

LHC Meeting Minutes

October 22, 2020

Recorded by Rosa Rhoden, Quartz

Attendees: Katie Hensel, Patricia Tellez-Giron, Arely Tinoco, Carissa Loeper, Evelyn Cruz, Fernando Cano, Judith Rasmussen, Kristi Jones, Chris Chapman, Lourdes Shanjani, Martha Saucedo, Nina Gregerson, Rosa Rhoden, Shelly Shaw, Sylvia Ruiz, Tehmina Islam, Joshy Castillo, Felipe Mesa-Morales, William Parke-Sutherland, Maria Mora Pinzon, Juan Carlos Cabrera, Faatima Khan, Shiva Bidar, Kirsten Norslien, Julio Molina, Cecilia Goldschmidt, Daniela Martin, Christopher Mullen, Tania Hernandez, Christian Pelayo

Announcements:

- Minutes were approved after a motion by: Fernando Cano and seconded by: Martha Saucedo.
- Mendota Mental Health – has open positions with Mendota Mental Health, you can find them at the Wisconsin State Jobs website (wisc.state.jobs)
 - Also can look at CWC - CNAs can earn a \$2,000 signing bonus and receive training
 - RCC hiring for bilingual director, info will be sent by email.
- Christopher Mullen: BSP Clinic: taking new referrals, has extended hours due to telehealth services, PT Executive position currently open w/work from home option. SSM Health retired Dr. Doctor will be joining the council in near future.
- Lourdes Shanjani: Contact tracing model being changed due to lack of capacity. System is strained due by high and increasing Covid #s, please see link below for greater detail.
- <https://publichealthmdc.com/news/with-surge-in-covid-19-cases-public-health-madison-dane-county-moving-to-crisis-model-of>
 - Flu shot clinic entrance has changed to Olin Ave (wait time of 5mins max). PHMDC is holding a free drive thru flu vaccine starting on October 6th at the Alliant Energy Center. No appointment is needed, no ID is needed; insurance is not needed; translators who speak Spanish and Hmong will be onsite. Walk ups will be accommodated. You can find additional details here:
 - <https://publichealthmdc.com/health-services/immunizations/influenza-the-flu>
- Faatima Khan: Agrace is announcing an Adult Day Center which is in the works; planning to open April 2021. The program will accommodate up to 64 people/day. Nutritious meals, mentally stimulating activities will be offered; Location will be 15 mins. from Fitchburg location.

Old Business:

- Shiva Bidar: **Covid updates**, UW has free flu drive thru clinic and available for all UW Patients regardless of insurance. No appointment needed please share link below.
<https://www.uwhealth.org/la-gripe/53514>
 - Testing Site on South Madison: Specifically focused for Latinx community to make sure to have bilingual, bicultural staff to disperse educational material on site. Because of increased covid #s the LHC will continue to advocate for this established site to remain available to the community. Updated flyer will be passed to LHC members.
 - Latino Chamber of Commerce continues to hand out masks.

- Emphasis continues re: wearing mask & keeping 6 ft. distance, etc.
- Now turning attention to mental health support – working with Project Recovery, which is funded through FEMA, goal is to provide emotional support during crises; just hired two bilingual staff who can provide up to five calls for individuals experiencing a crisis (but this is NOT therapy, can work with referrals) through summer 2021. All Latinx businesses have direct access, contact information for the public, or there is 211 too.
- Patricia has posters that you can have for your business or organization about how to obtain and clean your mask

MOLA: Continual talks with Il. group have helped establish a WI. board; Dr Tellez is the funding President. More specific info will be forthcoming in January.

PALMA: Students coordinating Live Facebook videos discussing COVID, resulting in 15K viewers who are being educated by 40mins presentations. Seniors were approached about sharing their Covid stories on FB and they are onboard. The Youth group will help promote the Senior Group Discussions.

Christian Pelayo: High School Mentoring Program

Objective is to create a mentoring program to develop close relationships w/high school students. They plan to help Junior/Seniors with the college process and help Freshman/Sophomore identify their interests. Goal is to help students consider medical field as a career, promote community involvement so students can have an early experience of college life & help them build up their college resumes, plus assist with application process. Dr. Tellez and students are collaborating w/multiple agencies-- more to come in January 2021.

New Business:

- **Minutes Takers for 2021:** reviewed current sign up sheet. Five more volunteers needed, please review and consider signing up. Two \$50 gift cards were raffled off with Hannah Flannigan and Cecilia Goldschmidt being the winners.
- **Reflecting, Planning moving forward:**
 - Due to Covid LHC will continue to meet virtually.
 - Will invite organizations to present and will continue with some organizations' updates. Changes were approved after a motion by: Fernando Cano and seconded by: Evelyn Cruz
- Members are advised to provide name of organization(s) and or topic of interest they wish to learn more about in 2021. Please email information to either Juan Carlos or Dr. Tellez-Giron.
 - Proposal to move annual events/create others virtually. Subcommittee will be formed to assist w/this.
 - Possible topic of consideration:
 1. creating support groups for: Parents, Elderly, Latinx Professionals, etc.
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