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## **Howard County Local Health Improvement Coalition**

Full Coalition Meeting
October 1, 2020 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Virtual Meeting

#### **Minutes**

#### **Members Present**

Leslie Adams, HC Health Department
Alice Blayne-Allard, Howard County Dental Association
Erin Anderson, Howard County Health Department
Erin Ashinghurst, Accessible Resources for Independence
Candace Ball, Howard County Government
Mary Ann Barry, Transition Howard County
Karen Basinger, University of MD Extension
Miriam Bennett, HC Health Department
Shereen Cabrera-Bentley, LCSW-C, Deputy Director,
Bureau of Behavioral Health, Howard County Health
Department

Melanie Berdyck, Giant Food

Roe Rodgers-Bonaccorsy, HC Health Department Erin Bonzon, Office of Children and Families Carol Boyer, Delphi Behavioral Health Group Genevieve LaPorte Buck, Howard County Dept. Of Corrections

Tara Butler, Howard County General Hospital

Malarie Burgess, HC Dept. of Community Resources and Services

Susan Camardese, Maryland Office of Oral Health Tiffany Callender, Horizon Foundation Shanika Cooper, HC Health Department Jenna Crawley, HC Dept. of Community Resources and Services

Carlos Crus, Howard County Dental
Jeannie DeCray, Office on Aging and Independence
Mike Demidenko, Howard County DSS
Felicia Dortch, Columbia Medical Practice
Joan Driessen, Association of Community Services
Manuel Evangelista, AAA Physical Therapy
Olivia Farrow, St. Agnes Hospital
Bruce Fulton, Neighbor Ride
Ninping Feng, Chinese American Community Health

Services

Natalie Hall, HC Health Department

Jennifer Lee, Office on Aging and Independence Vanda Lerdboon, HC Health Department Sonya Lloyd, HC Health Department Aisha Masood, Community Member Ted Meyerson, AARP Maryland Amy McCarthy, HC Health Department Kelly McMillan, Howard Community College Kirsten Minor, HC Health Department Andrew Monjan, Community Member Colleen Nester, HC Health Department Carson Nickell, Howard County Recreation and Parks Tracy Novak, Howard County General Hospital DeWayne Oberlander, Columbia Medical Practice Ekere Olojola, Howard County Public Schools Jonathan Ortega, Healthcare Access Maryland Emily Paterson, Maryland Poison Center Reena Rambharat, HC Health Department Kirsten Robb-McGrath, Community Member Raffi Rodrigo, Community Member Cyndi Rogers, Winter Growth Inc. Maura Rossman, HC Health Department Razan Sahuri, University of MD Extension Pat Sasse, This Point Forward Glenn Schneider, The Horizon Foundation Joan Webb Scornaienchi, HC Drug Free Emma Schreier, HC Health Department Steven Snelgrove, Howard County General Hospital Lynn Song, Howard Chamber of Commerce

Nette Stokes, Just Living Advocacy

Shelby Thomas, Chase Brexton

Resolve MD: Direct Primary Care

Rashel Taylor, The Horizon Foundation

Heidi Weiss-Beedie, HC Health Department

Erica Taylor, HC Dept. of Community Resources and Services

Lisa Terry, HC Dept. of Community Resources and Services

Joi Johnson-Weaver, MD, Board Certified Family physician,

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Loretta Hoepfner, MD Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics

Michelle Holder, Office on Aging and Independence Bonnie Horvath, Qlarant

Sabrina Hsu, Chinese American Community Health Services

Lois Joellenbeck, HC Health Department Janet Jones, Qlarant

Kathy Wehr, Office on Aging and Independence Jeffrey Wetstone, Community Member Jennifer White, The Horizon Foundation Matt Wilson, Howard County Health Department Patricia Wright, Aetna Inc. Fariborz Zarfeshan, Alfa Specialty Pharmacy

### **Staff Present:**

Kelly Kesler, HCLHIC Program Director Seojin Kim, HCLHIC Program Coordinator Rodney Oldham, HCLHIC Program Coordinator

#### **Guests Present:**

Lisa Ellis Marr, Project Manager, Center for Population Health Initiatives, Maryland Department of Health Anna Shao, MPH, CHES, Program Coordinator, Horowitz Center for Health Literacy, University of Maryland School of Public Health

