

## MINUTES

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

**Attendees:** See Appendix A

### Welcome & Introductions – Amanda Colwell

- Amanda Colwell opened the meeting and welcomed attendees.
- Amanda reviewed the meeting's purpose and agenda.
- Attendees reviewed the minutes from the last OCHIP meeting. The minutes were approved as written.
- Amanda shared Community Engagement Survey results from the previous meeting. Attendees shared they enjoyed the hybrid setting and the breakout sessions were productive. Meeting weaknesses included the meeting length and low attendance. DOH-Okaloosa will now share feedback at each meeting to improve transparency and ensure meetings meet the needs of the community.

### Presentation of Community Health Improvement Plan Draft – Amanda Colwell

- Amanda explained the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) serves as an overview of the goals, objectives, and strategies developed by OCHIP members in September.
- Amanda explained the CHIP builds off of the data presented in the Community Health Assessment (CHA) and focuses on the priority areas selected as most important at the Okaloosa Health Summit.
- Amanda clarified that while the CHIP is a community-driven and collectively owned health improvement plan, DOH-Okaloosa is responsible for providing administrative support, tracking and collecting data, and preparing the report. This report will run from 2022 to 2027.
- Amanda shared how the CHIP was developed, read the goals and objectives for each group, and explained how DOH-Okaloosa will track the data to ensure each group stays on track to meet their goals.
- Amanda said OCHIP members will receive a copy of the CHIP via email once approved.

### OCHIP Breakout Groups – Emily Tash

- Emily Tash stated the OCHIP groups will finalize their action plans during the meeting. The plans will be multi-year, systematic efforts to address the public health problems voted on as being the most important.
- Emily requested each group break out into their individual OCHIP groups to finalize the previously developed goals and objectives and create an action plan.

### **Breakout Group Reporting – Petra Maddens**

- Petra led a report-out of the finalized goals, objectives, and strategies, new members needed, and recurring group meeting plan. The following updates were shared:
  - Healthy Behaviors – The group aims to focus on providing evidence-based resources and education for alcohol, substance use, and 'life controlling circumstances' related to reintegration. They plan to discuss new membership at their next meeting on January 11<sup>th</sup>. They will also determine a recurring meeting plan at that time.
  - Healthy Children – The group plans to address food insecurity, mental health resilience among students, and expand on previous goals from the Okaloosa County Alliance for Drug Endangered Children and Communities. They plan to invite new members from Sharing and Caring, the Okaloosa County School District, and Northwest Florida Health Network. They will meet the last Wednesday of every month.
  - Healthy Communities – The group will work to increase workforce housing to address housing burden. They also want to reduce pedestrian injuries and deaths, including an added focus on older adult injuries using data from EMS calls. They plan to invite new members from the Okaloosa County Fire Department's CARES program, local housing authorities, the Homelessness and Housing Alliance, and local hospital system. They will meet next on January 19<sup>th</sup> and will determine a recurring meeting schedule at that time.
  - Healthy Moms & Babies – The group will focus on maternal advocacy and promoting the use of evidence-based best practices in maternal and infant care. They also want to reintroduce the adoption of social media messaging to accomplish these goals. They plan to invite new members from the Early Learning Coalition, Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office, local hospital system, and local faith-based organizations. They plan to meet on the second Thursday of every other month.

### **Closing – Amanda Colwell**

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

*Next Meeting – OCHIP groups will meet separately moving forward.*

*Healthy Behaviors – Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM at Freedom Life Compass*

*Healthy Children – Wednesday January 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM at the Early Learning Coalition*

*Healthy Communities – Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM at the Emergency Operations Center*

*Healthy Moms & Babies – Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM at NWFSC Nursing Building*

*Meeting adjourned at 10:28 AM.*

## **Appendix A**

### Attendee Listing

Alex Fuller, Beyond Expectations; Lynn Wadsworth, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County (DOH-Okaloosa); Crystal Harrison, Homelessness and Housing Alliance; Kimberly Fraley, Okaloosa County Elder Services; Amber Wockey, Early Learning Coalition of the Emerald Coast; Dana Crupi, Early Learning of the Emerald Coast; Theresa Ryan, Northwest Florida State College; Shelia Fitzgerald, Okaloosa County; Robert Bage, Fort Walton Beach Police Department; Stephanie Wedel, Freedom Life Compass; Greg Cain, Okaloosa County Emergency Medical Services; Emily Tash, DOH-Okaloosa; Jennifer Wilhelm, DOH-Okaloosa; Lauren Hobbs, DOH-Okaloosa; Amanda Colwell, DOH-Okaloosa; Petra Maddens, DOH-Okaloosa; Mandy Bricker, DOH-Okaloosa; Christy Craig, DOH-Okaloosa; Demeika McClendon, Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office; Autumn McAllister, Lakeview Center; Mayor JB Whitten, City of Crestview; Robin Neese, Children's Home Society of Florida; Karen Reid, Lotus Learning Center; Katherine Beedie, DOH-Okaloosa; Julie Finucane, Student; Jemalyn Lopez, Student; Savannah Cobb, CAN Community Health; Ardelle Bush, Healthy Start Coalition of Okaloosa and Walton Counties; Solange Arnett, Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center; Kylee Gallavan, Freedom Life Compass; Denise Manassa, CDAC Behavioral Healthcare; Renee Phillippi, Medi Home Health; Vanessa Byerly, Lakeview Center; Deb Willis, West Florida Area Health Education Center; Lauren Anzaldo, Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System; Lisa Greear, DOH-Okaloosa; Daniel Payne, City of Fort Walton Beach; Debbie Sands, Kindred-Centerwell Home Health; Allison McDaniel; DOH-Okaloosa.