

Howard County Local Health Improvement Coalition

Full Coalition Hybrid Meeting Minutes

July 21, 2022 8:30am - 10:30 am

In Person: Heroes Room, Howard County Health Department

Virtual: Via Zoom

Minutes

Members Present

Barbara Allen, James' Place Inc	Traci McNair, Thomas E England DMD
Linda Ashburn, HC Health Department	Ted Meyerson, AARP Maryland
Candace Ball, HC Office of the Local Children's Board	Topez Navarro, Work Play Obsession All in Foundation
Mary Ann Barry, Transition Howard County	Tracy Novak, HC General Hospital
Karen Basinger, University of Maryland Extension	Tosin Olateju, Food and Care for All
Shannon Blount, HC Public School System	Cris Oviedo, Howard County Latino
Debby Bors, HC Health Department	Tavia Patusky, Columbia Association
Tracy Broccolino, Community Action Council	Morgan Phillips, The Living Legacy Foundation of Maryland
Regina Clay, CareFirst	Diana Quinn, MedStar Health
Katie Collier, Congruent Counseling Services	Bill Rados, U.S. Food & Drug Administration
Shanika Cooper, HC Health Department	Stephanie Reid, HC Health Department
Dana Couch, NAACP Howard County Chapter	Clara Richards, Journey to Better Health
Dana Davenport, Assoc. of Community Services HC	Carrie Ross, Community Action Council of HC
Alex Doyle, Student	Maura Rossman, HC Dept. of Health
Tiffany Erbeling, Horizon Foundation	Razan Sahuri, MD SNAP-Ed in HOCO
Connie Ford, HC Health Department	Jim Sanders, The Village in Howard County
Charlotte Hager, Maryland Dental Action Council	Nikiki Savoy, Accessible Resources for Independence
Natalie Hall, HC Health Department	Glen Schneider, Horizon Foundation
Quiana Holmes, The Council of Elders	Joan Webb Scornaienchi, HC Drug Free
Karen Hull, HC Office on Aging & Independence	Allison Tillman, Bayada Home Health
Lois Joellenbeck, HC Health Department	Laura Torres, HC General Hospital
Julie Kwedar, Maryland Department of Transportation	Antigone Vickery, HC Health Department
Genny LaPorte, HCPD Crisis Intervention Team	Chynae Vicks, HC Health Department
Jen Lee, HC Office on Aging and Independence	Patty Walcott, HC Health Department
Paloma León, Luminus	Matt Wilson, HC Health Department
Vanda Lerdboon, HC Health Department	Caller #1 Community Member
Sonya Lloyd, HC Health Department	

Staff Present:

Reena Rambharat, HCLHIC Director	Rodney Oldham, HCLHIC Community Health Equity & Outreach Coordinator
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Topic/Agenda	Discussion	Action/Follow-up
Welcome and Introductions	<p>Reena Rambharat, MPH, CHES, Director of the Howard County Local Health Improvement Coalition (HCLHIC) called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.</p> <p>Dr. Maura Rossman, Health Officer for the Howard County Health Department (HCHD), and HCLHIC co-chair welcomed new participants and Coalition members in attendance and mentioned COVID-19 masking still in effect at the Health Department. Dr. Rossman mentioned that the Health Department received the largest grant in its history on health disparities. School based wellness was awarded a grant in schools for telemedicine.</p>	<p>Guests and those interested in joining the HCLHIC may access information about membership at: https://www.hclhic.org/membership/become-a-member</p> <p>Past minutes and today's presentations are available at: https://www.hclhic.org/home/MeetingYears/1</p> <p>For further information on COVID-19 including testing and vaccination: https://www.howardcountymd.gov/health/covid-19</p>
Presentation(s)	<p>The following presentations were made: HCLHIC Updates: Reena Rambharat, HCLHIC Director, Howard County Health Department, reviewed the HCLHIC Strategic Plan, Current Projects, and Workgroups. The following are the three main HCLHIC priorities for FY2022-2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy Beginnings to prevent and care for gestational diabetes, maternal and child health and pediatric obesity • Healthy Living Priority to prevent Chronic disease and to increase physical activity and healthier food and beverage choices. • Healthy Minds Priority to decrease social isolation and support mental health. <p>Ms. Rambharat reviewed the five new groups convened by the HCHD/HCLHIC and partners.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Literacy Advisory Committee • Food Security Committee • Movement Group • Chronic Disease Prevention & Management Group • Healthy Minds & Suicide Prevention Coalition <p><i>Groups will be formed as needed to address the priorities including those related to maternal and child health.</i></p>	<p>HCLHIC's Final Strategic Plan is available at: https://www.hclhic.org/community/action-plans</p> <p>If you are interested in being part of one or more of the workgroups, email our team at LHIC@howardcountymd.gov</p> <p>CPSTF Findings on Diabetes link: What Works Fact Sheet: Diabetes Prevention and Control (thecommunityguide.org)</p> <p>To learn more about the stipend opportunity to assist with the Howard County Food and Nutrition Security survey visit: https://www.hclhic.org/membership/action-alert</p> <p>Members are asked to provide event information for inclusion on the HCLHIC website and to visit the site for information on upcoming Events: https://www.hclhic.org/Home/eventlist/</p>

