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SOUTHERN NEVADA DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

August 24, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

Meeting was conducted In-person and via Webex Webinar

Southern Nevada Health District, 280 S. Decatur Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89107
Red Rock Trail Rooms A and B

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Marilyn Kirkpatrick, Chair – Commissioner, Clark County (*in-person*)
Scott Nielson, Vice-Chair – At-Large Member, Gaming (*via WebEx*)
Frank Nemece, Secretary – At-Large Member, Physician (*in-person*)
Scott Black – Mayor Pro Tempore, City of North Las Vegas (*in-person*)
Bobbette Bond – At-Large Member, Regulated Business/Industry (*via WebEx*)
Nancy Brune – Council Member, City of Las Vegas (*in-person*)
Pattie Gallo – Council Member, City of Mesquite (*via WebEx*)
Joseph Hardy – Council Member, City of Boulder City (*in-person*)
Brian Knudsen – Mayor Pro Tempore, City of Las Vegas (*in-person*)
Jim Seebock – Council Member, City of Henderson (*in-person*)
- ABSENT:** Tick Segerblom – Commissioner, Clark County
- ALSO PRESENT:** Yazmin Beltran, David Brown, Jonathan Cisowski, William Covington, Richard Eide, Kanani Espinoza, Kiran Gill, Emily Hernandez, Cecilia Heston, Maya Holmes, Rhiann Jarvis Denman, Javier Rivera-Rojas, Jose Ruiz, Katie Ryan, Stacie Sasso, Gina Stroughter, Cassidy Wilson, Ted Wood
(In Audience)
- LEGAL COUNSEL:** Heather Anderson-Fintak, General Counsel
- EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:** Fermin Leguen, MD, MPH, District Health Officer
- STAFF:** Talibah Abdul-Wahid, Elizabeth Adelman, Angeline Agbayani, Adriana Alvarez, Larry Armstrong, Jocelyn Arquette, Ben Ashraf, Maria Azzarelli, Karen Berry, Tawana Bellamy, Julie Bingham, Haley Blake, Murphy Boudreaux, Jennifer Bowers, Alexis Brignola, Amanda Brown, Dee Dee Bulloch, Dan Burns, Victoria Burris, Jonathan Bustinza, Michael Castelo, Andria Cordovez Mulet, Fidel Cortes, Cate Costanzo, Shea Crippen, Susan Crutchfield, Corey Cunningham, Aaron DelCotto, Brandon Delise, Karin Dinda, Lauren DiPrete, Rebecca Drew, Rebecca Dunne, Karen Easterling, Lizette Enzenauer, Kaylina Fleuridas, Jason Frame, Kimberly Franich, Tamara Giannini, Sandra Gordon, Jacques Graham, John Hammond, Heather Hanoff, Amineh Harvey, Richard Hazeltine, Carmen Hua, Ian Imperial, Jessica Johnson, Michael Johnson, Stacy Johnson, Matthew Kappel, Theresa Ladd, Josie Llorico, Cassius Lockett, Cortland Lohff, Randy Lockett, Sandy Lockett, Marisol Maciel, Cassondra Major, Chris Elaine Mariano, Blanca Martinez, Robert McMahan, Kimberly Monahan, Deborah Moran, Sage Nagai, Todd Nicolson, Brian Northam, Verallynn Orewyler, Laura Palmer, Kyle Parkson, Neleida Pelaez, Michael Polintan, Luann Province, Jeff Quinn, Larry Rogers, Alexis Romero, Raquel Samatra, Kim Saner, Chris Saxton, Dave Sheehan, Karla Shoup, Candice Sims, Jennifer Sizemore, Randy Smith, Betty Souza-Lui, Daniele Staple, Rebecca Topol, Greg Tordjman, Danielle Torres, Robert Urzi, Shylo Urzi, Michelle Villanueva, Jorge Viote, Scott Wagner, Brenda Welch, Donnie Whitaker, Michelle Wong, Edward Wynder, Lourdes Yapjoco, Merylyn Yegon, Susan Zannis, Ying Zhang

I. CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL

The Chair called the Southern Nevada District Board of Health Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Andria Cordovez Mulet, Executive Assistant, administered the roll call and confirmed quorum. Ms. Cordovez Mulet provided clear and complete instructions for members of the general public to call in to the meeting to provide public comment, including a telephone number and access code.