Melissa Gibson, Community Member

James Gutman, Community Member

Rya Griffis, Horowitz Center for Health Literacy, University of Maryland School of Public Health

Kamree Hall, Community Member

Maria Lima, Community Member

Topic/Agenda	Discussion	Action/Follow-up
Welcome and	Dr. Maura Rossman, Health Officer for the	Guests and those interested in joining
Introductions	Howard County Health Department and Coalition	the
	Co-Chair called the meeting to order at 10:01	HCLHIC may access information about
	a.m.	membership at:
		http://www.hclhic.org/membership/
	Dr. Rossman and Mr. Snelgove	<u>membership</u>
	provided a welcome to new participants and	
	Coalition members in attendance.	
Presentation (s)	Presentations were made by the following:	Handouts and today's presentation
		will be available at
	Maryland Diabetes Action Plan	http://www.hclhic.org/news-
	Lisa Ellis Marr, Project Manager, Center for	events/Ihic-and-partner-
	Population Health Initiatives, Maryland	events/seminars-and-educational-
	Department of Health discussed the Maryland	<u>events</u>
	Diabetes Action Plan and collaborative efforts	
	with Local Health Improvement Coalitions	To learn more about the Maryland
	throughout Maryland.	Diabetes Plan and collaboration with
		the University of Maryland School of
	Anna Shao, MPH, CHES, Program Coordinator,	Public Health:
	Horowitz Center for Health Literacy, University of	
	Maryland School of Public Health discussed the	View the Maryland State Diabetes
	collaborative efforts to address Health Literacy in	Action Plan, at:
	support of the Maryland Diabetes Action Plan.	





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# **Local Diabetes Action to Address Health Disparity – Coalition Member Highlight**

Joi Johnson-Weaver, MD
Board Certified Family physician
Resolve MD: Direct Primary Care presented on
the Resolve MD Telehealth Covid-19 program the
practice is offering via a no-cost fully virtual form
of direct primary care to Black people ages 24-64.
The program's aim is to decrease the chance of
severe disease or death by Covid-19 in Blacks
from 1) racial discrimination in healthcare
settings 2) lack of access to medical care due to
health inequity and 3)management of chronic
medical conditions that put Blacks at higher risk
of death from Covid-19.

#### **Mental Health Campaigns**

Shereen Cabrera-Bentley, LCSW-C, Deputy Director, Bureau of Behavioral Health with the Howard County Health Department presented on the Howard County Health Department Mental Health Campaign

Tiffany Callender from the Horizon Foundation spoke about Emotional Support Humans

#### Flu Vaccination and COVID -19 updates

Erin Anderson, Coordinator for Maternal and Child Health with the Howard County Health Department discussed flu vaccines, Howard County Health Department Flu Vaccine Plan for 2020 and the differences between the flu and COVID-19

Bruce Fulton, Executive Director for Neighbor Ride discussed how they've expanded their services during COVID-19 to include providing food delivery to food banks, added delivery services for durable medical equipment to clients, and providing free rides to any

https://phpa.health.maryland.gov/CC DPC/Pages/diabetes-action-plan.aspx

View Maryland Department of Health's recorded Provider and Diabetes Education Webinars, at: <a href="https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/">https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/</a> cu/zAIP36Q/managingdiabetes

For more information about the Health Literacy conference, contact Anna Shao with the Horowitz Center for Health Literacy, University of Maryland School of Public Health at <a href="mailto:ashao@umd.edu">ashao@umd.edu</a> or register for at: <a href="https://www.hlia-harcconf.org">www.hlia-harcconf.org</a>

To learn more about the Resolve MD Telehealth Covid-19 program contact Dr. Joi Johnson-Weaver and Resolve MD: Primary Direct Care at 443-574-4439 or visit <a href="https://resolvemd.org">https://resolvemd.org</a>

Coalition members are asked to share the mental health campaign messages available through both the Howard County Health Department and the Emotional Support Human Campaigns. Visit

http://www.hclhic.org/resources/action-alerts/2020-action-alerts/october-2020 and www.supporthuman.org.

For more information about Seasonal Flu visit:

https://www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Health/Immunization-Disease-Prevention/Flu-Information

For more information on HCHD COVID-19, visit:

https://www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Health/MM-Alerts-and-Recalls

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Howard County senior over age 60+ to get their flu vaccination

Matt Wilson, Public Affairs Specialist with the Howard County Health Department highlighted the Health Department's continual efforts to get the messaging out to the citizens of Howard County via social media of the importance of flu vaccine and getting vaccinated. Encouraged all members to share on social media among their groups as well.

