opening. Group discussed the need to renew messaging due to the virulence of the variants and people’s general covid fatigue. Phoebe reported that Jackie Choate, a nurse who is a member of the Conway Board of Health and longtime flu clinic volunteer has been hired to help with homebound COVID vaccinations and those are going well, with 15 completed. Chart is CPHS confirmed COVID cases by week:



Vaccine Clinic Update: Tracy Rogers shared the latest information about how many people have been vaccinated by town in Franklin County. She also reviewed what the plans are for the drive-through central location at GCC. Members discussed the pros and cons of a centralized location.

Health Agent Report:

Randy reported that permit renewal process is well in hand, and he and Lisa DB shared the schedule of upcoming “do on your own time” Board of Health trainings and discussion meetings with the Health Agents. Lisa DB and Randy described the proposed change to our Title 5 Inspection Policy, which is just to codify the current practice in the regional policy. The change would add the bolded words: The System Inspector is responsible to schedule a duly licensed Septage Hauler to be present at the Title 5 Inspection. **All septic tanks, and other components (as required), must be pumped at the time of inspection to assess the component condition.**

Public Health Excellence Grant:

Phoebe reviewed the details again of the Public Health Excellence Grant. Board endorsed the application.

Fiscal Reports:

Phoebe pointed out that the CARES funds for contact tracing are close to spent out in Deerfield, Erving, and Bernardston. Amendments are still pending in Erving and Bernardston. All others are signed.