Member Nielson joined the meeting at 9:01 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. OATH OF OFFICE

The Oath of Office was administered to Mayor Pro Tempore Black.

IV. RECOGNITION

1. Lourdes Yapjoco, Chris Elaine Mariano, Dr. Jessica Penney, Benjamin Ashraf, Elizabeth Adelman, Victoria Burris, Matthew Kappel (Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Team)

- Certificate of Appreciation for Exceptional Work in HPV Promotion as a Community Partner of American Cancer Society

The CDC reports over 47,000 HPV-associated cancer cases yearly in the US. The HPV vaccine offers robust protection. The American Cancer Society has collaborated with SNHD's Disease Surveillance and Control and Primary and Preventive Care Divisions to enhance HPV vaccination in Clark County. The initiative aims to boost vaccination rates, gain leadership support, implement evidence-based interventions, and employ data-driven strategies. The ACS recognized our HPV promotion team in August, applauding their dedicated work with a Certificate and Plaque of Appreciation. This recognition highlights their vital role in safeguarding community health. On behalf of the Southern Nevada Health District and District Board of Health, the Chair congratulated the entire team for this well-deserved honor.

Member Bond joined the meeting at 9:06 a.m.

2. Successful Delivery of Back-to-School Services

- SNHD Immunization Staff

The Chair recognized the Back-to-School vaccination efforts. The Health District successfully served our community to ensure that children were ready for the new school year, at various events, including the evenings and weekends. On behalf of the Southern Nevada Health District and District Board of Health, the Chair congratulated the entire team for this well-deserved honor. Member Bond further recognized the Immunization Staff for their services at two Back-to-School fairs held by the Culinary Health Fund.

3. Lauren DiPrete (Senior Environmental Health Specialist)

- Coauthored the *Focus Groups Among Retail Food Establishment Staff and Management Reveal Obstacles and Promoters of Good Food Safety Culture* published in Food and Humanity

Lauren DiPrete, Senior Environmental Health Specialist, coauthored an article on "Focus Group Among Retail Food Establishment Staff and Management Reveal Obstacles and Promoters of Good Food Safety Culture" in the Food & Humanity publication. Food & Humanity is a broad and inclusive scientific journal covering all areas of science related to food, with an emphasis on food chemistry, food safety, nutrition & health, and sensory & consumer sciences. Focus groups were

conducted with 48 retail food establishment workers and managers in Clark County on their lived experience of food safety culture. The article explores two major themes that emerged during the focus groups: the explicit expression of food safety culture, which includes elements of training and oversight, and the implicit expression of food safety culture which includes elements of communication, space, staffing, and appreciation. On behalf of the Southern Nevada Health District and District Board of Health, the Chair congratulated Ms. DiPrete for this well-deserved honor.

- V. FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT:** A period devoted to comments by the general public about those items appearing on the agenda. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker. Please clearly state your name and address and spell your last name for the record. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this may be done by the Chair or the Board by majority vote.

Regena Ellis, SEIU, stated that there continued to be issues with the Sexual Health Clinic move to the FQHC. Ms. Ellis shared that a provider in the family planning clinic was leaving due to a change in her job duties. Ms. Ellis shared that, to reduce provider silos, providers were asked to see any patient within the clinics in the FQHC. Ms. Ellis further stated that providers were advised that they needed to see a certain number of patients per day. The Chair requested that Ms. Ellis provide her with specifics following the meeting.

Seeing no one further, the Chair closed the First Public Comment period.

