



HEALTH PROMOTION COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING SUMMARY NOTES

What: Health Promotion Committee

When: March 11, 2020

Attending: Board staff: Michelle Davis, Melanie Hisaw, Hannah Fernald, and Kelie Kahler. Department of Health staff: Alexandra Montaña, Mike Ellsworth, and Tami Thompson

Participating by phone: Board members: Tom Pendergrass, Bob Lutz, and Steve Kutz. Department of Health staff: Sierra Rotakhina. Observers who identified themselves online: Bernadette Pajer, Kristin Baldwin, Nancy Stone, Audrey Phillips, Bob Runnells, and four (4) other unidentified callers.

Summary Notes:

- Michelle Davis announced the purpose of the meeting was to provide an update on the notifiable conditions rules work underway, and prepare the committee for the April hearing.
- Alexandra Montaña said the CR-102 has been filed, and the deadline for public comment is March 25, 2020. She stated that the rules hearing is scheduled for the April Board meeting and if the Board adopts the proposed rule at that meeting, it will become effective in July.
- Ms. Montaña briefly summarized the work to date and described changes to the proposed rule since the January briefing, which primarily focused on requests from the Department of Labor and Industries for changes related to occupational diseases and reporting of traumatic injury. She noted that reporting of COVID-19 is included in the proposed rule.
- Tom Pendergrass complemented the team on explaining the infectious agents' portion of the rule and asked about the inclusion of non-infectious agents. Ms. Montaña explained that a number of non-infectious conditions in this chapter of rules have separate specific grants of authority.

- Mr. Pendergrass inquired about health care providers and their role in reporting. Ms. Montaña reminded the committee that the chapter requires reporting from health care providers, health care facilities, and laboratories.
- Steve Kutz encouraged the team to make sure that there is supporting information regarding the purpose and history regarding the intent of the rule. He said that the tables are the most powerful part of the rules.
- Ms. Davis described some of the history of the notifiable conditions rule revision and reminded members that this revision is primarily focused on communicable disease with just a few exceptions. She said that the chapter does include non-infectious conditions that will be updated in a separate process at a later date.
- Ms. Davis asked for Board members to let staff know of any questions related to the rule or suggestions for presentation of materials in April.

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