



## NOTES

### ***Advocacy Committee Meeting***

*The goal of the Advocacy Committee is to raise awareness about the value of Community Health Workers in Kansas.*

Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 • Time: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

- ❖ **Members present:** Guadalupe Tredway, Broderick Crawford, Olivia Borland, Lucia Jones, Diana Lady, and Alissa Rankin
- ❖ **Check-in on self-care**
- ❖ **New business**
  - COVID-19 Support
    - 311 calls in Wyandotte County
      - Social needs & medical needs
      - Assisting with gaining trust with people who need help
      - This was created out of people calling scheduling line with other questions.
    - Wyandotte County COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force
      - KDHE and WCHD have both reached out to engage CHWs as contact tracers
      - Create NACHW model for CHW contact tracers
      - How do we sustain CHWs as employees after COVID-19 funding goes away?
      - Addressing social and medical needs will never go away.
    - Important to capture CHW voices to share what is working to help individuals over the phone
      - What are lessons learned?
      - Over-the-phone work – how effective is it.
      - Review and learn from experiences
      - How do we capture these stories for future presentations?
  - United: Food Access Work
    - During COVID-19
      - Within 24 hours delivered food to members
      - Some received 2 weeks of food
      - Month supply of formula

- Explore Medicaid transportation to bring food to members' homes
- All KanCare members may need food delivered to their homes because of high-risk, homebound, etc.
  - COVID-19 has exposed issues
- Some states are partnering with Harvesters or other large food banks
  - Looking for collaboration to deliver to people in need
  - Harvester has been going to different locations with semis monthly (e.g., 1,300 people served in old Indian Springs location)
- Wyandotte Unified Government page: <https://alpha.wycokck.org/Coronavirus-COVID-19-Information>
  - Food needs requests – can be delivered
- Impact on communities of color
  - Many individuals cannot afford to isolate/quarantine
  - Latinx & African American Communities – opting to not get tested
    - Have CHWs to work through these dynamics
  - May also put people at risk of losing their jobs, eviction, etc.

❖ **Old business**

- Advocacy presentations
  - CHW Forum in KC Regional CHW Collaborative
    - Receiving presentations related to COVID (e.g., impact on immigrants, undocumented, etc.)

❖ **KDHE Updates**

- KDHE is looking for COVID-19 contact tracers. Please contact Lisa Horn at [lisa.horn@ks.gov](mailto:lisa.horn@ks.gov)

❖ **Next Steps**

- Capture COVID-19 success stories for future use in advocacy.

**Next Meetings**

Tuesday, July 14, 2020  
 Tuesday, August 11, 2020  
 Tuesday, September 8, 2020  
 Tuesday, October 13, 2020

Tuesday, November 10, 2020  
 Tuesday, December 8, 2020

## **Advocacy Committee Members**

Updated 04/14/2020

### Co-Chairs:

- Broderick Crawford, Executive Director, NBC Community Development Corporation & CHW Advocacy Committee Co-Chair of Kansas City Regional CHW Collaborative
- Guadalupe Tredway, CHW, Community Health Council of Wyandotte County

### Members:

- Kristy Anderson, Service Coordinator, Central Plains Healthcare Partnership – Project Access
- Debra Anthony, RN & Grant Coordinator, Crawford County Health Department
- Callie Dyer, Executive Director, LiveWell Finney County/Finney County Community Health Coalition
- Holly Frye, Arthritis Program Manager, KDHE
- Mariana Hildreth, Bilingual Community Relations Representative – Marketing, Amerigroup
- Lucia Jones, **INSERT JOB TITLE**, United Healthcare
- Lauren Lauridsen, Public Health Educator, Arthritis Program, KDHE
- Amy Gaier, Public Health Specialist, Local Public Health Programs, KDHE
- Todd Moore, Project Director, University of Kansas Medical Center (KUMC)
- Stephanie Moss, RN Consultant, Health Promotion Specialist, Hypertension Management Program, Community Health Council of Wyandotte County
- Irma Robbins, Early Detection Works Case Manager & Promotora de Salud Coordinator, Genesis Family Health
- Treva Smith, CHW, Swope Health
- Kasey Sorell, **INSERT NEW TITLE**, KDHE
- Matt Thibault, Project Director, Health ICT & Kansas Business Group on Health Care
- Eric Wiman, Executive Vice President, B.E. Education Group

### Support Staff:

- Kelly Nightengale, KDHE Bureau of Health Promotion
- Alissa Rankin, Project Manager, Center for Public Health Initiatives