- VI. ADOPTION OF THE AUGUST 24, 2023 MEETING AGENDA** *(for possible action)*

A motion was made by Member Black, seconded by Member Nemec, and carried unanimously to approve the amended August 24, 2023 Agenda, as presented.

- VII. CONSENT AGENDA:** Items for action to be considered by the Southern Nevada District Board of Health which may be enacted by one motion. Any item may be discussed separately per Board Member request before action. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

- 1. APPROVE MINUTES/BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING:** July 27, 2023 *(for possible action)*
- 2. PETITION #04-24: Approval of the Interlocal Contract between the Southern Nevada Health District, Clark County, City of Las Vegas, City of Henderson, City of North Las Vegas, University of Nevada Las Vegas, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, Clark County School District, Nye County, City of Boulder City, City of Mesquite, Lincoln County, Esmeralda County for the Southern Nevada All-Hazard Incident Management Assistance Team (IMAT);** direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary *(for possible action)*
- 3. PETITION #05-24: Approval of the Interlocal Memorandum of Understanding between the Southern Nevada Health District and University Medical Center of Southern Nevada (UMC) for collaboration efforts to make supportive Ryan White service available to individuals living with HIV/AIDS;** direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary *(for possible action)*

A motion was made by Member Hardy, seconded by Member Knudsen, and carried unanimously to approve the August 24, 2023 Consent Agenda, as presented.

- VIII. PUBLIC HEARING / ACTION:** Members of the public are allowed to speak on Public Hearing / Action items after the Board's discussion and prior to their vote. Each speaker will be given five (5) minutes to address the Board on the pending topic. No person may yield his or her time to another person. In those situations where large groups of people desire to address the Board on the same matter, the Chair may

request that those groups select only one or two speakers from the group to address the Board on behalf of the group. Once the public hearing is closed, no additional public comment will be accepted.

1. MEMORANDUM #01-24: Request for Approval of Re-Authorization of Mike O’Callaghan Military Medical Center (MOMMC) as a Level III Trauma Center; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary *(for possible action)*

Stacy Johnson, Regional Trauma Coordinator, presented the Re-authorization of Mike O’Callaghan Military Medical Center (MOMMC) as a Level III Trauma Center. Ms. Johnson advised that the Office of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System (OEMSTS) reviewed the verification with the ACS (American College of Surgeons), and noted they are compliant with regulations. Ms. Johnson further advised that the Regional Trauma Advisory Board reviewed the application, approved the re-authorization application, and recommended that the Board of Health approve the re-authorization application.

The Chair opened for Public Comment. Seeing no one, the Chair closed the Public Comment period.

Further to a question and a request for an educational presentation on MOMMC, Ms. Johnson advised that her office was reaching out to EMS that were going to other facilities, instead of following the catchment area, should go to MOMMC. The Chair further advised that she would reach out to MOMMC to discuss a possible educational session for the Board of Health.

Dr. Leguen advised that he recently met with representatives from Nellis and UMC to discuss initiatives to increase the number of patients at MOMMC. Dr. Leguen confirmed that UMC was willing to assist MOMMC. Dr. Leguen advised that a challenge was with the expected number of patients needed to go to MOMMC was higher than the catchment estimates.

Ms. Johnson advised that she received a brochure from MOMMC that advised issues with family visiting patients at MOMMC and she will circulate it among Board of Health members.

A motion was made by Member Nemeč, seconded by Member Black and carried unanimously to approve the Re-authorization of Mike O’Callaghan Military Medical Center (MOMMC) as a Level III Trauma Center.

IX. REPORT / DISCUSSION / ACTION

1. Receive, Discuss and Approve Board of Health Committees and Committee Memberships; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary *(for possible action)*

The Board of Health was provided with a summary of the Committee Participation Interest Forms received.

