



Elmore County Health Coalition Meeting

Thursday, October 17th, 2024

12:00 – 1:00pm

See meeting recording [here](#).

Agenda

12:00 – 12:05 PM Welcome and Introductions

Attendees: Allan Carroll, Felicia Craddieth, Mindy Curran, Justin Humber, Alex Yewcic, Mason Askew, Amy Balzer, Travis Schmidt, Christine Hummer, Vicky Jekich

12:05-12:10 PM CDH Opioid Settlement Fund Environmental Scan

Courtney Boyce

Courtney gave a wonderful short presentation about the Opioid Settlement Funds Environmental Scan at CDH is facilitating. CDH is looking for community organizations to agree to host a focus group or key informants to participate in a focus group. Plans to start facilitating those focus groups are going to begin in November. If there are any questions, please reach out to Courtney Boyce at cboye@cdh.idaho.gov. More information and details about about the environmental scan can be found in the *ECHO and BCHO OSF Focus Group Presentation 10.11.2024* powerpoint presentation in the minutes email. Please complete the following survey if you know an organization or individual who would like to participate:

https://boisestate.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8nU1zc7U1xe3qFE

Justin is going to follow up with Courtney but needs to get approved through corporate.

12:10-12:20 PM St. Luke's Mental and Behavioral Health Presentation

Vicky Jekich

In response to the recent youth death by suicide in Mountain Home, St. Lukes has released and has been sharing 2 different resources related to suicide postvention recommendations: Core Response Strategies and Event Planning Considerations.

Vicky also proposed the coalition and/or especially the mental health committee look into scheduling a deeper dive of these resources with the St. Luke's Behavioral Health clinicians.

Vicky also shared a history of the Yellow Buddy Bench Story, and then that St. Lukes is working with in the Mental Health Subcommittee and community partners to reinvigorate the Yellow

Bench Story and had a yellow bench at their You Are More festival event booth and it was a success!

Travis mentioned that the VA is partnering with St.Lukes to distribute 10,000 gun locks for community members in need within their emergency departments within their footprint. For FREE gunlocks, suicide prevention consultation, and anything related to Veterans Affairs contact: travis.schmidt2@va.gov 208-353-8378.

12:20- 12:35 PM Committee Updates:Nutrition, Nicotine/SUD, Mental Health

- *Mental Health Committee Updates:*

MH committee chose to create articles and content for: January 2025, May 2025, September 2025.

Proposed the idea of doing a coalition overview article for December 2024, recapping what the coalition has accomplished and inviting community members to get involved.

MH committee will review and update mental health resources on a bi-annual schedule. Ali will go over each of the resources at the beginning of the year and update resources and check to see if they are on FindHelpIdaho.org.

Discussed their tentative plan for in-person MH committee meetings to occur in March 2025 and September 2025.

Next steps: sharing evaluation link at trainings and events to identify needs, as identified by community members.

- *Nicotine/SUD Committee Update:*

Justin Humber has graciously volunteered to help facilitate the nicotine/SUD committee! Hooray! Mindy will work to get Justin all of the access he needs to get started on his help with facilitation 😊

- *Nutrition Committee Updates:*

Completed the first Cooking Matters nutrition class at the senior centers mid-October! It was a successful partnership between Desert Sage and CDH, and 16 adults started the class, 8 adults completed all 6 sessions. Overall, we hope to continue the partnership and continue with Cooking Matters in Elmore County! We have gotten great feedback from participants!

Nutrition Committee is also going to look into doing Cooking Matters classes in Glenns Ferry with a church out there, as well as working with Albion (not optimist, I misspoke) Soccer League to lead classes with parents whose kids are playing soccer!

The Elmore County Food Locator cards are complete!! Please contact Mindy to get some printed cards, and/or download and print, as they are attached to the minutes email 😊 Vicky

reccommended to put them in the Meals on Wheels boxes and El-Ada.

This month, committees (nutrition and substance use) should review the [communication schedule](#) and pick 2 to 3 months in 2025 to create content/ articles for and also review and enter data into the respective data collection tools (Mindy will follow up with Justin and Ali on this).

12:35 – 12:45 PM Executive Committee Vote & Coalition Meeting Change

Mindy Curran

The ECHC and all respective, active members, voted in three new executive committee members for 2025-2026! Welcome to the ECHC Executive Committee Allan Carroll, Lisa Melchiorre, and Cassi Garza! Based on our new executive committee, and their need to be active and involved in coalition happenings, we need to re-evaluate our meeting times. Therefore, meeting our regular coalition meeting day/ times are in the process of being changed. Please stay tuned for the updated meeting changes.

Christy Accord was nominated and voted in as our new ECHC Communication Manager. Welcome Christy! Mindy will connect with Christy to get her set up with all of the information she will need as the communication manager.

12:45 – 1:00 PM Roundtable Updates, Announcements, Ideas- Open to all

- ECHC will start planning and coordinating for the Glens Ferry STEAM Night happening Nov 14th
- Please fill out a member agreement if you have not done so yet. All members, current and past or those interested in becoming more active must complete a member agreement to be a voting member. [Here](#) is the member agreement.

Next meeting: TBD

Find the Elmore County Health Coalition landing page and past minutes and presentations here: <https://cdh.idaho.gov/community-health/community-health-partnerships/elmore-county-healthcare-coalition/>