



Northwest Portland Area
Indian Health Board
Indian Leadership for Indian Health

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Virtual Quarterly Board Meeting
July 14, 2020

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Report Topics

1. Advocacy Alerts
2. COVID-19 Survey
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NPAIHB Staff Daily Morning Check-In

Advocacy Alerts

- **FY 2021 Appropriations Timeline**

- House will take up first package of spending bills (includes Interior) 7/23 and 7/24, second package the following week, and then August recess
- Senate has not moved on appropriations yet.

- **Next COVID-19 Package**

- House passed HEROES Act but won't pass Senate.
- Senate in session 7/20 to 8/8 and will introduce it's own package.

- **Thursday 7/16– *Natural Resources Hearing on Native Youth Perspectives on Mental Health and Healing***

- 10am/1pm EST

NPAIHB COVID-19 Survey

- 1. Please complete the survey today so we can present preliminary results tomorrow for discussion.**
2. Purpose is to help direct our public health and policy work in the next 3 to 6 months.
3. Request feedback on the work we've done thus far – March to July and guidance for future work.
4. Asking for information on anticipated needs for your communities and clinic for the next 3 to 6 months.
5. Thanks to our Epi Staff for working on this – Victoria, Tam, Jenine!

Funding Update

NEW

- DHHS – Public Health Service
 - ***NW Opioid Collaboration to Strengthen Tribal Nations - \$1,049,967.***
 - 7/1/2020 – 6/3-/2021

CONTINUATION

- DHHS – National Institute on Drug Abuse
 - ***Investigating Maternal Opioid Use, Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome and Response - \$196,275***
 - 8/2019 – 7/31/2021
- DHHS – CDC
 - ***Supporting Tribal Public Health Capacity in Coronavirus Preparedness and Response - \$316,646***
 - 6/5/2020 – 5/09/2021

Office & Administration

- Physical office closed on 3/16/20
 - Closure of office anticipated through at least August.
- Survey to Staff on Teleworking Now and Into the Future
- Security improvements almost complete
 - Alarm installed
 - New door with push bar to be installed
- Finance
 - Electronic purchase order software (Microix) in implementation phase
 - Electronic payments to vendors – in process
 - Working on FY 2021 operating budget

Employee Telework Survey Highlights

1. Nearly 100% response rate
2. Majority of staff hold an optimistic view of teleworking (85%)
3. Mostly positive about working from home through end of year, if needed (75%)
4. Majority of staff are optimistic about an open concept office design after COVID-19 (75%)
5. Major Concerns include: Missing colleagues and ergonomic set-up at home

Personnel/Human Resources

NEW HIRES

- Reshell Livingston – Asthma Project Coordinator – 7-13-20

PROMOTIONS/TRANSFER

- Mattie Tomeo-Palmanteer – Cancer Prevention Project Coordinator – 6-22-20

PROGRAM OPERATIONS MANUAL

- Some changes will be proposed to Personnel Committee at October Board meeting

Looking Forward

- Plan COVID-19 responses for next 3 to 6 months
- Policy consultant on board beginning 7/20
- Modification of program budgets in anticipation of unused travel funds
- Organizational assessment as to structure – funded through an Epi Center grant
- Revive work on strategic plan
- Work on organizational budget for FY 2021 for October QBM

Questions...?

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- Row 1: Tanya Firemoon, NPAIHB (white cap); Birdie Werny (green background with text); Klopez (Health Week May 10-16); Lisa Griggs (group photo); Sue Steward (group photo).
- Row 2: ryan sealy (blue shirt); Nancy Bennett (Months! background); Stephanie Craig Rushing (black top); Barbara (red top); Candice Jimenez (black top).
- Row 3: Lael (black top); Amy Franco (black top); Jamie Alongi (group photo); Paige Smith (black top with white triangles); Megan W (dog with glasses). A blue 'Unmute' button is visible over Megan W's video.
- Row 4: Celena McCray (white top); 15037355965 (phone icon); Nora (mountain background); Tacey (group photo); Luella (black background with white text).
- Row 5: J Dankovchik (blue background with white J); Eric Vinson (INDIAN COUNTRY ECHO logo); Eugene Mostofi (black background with white text); David Stephens (WE NATIVE logo); Chelsea's iPhone (black background with white text).

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