



## STAFF REPORT

**Report To:** Board of Health

**Meeting Date:** August 15, 2019

**Staff Contact:** Nicki Aaker (naaker@carson.org)

**Agenda Title:** For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action regarding the Carson City Health and Human Services' (CCHHS) Director's report which includes: (1) a 2019 legislative update concerning public health issues and the plan for the interim; (2) notification of Clinic Services' Back to School Immunization schedule; (3) CCHHS re-accreditation preparation; (4) an overview of a presentation by Mike Oravetz, CCHHS Registered Environmental Health Specialist, presented at a national conference; and (5) notification of upcoming events that may be of interest to the Board of Health members and the public. (Nicki Aaker; NAaker@carson.org)

**Staff Summary:** The 2019 legislative session ended with some public health gains and some losses which will be reported and the plan for the interim until the next legislative session will be discussed. Since school is starting in Carson City on August 19, 2019, Clinic Services offers additional days in which parents can get their children any required vaccinations.

**Agenda Action:** Formal Action / Motion

**Time Requested:** 20 minutes

### **Proposed Motion**

I move to accept the Director's report (with any feedback or direction given by the Board).

### **Board's Strategic Goal**

Organizational Culture

### **Previous Action**

The 2019 Public Health Legislative Priorities were presented to the Board of Health on February 21, 2019.

### **Background/Issues & Analysis**

Kids will be going back to school soon. CCHHS provides all the needed vaccinations and will be open additional hours for Back to School Immunizations.

The CCHHS team is preparing for re-accreditation due in April 2021. Accreditation has helped the Health Department improve quality improvement process and enculturate it within the Health Department. One of the goals in Carson City's Strategic Plan is Organizational Culture which has an objective of fostering continuous quality improvement. Accreditation will help further meet this goal.

Mike Oravetz, Registered Environmental Health Specialist, completed a Fellowship in Food Protection. As part of the program, he presented his research project to his peers across the country at the Annual Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO) Educational Conference in June. His presentation was titled, "Cooling Protocol Compliance of Restaurants in Carson City and Douglas County, NV". He will present highlights of his research.

Calendar of Events -

- Carson City Behavioral Health Task Force – 2nd Friday of each month; Sheriff’s Office Ormsby Room; 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
- National Association of Local Board of Health Conference; Denver, CO; August 14-16
- 2019 Nevada Public Health Annual Conference - Whitney Peak Hotel; Reno, NV; September 24-25
- Jessica Rapp, Public Health Preparedness Communication Specialist, is presenting with Emily Gould from the Division of Public and Behavioral Health on Wednesday, September 25th; 2:45pm, “CASPER: An Opportunity to Facilitate Change”
- A presentation was given at the November 2018 Board of Health meeting about the result of the Community Assessment for Public Health Emergency Response completed in Carson City. The final report is on the CDC website and on our website - [https://gethealthycarsoncity.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/CASPER-Executive-Summary\\_Final.pdf](https://gethealthycarsoncity.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/CASPER-Executive-Summary_Final.pdf).

**Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation**

N/A

**Financial Information**

**Is there a fiscal impact?** No

**If yes, account name/number:**

**Is it currently budgeted?**

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact:**

**Alternatives**

Modify the CCHHS' Director's report as presented.

**Attachments:**

[Back to School.pdf](#)

[Oravetz Introduction Slide for BOH 8.15.pdf](#)

[Public Health Legislative Priorities.pdf](#)

**Board Action Taken:**

Motion: _____	1) _____	Aye/Nay
	2) _____	_____
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(Vote Recorded By)

## Back to School Immunizations

- To get vaccinated before the rush – Carson City Health and Human Services (CCHHS) is open every Thursday from 8:30–11:30 and 1:00–4:30 on a walk-in basis for immunizations.
- Special Back to School Immunization Days will be held at CCHHS during the week of August 12th – 16<sup>th</sup>; 8:30–11:30 and 1:00–4:30 on a walk-in basis.
- We will also be accepting walk-ins for immunizations on the first day of school for the Carson City School District on Monday, August 19th.

We take Medicaid as well as most private insurance plans. You can also call for an appointment at the Carson City School-Based Health Center (open Tuesday and Thursdays), Sierra Family Health, or your child's private doctor.



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## Cooling Protocol Compliance of Restaurants in Carson City and Douglas County NV

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## Public Health Legislative Priorities

### Public Health Funding – AB97 (Did not pass)(Continuing to work on during the interim)

- Establish a Public Health Improvement Fund; Division of Public and Behavioral Health to administer
- Appropriate \$5 per capita to the Fund to build public health infrastructure and capacity that supports foundational public health services in Nevada
- Allocate funds based on population to public health authorities established under NRS 439
- Utilize funds to evaluate the health and public health needs within area and determine the level of priority of the public health needs (completed in Community Health Needs Assessments)

### E-Cigarettes

- Establish the age for purchase of tobacco products as 21 (Removed from bill)(Will work on during the interim, watch the federal legislation)(An emergency bill presented at the end of session that did not pass, which was a win for public health.)
- Include e-cigarettes and other vaping products as “other tobacco products” for purpose of taxation (Passed)
- License e-cigarette retailers (Passed)
- Prohibit e-cigarette vaping wherever smoking is prohibited (Clean Indoor Air Act)(Passed)
- Utilize e-cigarette and other vaping products “other tax products” tax proceeds to fund the Public Health Improvement Fund and tobacco prevention (Appropriation of funds, approximately 2.5M, to go to Department of Public and Behavioral Health and portion to be given Nevada Tobacco Prevention Coalition, the local health departments, and Nevada coalitions.)

### Behavioral Health – AB85 (Passed)

- Northern Nevada Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board submitted suggestions to clarify language and standardization of the “legal hold” practices across the state within NRS 433A.

### Mobile Outreach Safety Teams (Did not pass)

- Award grant of money to local governments or bona fide agent in any county whose population is less than 100,000 to provide Mobile Outreach Safety Team services to persons in a behavioral or mental health crisis.



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#### Other Public Health Wins

- Continue family planning grants
- Ensures Nevada stays compliant with the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement
- Four Tobacco Control bills passed the Legislature and have been signed into law

#### Other Public Health Losses

- How immunization data is collected and reported
- Sex education
- Access to health care, provider shortages and medical professional licensing boards