
Executive Director Report

October 15, 2020

Organizational Updates

- **Sunflower: Local Boards of Health Webinars**
 - Sunflower Foundation contacted me in early September about needs and we discussed the idea of education efforts targeting local boards of health (county commissioners)
 - Sunflower asked for a project proposal to do a series of webinars that relate to-be-determined public health topics to COVID-19 and to target commissioners to educate them
 - I've got the proposal in to Sunflower Foundation already and their board is expected to review it in early October
 - If approved I anticipate an aggressive timeline (work starting in 2020)
 - Project plans to involve KAC, KHI, CEI, and KU
- **Frontiers**
 - I was asked to see about KALHD participating with Frontiers, which KUMC administers (multi-year grant)
 - They want a better focus on population health versus what they've achieved in prior grant periods
 - Did a kick-off meeting on October 6th
 - Did a prior discussion with the project manager as well. There seems to be a few areas of population health concern that this could help address to the benefit of LHDs
 - Frontiers is trying to get a new multi-year grant. Very large (over \$25 million). So if renewed there may be some funding available to LHDs to make progress on the goals of the overall grant
- **2021 KALHD Governing Board**
 - I've put out a call for interested parties to nominate for roles on the upcoming KALHD board (election to be held during the November annual meeting)
 - A few individuals have already expressed interest but most openings remain without a volunteer
 - Deadline for nominations is October 18, 2020
 - The KALHD Governance Committee will work to find individuals to serve after this date

Project Updates

- **PHEP**
 - A webinar presentation, targeting county commissioners, is scheduled for October 28, 2020 (1:00-2:00 pm)
 - Focus will be tying PHEP to COVID-19
 - I've submitted for reimbursement of expenses for Q1 of SFY 2021
- **KALHD ELC Contract**

- KALHD is awaiting final contract language regarding COVID work supported via ELC. All indications are the contract will be approved; we're just waiting on language.
 - This will run through most of 2022.
- **COVID Supplemental Contract**
 - I've submitted for reimbursement of expenses for Q1 of SFY 2021

Legislative Updates

- Legislative platform draft to present to the membership was voted on earlier in this meeting

Important Dates to Remember

- November 17, 2020: KALHD **Annual** Meeting (virtual, 10:00 am Central start)

--Dennis Kriesel, KALHD Executive Director