	<p>LHIC Current Projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy Lifestyle in Residential Communities Project • Food Security Committee / Grant <p>Healthy Lifestyle in Residential Communities Project</p> <p>A \$50,000 CareFirst Grant was awarded to the HCLHIC on National Health Equity. This grant addresses diabetes and other chronic diseases in HOCO. The HCHD and HCLHIC are piloting an initiative to engage residential communities in strategies to promote physical activity, healthy eating, and connecting community members to resources that support these preventative health measures.</p> <p>Partner Collaborations on Healthy Lifestyle Residential Communities Project include:</p> <p>HC Office on Aging and Independence, Howard County General Hospital - Journey to Better Health, Giant Food, University of Maryland Extension, Roving Radish, Howard County Recreation & Parks, Columbia Association, and Dancel Y</p> <p>Food Security Committee / Grant</p> <p>The HCLHIC received a \$20,000 award from the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Control (CCDPC) to establish a committee to address food insecurity in Howard County.</p>	<p>Workplan for Food Security Committee Grant includes a Stipend opportunity:</p> <p>https://www.hclhic.org/membership/action-alert</p>
Presentation(s)	<p>Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Dental Coverage for Adults</p> <p>Charlotte Hager, MPH, CHES, Dental Collaborative Director, Maryland Dental Action Coalition (MDAC), spoke about the following Adult Dental Pilot (ADP) Program updates including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Howard County ADP Data Legislation updates: On May 12, 2022, Governor Hogan signed legislation establishing Medicaid adult dental coverage. Services will be available to all 	<p>Charlotte Hager, Dental Collaborative Director chagerconsulting@gmail.com</p>

	<p>adults over the age of 21 effective January 1, 2023.</p> <p>C. Medical Dental Coverage for Adults: Reimbursement rate increase of 9.5% effective July 1, 2022.</p> <p>D. Postpartum Coverage Extended: Effective April 1, 2022, Medicaid-eligible pregnant individuals can access full Medicaid benefits for the duration of their pregnancy and the 12-month postpartum period.</p> <p>E. MDAC ADP Program Social Media Campaign: Community-focused campaign to continue efforts to engage, educate, and encourage ADP-eligible (dual-eligible) adults to connect with dental care in their area.</p> <p>F. Medicaid Adult Dental Initiatives.</p>	
	<p>Tobacco Engagement Grantee Panel</p> <p>Connie Ford, BSN, RN, Cancer Prevention and Control Program Supervisor, Access to Healthcare Bureau, Howard County Health Department spoke about the HCHD Tobacco / Vaping Use Prevention Grant. The HCHD was awarded \$15,000 in grants to five local organizations to assist with tobacco/vaping use prevention, education, and cessation outreach efforts, with specific emphasis on populations/groups identified as at risk or having a known health disparity related to tobacco.</p> <p>Grantees awarded:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Accessible Resources for Independence - Campaign for Tobacco-Free Disability Community will promote and provide referral to smoking cessation resources and services for individuals with disabilities. 2. Celebration Church - Say No To Smoking project will educate African-American youth and adults about tobacco/vaping and cessation through community engagement and the Prevention Plus evidence-based program. 3. JustLiving Advocacy, Inc. - Wellness and YOU project will implement grassroots outreach efforts in ElkrIDGE, Jessup, and Savage to educate community members about tobacco/vaping and cessation. 	<p>To contact Connie Ford with Cancer Control at HCHD: cford@howardcountymd.gov</p> <p>More information about the HCHD Tobacco/Vaping Use Prevention & Cessation Program can be found at https://www.howardcountymd.gov/health/tobacco-control-program</p> <p>To access the student video from Resurrection School: YouTube link: https://youtu.be/NbfMvAYpziw</p> <p>To contact Paloma León of Luminus: pleon@beluminus.org</p>

