

MINUTES

Purpose: Engage Okaloosa County community members in a health improvement process through an open, two-way dialogue.

Attendees: See Appendix A

Welcome & Introductions – Elizabeth “Beth” Smith

- Elizabeth “Beth” Smith opened the meeting and welcomed attendees.
- Beth reviewed the meeting's purpose and agenda.
- Attendees reviewed the minutes from the Okaloosa Health Summit. The minutes were approved as written.
- Beth introduced the DOH-Okaloosa Community Health Improvement Planning team which include the following:
 - Amanda Colwell, Assistant Director
 - Petra Maddens, Community Health Improvement Section Chief
 - Emily Tash, Community Health Improvement Planning Branch Director
 - Jennifer Wilhelm, Health Education Consultant (CHIP, Healthy Okaloosa, Florida Healthy Babies)
 - Mandy Bricker, Health Education Consultant (CHIP, Healthy Okaloosa)
 - Christy Craig, Health Education Consultant (Health Equity)

Overview of OCHIP Groups – Amanda Colwell

- Amanda shared that OCHIP groups are people who will join to work toward improving health in specific priority areas. The groups will make a plan together for how to do this work, coordinate efforts, and target resources. The goal of this work is to achieve better health and wellbeing for Okaloosans.
- Amanda shared attendees of the Okaloosa Health Summit voted on which groups would form. The selected groups and their priority topics include the following:
 - Healthy Behaviors
 - Alcohol & drug use
 - Injury & drowning prevention
 - Fall prevention
 - Nutrition
 - Physical activity
 - Sexual health
 - Tobacco use
 - Vaccines & vaccine hesitancy
 - Healthy Children
 - ACEs
 - Childcare cost and availability
 - Domestic violence
 - Exposure to drugs and alcohol
 - Mental health
 - Resiliency

- Sexual violence
- Child abuse
- Healthy Communities
 - Access to care
 - Age of infrastructure
 - Homelessness
 - Rent costs
 - Affordable housing
 - Social support
 - Traffic issues & pedestrian safety
 - Transportation
 - Zip codes/areas with high rates of health problems
- Healthy Moms & Babies
 - Breastfeeding
 - Home births
 - Increase NICU capacity
 - Lack of prenatal care
 - Safe sleep
 - Shaken Baby Syndrome
 - Sudden Infant Death Syndrome
 - Teen moms
 - Tobacco & vaping

OCHIP Breakout Groups – Emily Tash

- Emily Tash shared that the OCHIP groups will develop action plans. The plans will be multi-year, systematic efforts to address the public health problems voted on as being the most important.
- Emily shared two examples of goals, strategies, and objectives for the groups to use as a guide in developing their own.
- Emily requested each group also select two OCHIP Champions. Champions will serve as leaders of the groups, keeping everyone focused on the goals and guiding the meetings.

Breakout Group Reporting – All

- Emily led a report-out of the goals, objectives, and strategies they discussed during the break-out groups. The following updates were shared:
 - Healthy Behaviors – The selected Champions are Kylee Gallavaan, Freedom Life Compass and Deb Willis, West Florida Area Health Education Center. Emily shared that the group plans to address nicotine, alcohol, and substance use through community education, improving reintegration resources, and increasing signage.
 - Healthy Children – The selected Champions are Sgt. Jessica Trimboli, Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office and Danielle Wilson, Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center. Sgt. Trimboli shared that the Healthy Children group plans to continue to

promote the National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children programs, address food insecurity among youth, and increase awareness of lockdown and lockout protocol.

- Healthy Communities – The selected Champions are Nicole Lockwood, United Way Emerald Coast and Melanie Sinclair, HCA. Sydney shared that the group plans to address pedestrian-related injuries through educating residents and visitors, assessing infrastructure needs, and assessing funding opportunities. The group also plans to reduce the housing burden in Okaloosa County.
- Healthy Moms & Babies – The selected Champions are Ardelle Bush, Healthy Start of Okaloosa and Walton Counties and Crystal Harrison, Homelessness & Housing Alliance of Okaloosa and Walton Counties. Lynn Wadsworth shared the group will continue their work to reduce the infant mortality rate in Okaloosa County. The group also plans to address the Black-White infant mortality rate gap, increase distribution of the Recipe for a Healthy Baby program, and re-engage community partners.
- Emily shared a report-out session will occur during each OCHIP meeting to keep groups aligned and on track with the action plans.

