



BOARD OF HEALTH

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The Thurston County Board of Health has responsibility and authority for public health in both incorporated and unincorporated areas of the County.

Agenda of February 12, 2013

Summary of Timed Items

3:30 p.m.) Call Meeting to Order
3:35 p.m.) Presentations

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Approval of the Agenda
Approval of January 8, 2013 meeting minutes

3:35 p.m.) Presentation – Infectious Disease Control

Item: Infectious Disease Surveillance and Control System for Public Health

10 minutes

Description: Thurston County Public Health and Social Services is part of a national “Notifiable Conditions Surveillance and Control System” that takes information on infectious disease cases from health providers, laboratories, and hospitals. Although effective in preventing most disease outbreaks, this system has vulnerabilities that will be reviewed.

Staff Contact: Deborah Allen, Personal Health Division Director

Staff Recommended Action: No action - information only

Item: Controlling Influenza and Norovirus: Infectious Diseases of Current Concern

20 minutes

Description: Two contagious conditions – influenza and norovirus – are currently active in Thurston County. The ongoing actions and response to outbreaks for these diseases will be reviewed.

Staff Contact: Dr. Diana Yu, Health Officer

Staff Recommended Action: No action - information only

Item: Nursing Consulting Program

30 minutes

Description: Tacoma-Pierce County has developed a model system of communication and engagement with infectious disease control partners – physicians, pharmacists, schools, hospitals, etc. – called the Nurse Consultant Program. Dr. Anthony Chen, Department Director, will review how this program is organized and why his organization uses community health nurses as the Department liaison with community partners.

Staff Contact: Don Sloma

Staff Recommended Action: No action - information only

Invited Guest: Dr. Anthony Chen, Director, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department

1) 3 minutes **Opportunity for the Public to Address the Board**
per citizen

2) 5 minutes **Follow-up on Citizen Issues**

Department Items

3) 5 minutes **Proposed Resolution – Support State Funding for Public Health**

a) **Item Description:** a proposed resolution calling on the Washington state legislature to maintain current levels of funding for foundational public health services

4) 10 minutes **Board Members' Reports**

a) **Item Description:** Board Members will report on public health and social services involvement.

5) 5 minutes **Director's Report**

a) **Item Description:** Don Sloma will report on Public Health and Social Services Department issues.

6) 5 minutes **Health Officer's Report**

a) **Item Description:** Dr. Diana T. Yu will report on public health issues.

7) **Adjournment**

Motion: Move to adjourn the Board of Health meeting of February 12, 2013