



Cheyenne Laramie County Public Health Board of Health
CLCPH Conference Room

Tuesday, May 19, 2026 @ Noon

Present:

Dr. Tracie Caller, MD, MPH, President
Sue Hume, MS, RN (ret.), Vice President
Dr. Max Silver, DDS, Secretary
Rebecca Marcy, DVM, Member
Brittany Wardle, MPH, Member

Staff Present:

Kathy Emmons, DMgt, Executive Director
Dr. AJ Meares, County Health Officer
Kasey Mullins, MSN, RN, Director of Nursing/Deputy Director
Sarah Lentz, Public Health Response Coordinator

Guests Present:

City Councilman Tom Segrave, Ex Officio
Commissioner Don Hollingshead, Ex Officio

Absent:

Dalene Frantz, Director of Operations and Human Resources
Jennifer Sewell-Escobedo, Director of Environmental Health
Tammy Deisch, Laramie County Treasurer

Dr. Caller called the meeting to order at 12:02 pm.

Consent Agenda: Dr. Caller asked for input or changes to the consent agenda which included the agenda for the May 2026 meeting and minutes from the April 20, 2026, meeting. Ms. Hume moved to accept the consent agenda, seconded by Dr. Silver. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report for April 2026: Dr. Emmons reviewed the treasurer's report for April 2026, reviewing cash in the bank account and the investment account balance. After discussion, Ms. Hume moved to accept the treasurer's report with Dr. Silver, seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Reports for April 2026: Dr. Emmons presented the March Revenue and Expense report noting that this is the tenth month of the fiscal year. Nursing revenue is 88.58%, Environmental Health's revenue is 102.49% with total CLCPH department revenue at 80.38% of the budget. Operating expenses are 67.54% of the budget and total expenses, including

payroll, are 72.29% of the budget. After discussion, Ms. Hume moved to accept the financial report with Dr. Silver, seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Health Moment:

- Dr. Caller mentioned it was Stroke Awareness Month.
- Dr. Emmons provided an article to follow-up on last month's discuss on the Shingles Vaccine/High Dose Vaccines and the correlation related to reducing the prevalence of Alzheimer's Disease. Dr. Emmons will share this article with the board.

Contracts and Agreements:

- Ms. Mullins discussed the amendment to the grant agreement between the Wyoming Department of Health, Public Health Division (WDH-PHD) and Cheyenne Laramie County Public Health for the purpose of increasing the total agreement dollars amount to address public health infrastructure needs and expand workforce development. After discussion, Dr. Silver motioned to approve the amendment to the grant agreement with the Wyoming Department of Health, Public Health Division, seconded by Ms. Hume. The motion carried unanimously.
- Ms. Mullins discussed the Memorandum of Understanding with the Wyoming Department of Health, Public Health Division, Maternal and Child Health Unit to provide services pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 35-1-243(a) (iii) including home visitation services and other Maternal and Child Health (MCH) services that support Title V MCH Block Grant priorities effective from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028. After discussion, Dr. Silver motioned to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Wyoming Department of Health, Public Health Division, Maternal and Child Health Unit, seconded by Ms. Hume. The motion carried unanimously.

Official Business:

- None.

Information for the Board: Executive Director report – Dr. Emmons reported the following:

- She attended a meeting with the HHS representative for our region. Kathy provided 2 handouts (attached).
 - Spotlights from the meeting: Wy Rural Healthcare Transformation Grant, Expanded Scope of Practice for Dental Hygiene, total grant is \$250 million
 - State MAHA Highlights: 7-8 areas of focus for WY, Healthy Food, PE in schools, increased OTC medication (Ivermectin), no more fluoride in water, Public Health to regulate pesticide use without additional funding, and chronic disease health education in schools.
 - Kathy concerns from the meeting: Vaccine mixed messaging from HHS, Rural Transformation Grant is not available to Cheyenne and Casper they are providing the services to the rural communities without access to the grant, Secretary Kennedy's goal of eliminating Mental Health medication (Lexapro)
 - Ebola: The WHO declared a public health Emergency Declaration with International Concern
 - Areas Affected: Congo / Uganda

- 288 cases/ 80 deaths
- No US Risk at this time
- 1 American doctor in the Congo has been infected. He and his family have been moved to Germany
- Hantavirus:
 - Andes Strain from the cruise ship is low risk in US
 - 1 death related to the standard strain of the Hantavirus in Colorado. Historically they have had a total of 121 cases and 71 deaths
- Operations & Human Resources – Ms. Frantz provided a written report.
- Public Health Response – Ms. Lentz reported:
 - We participated in the SIM Montana exercise both tabletop and In-person. HPAI, hemorrhagic fever, measles, and hantavirus were the scenarios. Great feedback from sim coordinator on PH being present at the exercise. CRMC did well with the exercise involving CFR/AMR/Dispatch.
 - NHACO Summit was attended
 - Admin / COOP exercise were completed. Staff worked at the barn and from home to test response capabilities of working away from the 100 Central Avenue building.
 - Staff completed the stop-the-bleed training at last month's PHRC meeting.
- Environment Health –Ms. Escobedo provided a written report.
- Public Health Nursing – Ms. Mullins reported:
 - First measles case was in Fremont County last month. No further cases have been identified following this exposure.
 - Flu B remains present in the community with a steady 3% positivity rate over the past several weeks
 - Kristin Riley organized an adult outreach event at Aspen Winds. 21 residents vaccinated with PVC 20.
 - We have received great support from the community for sports physicals. They will be free this summer for all k-12 students/athletes.
 - Nursing staff attended the legal aspects of nursing course at LCCC hosted by CRMC. They also attended Bridges out of Poverty at CLCPH. Converse, Goshen and Platte also had staff attend.
 - Kasey and Sarah attended the PHRC F2F and radiological exercise. Kasey thanked Sarah for including her in the Sim Montana Exercise.

Presentation: Sarah Lentz, Public Health Response Coordinator

- Discussed the Administrative Preparedness Plan including:
 - Contracting, procurement, and financial resources.
 - Findings of the Administrative Preparedness Plan Tabletop Exercise held in April with the internal stakeholders.
 - Trainings are completed with staff to help prepare them for this plan and other emergencies bi-monthly.

With no further business, Dr. Caller adjourned the meeting at 1:04 pm.