Closing – Amanda Colwell

- Amanda Colwell thanked participants for attending.
- Amanda asked attendees to complete the meeting evaluation form to provide feedback.

Next Meeting – November 2022, Details TBD
Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Appendix A

Attendee Listing

Alex Fuller, Beyond Expectations; Allison McDaniel, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County (DOH-Okaloosa); Amanda Colwell, DOH-Okaloosa; Amy Miller, DOH-Okaloosa; Anamaria Penagos, DOH-Okaloosa; Angela Conner, Davis-Watkins Funeral Home; Anthony Sawyer, 90Works; Ardelle Bush, Healthy Start Coalition of Okaloosa and Walton Counties; Arielle May, Catholic Charities; Autumn McAllister, Lakeview Center; Elizabeth 'Beth' Smith, DOH-Okaloosa; Bethany Guillory, Healthy Start Coalition of Okaloosa and Walton Counties; Beverly Orezza; Bobbi Lowe, Northwest Florida Health; Bonnie Barlow, Bridgeway Center, Inc.; Brent Couch, Simply Healthcare; Cheryl Canipe, Florida Department of Health Child Protection Team; Christeia Hawkins, CDAC Behavioral Health; Christine Syfrett, DOH-Okaloosa; Christopher Dugre, Fort Walton Beach Police Department; Christy Craig, DOH-Okaloosa; Crystal Harrison, Homelessness and Housing Alliance; Dana Crupi, Early Learning Coalition; Danielle Wilson, Emerald Coast Child Advocacy Center; Darrell Welborn, Okaloosa County Emergency Medical Services; Deb Willis, Northwest Florida Area Health Education Center; Denise Manassa, CDAC Behavioral Healthcare; Diane Freeman, A Bed for Me; Emily Tash, DOH-Okaloosa; Gabrielle Smith, CDI Head Start; Mayor JB Whitten, City of Crestview; Jenna McElyea, Bridgeway Center, Inc.; Jennifer Wilhelm, DOH-Okaloosa; Josephine Stockdale, Fort Walton Beach Destin Hospital HCA; Karen Goodson; Katherine 'Kat' Beedie, DOH-Okaloosa; Katie Scott, DOH-Okaloosa; Kelly Jasen, United Way Emerald Coast; Kelsi Gulig, Lakeview Center; Kim Bowman, Emerald Coast Hospice; Kylee Galavan, Freedom Life Compass; Lauren Hobbs, DOH-Okaloosa; Lauren Anzaldo, Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System; Lynn Wadsworth, DOH-Okaloosa; Mandy Bricker, DOH-Okaloosa; Mary Beth Blanchard; Melanie Sinclair, Fort Walton Beach Destin Hospital HCA; Michael Beedie, City of Fort Walton Beach; Mike Coup, Cox Media; Miranda Smollen, Healthy Start Coalition of Okaloosa and Walton Counties; Monica Wallis, Destin Water Users, Inc.; Nancy Dejesus, Bridgeway Center, Inc.; Nicole Lockwood; United Way Emerald Coast; Petra Maddens, DOH-Okaloosa; Robert Bage, Fort Walton Beach Police Department; Robin Neese, Children's Home Society of Florida; Ryan Mims, Florida Department of Health in Walton County (DOH-Walton); Sabina Zunguze, Sabina Speaks; Savannah Cobb, CAN Community Health; Shayne Betts, Walton Okaloosa Council on Aging; Shelia Fitzgerald, Okaloosa County Board of County Commissioners; Solange Arnett, Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center; Sonia Scott; Stephanie Wedel, Freedom Life Compass; Storm Goodlin, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network; Sydney Harper, DOH-Okaloosa; Tami Lawson, Department of Children and Families; Tina Odom, Lakeview Center; and Trisha Dall, DOH-Okaloosa.