	<p>4. Luminus Network for New Americans - Tobacco Awareness in the Youth Latino Community project will promote awareness about tobacco/vaping and cessation in the LatinX community through youth-focused artwork campaign and social media. Paloma Leon, Outreach and Intake Specialist with Luminus spoke about grant experiences in the Latino Community.</p> <p>5. Resurrection-St. Paul School - Tobacco/Vaping Prevention for Students & Parents project will educate middle school students, parents and staff about tobacco/vaping cessation to reduce initiation of use for tobacco products among youth.</p>	
Announcements	<p>Coalition members were asked to share announcements about upcoming programs and activities with everyone in the Chat Box.</p> <p>FY23 Health Disparities Grant Linda Ashburn, Director of Accessibility, Planning and Community Engagement, Howard County Health Department, requested proposals (RFP) for a grant that the HCHD was awarded. The grant seeks to engage community organizations in reducing health disparities related to chronic disease and COVID-19 infections in identified HOCO communities. RFP must address one of these objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify and recruit community leaders from identified communities to become certified Community Health Workers (CHWs) 2. Support a network of Community Health Workers who are certified or plan to become certified to make referrals and outreach in identified communities. <p>Members were encouraged to provide event information for inclusion on the HCLHIC website.</p>	<p>Organizations considering applying for these Health Disparities Grants are asked to send an email to Chynae Vicks at cvicks@howardcountymd.gov to inform us of your interest by July 29, 2022 so that we can provide ongoing information.</p> <p>Grant Application Deadline: August 31, 2022. All applications must be submitted electronically via e-mail attachment to cvicks@howardcountymd.gov. In your email's subject line, please reference your organization name and "FY23 Health Disparities Grant."</p> <p>Organizations interested in the grant opportunities should visit www.howardcountymd.gov/health/health-disparities-grants for detailed information about the application process. Grants will run from September 1, 2022 to January 15, 2023 or June 30, 2023 respectively. Application deadline is August 31, 2022. Coalition members widely with your network.</p>

		<p>To find resources in Howard County use CAREAPP: https://findhcreources.org/</p> <p>Howard County Office of the Local Children's Board Request for proposals. Proposal applications are due on Wednesday, August 3rd at 4:00pm and should be submitted via email to lcb@howardcountymd.gov. More information and documents can be found on the website at: https://www.howardcountymd.gov/local-childrens-board</p> <p>J2BH Programs: Diabetes Support Group: https://bit.ly/virtualdiabetesgroup</p> <p>Living Well with Chronic Disease: https://bit.ly/Living-well-virtual</p> <p>Living Well with Diabetes: https://bit.ly/living-well-diabetes https://bit.ly/diabetes-virtual</p> <p>Cancer Self-Management: https://cancerselfmanagement.events.hcgh.hopkinsmedicine.org/</p> <p>Tomando Control de su Salud: https://tomandocontroldesusalud.events.hcgh.hopkinsmedicine.org/</p> <p>Upcoming Screenings Link: https://communityhealthscreenings.events.hcgh.hopkinsmedicine.org/</p> <p>Laura Torres: New Suicide Crisis Hotline# 988 went live on Saturday, July 16th.</p> <p>Older Adult Mental Health forum registration: https://howardcountymd.webex.com/howardcountymd/j.php?RGID=raf1ea b978095a8aba573aa67c4fb72be</p>
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Wrap Up and Adjournment	<p>Thank you for joining us today! Recording and today's presentation will be available at http://www.hclhic.org/</p> <p>Please visit the HCLHIC site for more information on upcoming Events: https://www.hclhic.org/Home/eventlist/</p>	

	The coalition meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.
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Future Meeting Dates:

2022 Quarterly Full Coalition Meetings

Register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2022-hclhic-full-coalition-meetings-tickets-188936412897>

- October 20, 2022 8:30-10:30am