

The State of Utah DHHS and Local Public Health Governance Committee Meeting



Minutes

Date: July 21st, 2025 Time: 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

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Committee Co-Chairs: Janae Duncan & Eric Edwards

Presenting Chair:

Eric Edwards

Voting Members:

David Litvack, Eric Edwards, Heather Borski, Janae Duncan, Kirk Benge, Nathan Selin

Alternates:

Brian Hatch, Melissa Stevens Dimond

Attendees:

Braden Ainsworth, Brian Hatch, David Litvack, Eric Edwards, Heather Borski, Jeffrey Eason, Jerry Edwards, Nathan Selin

Approve Minutes: July 7th, 2025

1st: Heather Borski 2nd: Nathan Selin

Motion was approved unanimously.

Grant Reviews:

| Grant Title | Executive Committee Review | Description |
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| <p>Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG)</p> <p>Period: 10/1/2025 to 9/30/2026</p> <p>\$1,668,725</p> <p>Due: 7/25/2025</p> <p>Needs Review</p> | <p>The Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG) was reviewed by HPAP Exec. in May and July and has received a favorable recommendation to Governance.</p> | <p>The Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG) is funding for critical public health programs and infrastructure. Funds are allowed to address local and state needs. The focus of PHHSBG funds has been centered around prevention. The state health objective is to decrease the percentage of Utah Adults who report fair or poor general health from 14.5% to 12% through local health department strategies centered around social determinants of health.</p> |

Rules Review/Discussion:

| Rule # | Rule Name | Topic |
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Other Agenda Items:

| Other Agenda Topic | Discussion Includes | Notes |
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| Updates to the Blood Lead Disease Plan | Jeff Eason | Epi/Informatics Exec group discussed updates to the blood lead disease plan. The group unanimously approved the plan with incorporation of changes discussed during the meeting. |
| Just an update to inform Governance of the approval from Exec group. | | |

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| Review contingency plans for the Epidemiology & Laboratory Capacity (ELC) and Environmental Public Health Tracking Program (EPTHP) grants. | Jeff Eason | |
| 1 st : Brian Hatch | 2 nd : David Litvack | Motion was approved unanimously. |

Exempt Grants (These grants have been labeled as exempt during the past two weeks):

| Grant Name | Application Due | Description |
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Next Governance Meeting: August 4th, 2025