



Child Health Advisory Committee

Minutes

May 19, 2022 · 9:00 a.m. – 10:19 a.m. · Zoom Only

Call to order 9:05 a.m.

Zoom: Josh Phelps, Carole Garner, Jerri Clark, Rosa Hatch, Sean Engle, Ashley Williams, Lucas Harder, Cheria McDonald, Elain Prewitt, Bala Simon, Dave Oberembt, Tammie Works **Absent:** Gary Williams, Loretta Alexander, Mike Motley, Melinda Kinnison, Dan Breshears, Paula Rawls, Michele Brown, Patrick Casey

Staff: Shannon Borchert, Shy Whitley

Guests: Brittany Rogers, Shae Martin, Nicole Babock, Sheila Chastain, Krista Jackson, Jessica Barker, Bailey Farnsworth, Lisa Mundy, Anna Haver, Patty Barker, Vivian Nicholson

Review of April minutes: L. Harder moved to adopt the minutes; J. Clark seconded motion. The motion passed and the minutes were adopted.

Act 1220 & Coordinated School Health Reports: D. Oberembt moved to accept the reports; C. Garner seconded motion. The motion passed and the reports were accepted.

Act 1220 Report

Out of the 993 schools that have submitted their Health and Wellness School Improvement Plan for review in Indistar, 473 have been accepted, 58 have been revised and are pending return to ADE, and 10 of them have been revised but need the final submission to be considered “accepted”.

CSH Report

The final Quarterly Coordinated School Health meeting of 2021-2022 school year was held Wednesday, May 4, 2022, and supported 122 attendees from 74 school districts. Participants learned about teen dating violence and relationship skill building by Dr. Nan Stein, Wellesley College Center for Research on Women and Danielle Gray from the Ozark Rape Crisis Center. The Coordinated School Health [website](#).

Old Business

Cristy Park: ADE Rules Governing Nutrition and Physical Activity Standards and Body Mass Index for Age Assessment Protocols in Arkansas Public Schools updates: C. Park provided a draft of suggest revisions that reflect recent legislation, terminology updates, organization name changes, and removing of federal requirements language. While adhering to the Federal Mandates is still required, the goal is to be consistent and have these rules language reflect Arkansas specific requirements. The next steps are for these to be taken to the State Board of Education where they will be approved for release for public comment; then the Governor’s Office will be presented with these changes; then they will be posted for public comment. After public



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comment, they will return to the State Board of Education for final approval; Afterwards, the Rules will be presented to the Arkansas Legislative Council.

New Business

Recommendation Topics 2023: Based on current trends suggested recommendation topics for consideration are:

- Wellness Committee training for all school staff
- Physical activity improvements
- Mental health
- Child nutrition

Recommendation Subcommittees: Subcommittees to address the above topics will be further discussed and defined in the June 16, 2022 CHAC meeting.

Member & Non-Member Updates

Carole Garner (Arkansas Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics): White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health in September 2022 information can be found here:

<https://health.gov/our-work/nutrition-physical-activity/white-house-conference-hunger-nutrition-and-health> . Bobbie Davis, the first ADE representative on CHAC and was integral to the original CHAC recommendations passed on May 13, 2022. The committee has been provided information regarding a condolences message to Mrs. Davis' Family.

Tammie Works (Arkansas State Nutrition Association): “The 2022 State Conference will be held October 28-29, 2022, at the Hot Springs Convention Center”. More information about ASNA and the conference can be found here: <https://arsna.org/>.

Jerri Clark (ADE, Division of Elementary and Secondary Education): The DESE School Health Services office will host Cairn Guidance to offer the Making Change Happen- Systems of Change Game on Friday, June 10th, from 8:30am-3:30 pm at the Holiday Inn Little Rock Airport Conference Center. Event registration can be found here: https://www.escweb.net/ar_esc/catalog/session.aspx?session_id=475069 .

Cheria McDonald (Arkansas School Nurse Association): There have been 3 trainings “What’s Poverty Got to do with It?”. We are collecting stories already of those using the information they learned in this training to change practices.

Arkansas’s poverty rate of 17.2% is the seventh highest in the US, only surpassed by Louisiana and Mississippi in the South. Kids Count data indicate that 24% of children in Arkansas live in poverty. The COVID-19 pandemic has worsened this issue, with many more children and families in the crisis of poverty than ever before.



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School nurses see the impact of poverty on student health, firsthand. It affects students in a variety of ways. It can be seen via health issues stemming from food insecurity, poor housing, homelessness, or limited access to medical care for illnesses. Students who are living in the crisis of poverty have higher rates of hospital admissions, disability days, and death rates. There are 4.25 Contact Hours that will be provided. This nursing continuing professional development activity was approved by the Midwest Multistate Division, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

Location	City	Date
Arkansas River Education Cooperative	Pine Bluff	13-Apr
Wilbur D. Mills Education Cooperative	Beebe	27-Apr
Guy-Fenter Education Cooperative	Branch	11-May
Southwest High School-LRSD	Little Rock	14-Jun
ASU Building-across from the Capital	Little Rock	22-Jun
Southwest Education Cooperative	Hope	21-Sep
Northwest Education Cooperative	Farmington	2-Nov

Lisa Mundy (Society of Health and Physical Educators of Arkansas) : The SHAPE Arkansas conference information can be found here: <https://www.shapearkansas.com/eventpage>. The conference is scheduled from June 15-16, 2022 from 8:30 a.m. - 3:50 p.m.

Adjourn: 10:19 a.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, June 16, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Zoom Meeting Only

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/96682665672>

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