

# Minutes

Date: April 20th, 2026 Time: 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

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Committee Co-Chairs: Janae Duncan & Kirk Bengé

## Presenting Chair:

Janae Duncan

## Voting Members:

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

## Alternates:

Brian Hatch, Melissa Stevens Dimond

## Attendees:

Braden Ainsworth, Brian Hatch, Chris Nelson, David Litvack, Dean Penovich, Eric Edwards, Heather Borski, James Schow, Janae Duncan, Jerry Edwards, Jill Parker, Kirk Bengé, Melissa Stevens Dimond, Nathan Selin

## Approve Minutes: April 6th, 2026

1<sup>st</sup>: Kirk Bengé 2<sup>nd</sup>: Nathan Selin

Motion was approved unanimously.

## Grant Reviews:

Grant Title	Executive Committee Review	Description
<p>Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) Cooperative Agreement (BP3)</p> <p>Funding Period: 7/1/26 – 6/30/2027</p> <p>Dollar Amount: \$2,284,796</p> <p>Application Due: 5/8/2026</p> <p>Grant Status: Needs Review</p>	<p>The Preparedness Exec Committee reviewed and approved this application.</p>	<p>This is the continuing application for the 3rd year in a 5-year project period of the Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP), a cooperative agreement program that, through its support for health care coalitions (HCCs), prepares the health care delivery system to save lives during emergencies that exceed the day-to-day capacity of health care and emergency response systems.</p>
<p>1<sup>st</sup>: Heather Borski    2<sup>nd</sup>: Kirk Bengel Motion was approved unanimously.</p>		

Grant Title	Executive Committee Review	Description
<p>Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention and Surveillance of Blood Lead Levels in Children</p> <p>Funding Period: 9/30/26-9/29/27</p> <p>Dollar Amount: \$404,355</p>	<p>The Environmental Health Exec Committee reviewed and approved this application on April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026.</p>	<p>This is the non-competitive continuation for Year 6 of the CDC partnership for the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention and Surveillance of Blood Lead Levels in Children. The purpose of this grant is to support primary and secondary prevention strategies for childhood lead poisoning prevention and surveillance.</p>



## Rules Review/Discussion:

Rule #	Rule Name	Description
R392-703	Massage Facilities and Saunas	DHHS is required to set sanitation standards for massage and sauna facilities. Since no standards have been set, EHP proposed this new rule to bring DHHS into compliance with the statute. The EHEC unanimously voted in favor of the new rule and submitted R392-703 to Governance with a positive recommendation.
1 <sup>st</sup> : David Litvack		2 <sup>nd</sup> : Heather Borski
Motion was approved unanimously.		
R392-701	Body Art Facility Sanitation	The amendment aligns the rule with the statute and sets standards for scarification procedures. The EHEC unanimously voted in favor of the proposed amendments and submitted R392-701 to Governance with a positive recommendation.
1 <sup>st</sup> : Heather Borski		2 <sup>nd</sup> : David Litvack
Motion was approved unanimously.		
R392-304	Artificial Swimming Lagoons	These amendments update source water quality standards. The changes include removing nitrite and free cyanide source water standards, revising the nitrate standard from 10 mg/L to 50 mg/L (as nitrogen), adjusting the limits for certain non-toxic metals (barium, chromium, copper, fluoride), and establishing Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) standards. EHP asked APPLETREE and the state toxicologist for technical support guidance document on nitrate levels that suggests a higher standard for nitrates (than 10mg/L) would be safe. EHEC unanimously voted in favor of the proposed amendments and submitted R392-304 to Governance with a positive recommendation.
1 <sup>st</sup> : David Litvack		2 <sup>nd</sup> : Heather Borski
Motion was approved unanimously with return to Governance with clarification on change.		

## Other Agenda Items:

Other Agenda Topic	Discussion Includes	Notes

Disease Plans:

Plan	Topic
Adding hepatitis D as a surveillance condition in Epi-Trax:	A motion was made to recommend approving hepatitis D as a surveillance-only condition in Epi-Trax. Cases will be automatically closed; local health departments will have no responsibility for action regarding these cases. In addition, the hepatitis team will work with Informatics to propose Epi-Trax changes for different hepatitises. (Moted by Brian; seconded by Leisha. Unanimously passed.)
Outbreak response plan for STIs	A motion was made to recommend approval for the STI outbreak response plan as drafted. We recommend appending the plan to the existing relevant disease plans. (Moted by Kirk; seconded by Brian. Unanimously passed.)
Outbreak response plan for varicella in schools and childcare settings	A motion was made to recommend approval for the varicella school and childcare outbreak response plan as drafted. We recommend appending the plan to the existing varicella disease plan. (Moted by Kirk; seconded by Brian. Unanimously passed.)

Exempt Grants (These grants have been submitted to the Governance website, within the past two weeks, as exempt. We would like the Governance committee to confirm this designation before moving forward)

Grant Name	Application Due	Description
Improving Adolescent Health and Well-Being Through School-Based Surveillance and the What Works in Schools Program - Supplemental funding	4/30/2026	Schools are an ideal setting to foster healthy behaviors and to prevent and buffer the impact of adverse experiences. This supplemental funding aims to improve the health and well-being of youth collecting and using school-based surveillance data.
1 <sup>st</sup> : Heather Borski    2 <sup>nd</sup> : Kirk Bengé Motion was approved unanimously.		

Next Governance Meeting:

May 4th, 2026