



## Latino Health Council

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84687507802>

August 26, 2021

9:30-11:30

**Attendees:** Patricia Tellez-Giron -UW Department of Family Medicine; Shiva Bidar-UW Health; Juan Carlos- Executive Assistant LHC; Arely Tinoco-GHC ; Marcella Kyngesburys- RCC; Katie Hensel- Tri 4 Schools; Fernando Cano-Mendota Mental Health; Garrett Tusler- New Bridge; Faatima Khan-Agrace; Judith Rasmussen- Wisconsin Council of the Blind; Elizabeth Ringle- UW Family Medicine; Anne Plesh- SSM Health; Evelyn Cruz- Centro Hispano; Lourdes Shanjani- Public Health Madison & Dane County; Rodrigo Valdivia- Dane County Office for Equity and Inclusion; Rosario Rhoden- Quartz; Evie Storto- Journey Clinica Latina; Jacqueline Rodriguez- PALMA; Viridiana Carreno- PALMA; Tehmina Islam- Madison Area Midwives; Stephanie Munoz- Kids Forward; William Parke-Sutherland- Kids Forward; Chris Chapman- HIV Care and Prevention; Ana Karina Cuello- Breast and Cervical Cancer UW; Martha Saucedo- Access; Claudia Bustillo- Southern Regional Center; Jhonathan Real- Unidos; Kristi Jones- UWSMPH.

0. Meditation exercise.
  - a. Martha Saucedo guided the group through a different exercise and instead we practiced gratitude for each other and ourselves.
1. Introductions/checking in
  - a. Dr. Patricia Tellez-Giron asked about our favorite Word for the introduction. Many people shared more than one word or even a phrase. If you want to share your words to create a word cloud for all of us to have & be inspired, please add them here: <https://www.menti.com/acdx9hhh9j>
2. Minutes (approval/corrections)
  - a. June & July minutes.
  - b. Fernando moved to approved and Evelyn second.
3. Announcements
  - a. Fernando is moving to a new role as Director for Equity & Inclusion for RICE. Congrats Fernando! His current position at Mendota will be posted. Free Educational Group in partnership with Agrace from Sept 08 to Oct 13. In Spanish. Online. Via zoom. Six individual sessions. Each one is its own subject. Support and education with grieve. This is not a support group. Open to the public. No capacity limit. Dr. Patricia encourages the group to consider attending the presentations.
  - b. Elizabeth Ringle – Physician awards: Young Physician, Superhero of Medicine, and Grants: <https://foundation.wismed.org/wisconsin/> or email [elizabeth.ringle@wismed.org](mailto:elizabeth.ringle@wismed.org). Foundation will make a donation on the awardees behalf to the non-profit of their choice.
  - c. RCC completed first mindfulness practice MBSR virtual

4. Old business:

a. COVID updates

- i. **Current Data:** Dane county continues to have some of the highest number of Latinx vaccinated in the nation (63% compared to 65% of the non-Hispanic community). More work to do in the 12-15 year old group.
- ii. **Hospitalizations:** Continue to see an increase in hospitalizations, higher peak after highest peak last year.
- iii. **Public Health Order:** PHMDC issued Face Covering Emergency Order that requires anyone 2 and older to wear a mask in indoor public places. This order is effective from August 19 to September 16, 2021.
- iv. **COVID Vaccine:** Vaccines are still highly effective at preventing COVID19 even against the Delta variant.
  - CDC changed guidelines very small and specific group of people to receive an additional dose of Pfizer or Moderna Vaccine.
  - There is also conversation about a booster shot 8 months after receiving the second dose of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine.
  - People who received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine are not eligible for any additional doses at this time.
  - Receive an additional dose of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine
  - Everyone ages 12 and older that get their first dose of any COVID-19 vaccine between August 20 and September 6 from a vaccine provider located in Wisconsin, get \$100! <https://100.wisconsin.gov/>
- v. **Outreach:**
  - Increase in the amount of presentation requests
  - Shopping bags distributed in the community with information about vaccines. In partnership with PALMA Students & Latino Chamber of Commerce. Designed by Unidos.
  - Participation at different events: Latin music Fest and First Latino Art Festival.

5. New business:

- ✚ **Kids Forward** - Statewide advocacy research center focused in economic equity, racial justice and juvenile justice.
  - a. New CEO ( previous COO)
  - b. Launched 2 new podcasts: WI Talk Youth Justice & How can we strengthen WI Families (Early childhood education)
  - c. Hiring Communications Director – passionate about racial equity and contribute to the environment of becoming an advocacy center. Role: <https://kidsforward.org/about-kidsforward/jobs-internships/communications-director/>
  - d. Presentation:
    - i. **Health Care Governor’s Budget Proposal**
      - Fully Expand BadgerCare or state Medicaid program
      - Grants to support Black-women led and Community serving organizations
      - One-year continuous postpartum coverage through badgercare
      - Increase funding for prevention and treatment of lead poisoning
      - Making children’s long-term support an entitlement

- ii. **Final Budget:**
  - Did not expand badger care
  - Removed grants to support black women led organizations
  - Little funding to support lead treatment efforts
  - Extended postpartum coverage for an additional 30 days (90 days in total) which is far short was proposed.
- iii. **Other areas include** taxes; juvenile justice, early care & education (see attached presentation for reference).
- iv. **Become involved:**
  - ✓ Call or email senators and rep
  - ✓ Encourage friends, family members and clients to share their stories
  - ✓ Write a letter to the editor
  - ✓ Sign up for email updates & action alerts to stay informed
- v. **Question for the group:** How can Kids Forward better engage with health care systems and other stakeholder groups as we do advocacy work for budget and legislative priorities, such as BadgerCare Expansion?  
Please send suggestions to Stephanie [smunoz@kidsforward.org](mailto:smunoz@kidsforward.org)
- vi. **Related links:**
  - <http://www.wisconsinbudgetproject.org/>
  - <https://kidsforward.org/research/opportunity-wasted-legislature-removes-nearly-all-items-promoting-racial-equity-from-the-state-budget/>
  - <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdcEMVFmtqtrXm0khf qJwtn20QMN0Bhq8beDX6gbJOhmj1QoQ/viewform>

Meeting adjourned

**Next meeting:** September 23, 2021

**Presenter:** Gilda's Club and UW Breast Cancer Center

**Minutes:** William Parke-Sutherland