Tracy Novak, Population Health Leader with the Howard County General Hospital shared that the hospital has partnered with the Health Department to do pop-up community COVID-19 testing with faith-based communities through the Journey to Better Health Program.

Tara Butler, Health Promotion Program Manager with the Howard County General Hospital further emphasized the importance of building trust within the community and the hospital's effort to continue to serve vulnerable populations through opportunities such as community COVID-19 Testing.

Kelly Kesler, HCLHIC Director discussed LHIC's Strategic Planning process moving forward and its emphasis on equity and access. Highlighted that LHIC will continue to coordinate and amplify efforts of LHIC partners.

HCPSS is offering Free Flu Shots for Students and Staff. For more information visit:

https://www.hcpss.org/health/

For information about the Neighbor Ride program or to sign-up, call 1-410-884-7433 or visit

https://www.neighborride.org/freeride/

For more information about HCGH COVID-19 Community Testing, visit: https://www.bit.ly/j2bh-testing

## Announcements

Coalition members were asked to share announcements about upcoming programs and activities with everyone in the Chat Box.

Members were encouraged to provide event information for inclusion on the HCLHIC website.

Minutes from the meeting will be available prior to the next meeting date at

http://www.hclhic.org/membership/meeting-portal





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Manuel Evangelista from AAA Therapy shared that his organization offers a Weight Loss class and Strength through Stress sessions to help with mental health and that these sessions highlight nonprofit organizations. They can be viewed at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R">rUKW2tqkXw&list=PLrRWeCmQ9J0Xm</a>

In addition to Walk Maryland Day on October 7, 2020. During the month of October, the University of Maryland Extension and Maryland Department of Transportation will offer four webinars to celebrate **Walktober**.

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- Webinar 1: Thursday, October 1,
   2020 Get Maryland Walking: What
   Can We Do?
- Webinar 2: Thursday, October 15,
   2020 Pedestrian Infrastructure,
   Safety, and Health
- Webinar 3: Thursday, October 22, 2020 - New Trends and Technologies to Support Walkability and Walking
- Webinar 4: Thursday, October 29, 2020 - Maryland Community Walk Initiatives

Karen Basinger of the University of Maryland Extension - Howard County noted that her office offers diabetes nutrition classes. They have numerous class options and the latest one is Dining with diabetes, which is a series of 4 lessons. For more information, email her at: kbasinge@umd.edu

The Horizon Foundation, alongside its partners with the Streets for All Coalition, will host a virtual walk audit

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		on October 21, 2020. For more information, please visit: <a href="https://hcstreetsforall.org/virtual-walk-audit-2020/">https://hcstreetsforall.org/virtual-walk-audit-2020/</a>
		NAMI Howard County is offering a Peer Veteran Support Group - NEW. This group will meet the first Monday of each month - Oct 5, Nov 2*, Dec 7, Jan 4 and Feb 1 from 5:30 – 7pm For more information about the group, call Yulanda at 410-772-9300 or email her at: yblackston.namihc@gmail.com or visit: <a href="https://namihowardcounty.org/programs-support-groups/support/">https://namihowardcounty.org/programs-support-groups/support/</a>
Wrap Up and Adjournment	The coalition meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.	

# **Future Meeting Dates:**

Full Coalition Meeting\_TBD

# **WORK GROUP MEETINGS**

TBD

# **HCLHIC Action Group Meetings Dates/Times TBD as appropriate.**

- Access to Care Action Groups: Asthma; Chronic Disease Self-Management Programs; Dental
- Behavioral Health Action Groups: Mental Health First Aid/Suicide Intervention
- Healthy Aging Action Groups: Alzheimer's and Dementia/Falls Prevention Integration;
- Healthy Weight: Nutrition
- Other: Communication; Continuing and Community Education

Please note action groups will be formed and meet as needed and/or on a schedule determined by group. All HCLHIC members are welcome to participate. Updates on actions will be provided to Full Work Groups during quarterly meetings. If you have questions or are interested in participating in a specific action group, please contact <a href="kkesler@howardcountymd.gov">kkesler@howardcountymd.gov</a>