A motion was made by Member Hardy, seconded by Member Seebock and carried unanimously to approve the composition of the SNHD Board of Health Committees and Working Groups as follows:

| <u>At-Large Member Selection Committee (Term 2022-2024)</u> | <u>DHO Annual Review Committee</u> | <u>DHO Succession & Planning Committee</u> | <u>Finance Committee</u> | <u>Nomination of Officers Committee</u> |
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- X. BOARD REPORTS:** The Southern Nevada District Board of Health members may identify and comment on Health District related issues. Comments made by individual Board members during this portion of the agenda will not be acted upon by the Southern Nevada District Board of Health unless that subject is on the agenda and scheduled for action. **(Information Only)**

Member Hardy requested to revisit the Environmental Health fees and the potential use of warnings.

XI. HEALTH OFFICER & STAFF REPORTS (Information Only)

- DHO Comments

In addition to Dr. Leguen's written report, Dr. Leguen introduced Kim Saner, as the Deputy District Health Officer for Administration, effective July 12, 2023.

Dr. Leguen further commended the teams involved in Back-to-School immunizations as the process was well organized and saw more individuals than in previous years.

Dr. Leguen also advised that last month was National Health Center Month and recognized the Southern Nevada Community Health Center, that has more than 6,000 unique patients and provided more than 16,000 office visits the previous year.

- Overview of Senate Bill 92 (Sidewalk Vendors)

Larry Rogers, Environmental Health Manager, provided an overview of Senate Bill 92 (Sidewalk Vendors).

Further to an inquiry from Member Hardy, Mr. Rogers suggested that the Board of Health members work with the Business Licensing Departments to ensure compliance in their jurisdictions.

Chair Kirkpatrick advised that representatives from Business Licensing Departments had been meeting to discuss process and procedures.

Further to an inquiry from Member Knudsen, Edward Wynder, Associate General Counsel, advised that the task force would be constituted by the Secretary of State and that they were still working on the process related to the regulations.

Dr. Leguen advised that there would be concerns if the public health representative on the task force was not from either Southern Nevada or Washoe County.

XII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Administration Division Monthly Activity Report
2. Community Health Division Monthly Activity Report
3. Community Health Center (FQHC) Division Monthly Report
4. Disease Surveillance and Control Division Monthly Activity Report
5. Environmental Health Division Monthly Activity Report
6. Primary & Preventive Care Division Monthly Activity Report

- XIII. SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT:** A period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments, about matters relevant to the Board's jurisdiction will be held. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this may be done by the Chair or the Board by majority vote.

Member Nielson left the meeting at 10:11 a.m. and did not return.

David Brown was a current resident of Clark County and previously worked in mosquito surveillance. Mr. Brown was concerned about the presence of *Aedes aegypti* in Clark County, which could spread rapidly, and transmit Dengue, Zika, Chikungunya, and other diseases. Mr. Brown was concerned that there was no single mosquito control program in Clark County. Mr. Brown advised that the CDC and NACCHO identified core and competency requirements for sound, integrated mosquito management programs. Mr. Brown advised that staff were doing their best. Mr. Brown encouraged the establishment of an integrated mosquito control program for Clark County. Mr. Brown advised of a recent study in Texas that indicated that residents were willing to pay over \$30 per individual for an effective mosquito program. The Chair requested that Mr. Brown leave his email address to provide him with additional information on the Clark County and Health District initiatives related to mosquito surveillance.

Richard Eide, owner of Great Basin Cooking Company, commented on the closing of his trailers, Papa's Gyros and Soda Papas, due to imminent health hazards and the imposed fines. Mr. Eide advised that further to a recent spot inspection, the Soda Papas trailer was found to have a drip, which was later found to be due to air conditioning condensation and resulted in a \$1,778 fine. The Papa's Gyros trailer was also found to have a drip, which was later found to be potable water, antibacterial soap and bleach water, that resulted in a \$1,778 fine. Mr. Eide advised that the fine did not fit the issue and was out of line. Pursuant to NRS 446.880, Mr. Eide was requesting a hearing before the Board of Health.

Seeing no one further, the Chair closed the Second Public Comment portion.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:19 a.m.

Fermin Leguen, MD, MPH
District Health Officer/Executive Secretary

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