Oral Health Program Long Beach – Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
March 1, 2021 (12 – 1:45 pm)
WebEx Meeting

Member	Y/N	Member	Y/N	Member	Y/N
Aceves, Susana – DHHS MCAH	N	Peggy Lelesi	Y	Smith, Andrea – Tobacco Education	N
Acosta, Jenny – Head Start	Y	Ly, Anthony – LBDHHS MCO	Y	Smith, Leslie - McCormick LA	Y
Boatwright, Christina – LBDHHS All Children Thrive	N	Nunez, Richard – Green Light LB	N	Smolen, Michael – Harbor Dental Society	Y
Campos, Dez – LBDHHS MCO	Y	Petrillo, Jean – Children's Dental Health Clinic	Y		
Carbajal, Lucy – LBUSD	N	Pham, Pauline – LBDHHS CPSP	Y	Tello, Eipryl – Tobacco Education	N
Cardenas, Veronica - LBDHHS Nursing	Y	Rangel, Carmen – Medi-Cal Dental	Y	Temple, Susan – LBUSD Health Educator	Y
Cortez, Santos – Harbor Dental Society	Y	Riano, Nancy - LBDHHS Nursing	Y	Thompson, Jason – LBDHHS Data Analyst	Y
Dement, Adriana – Delta Dental	Y	Sanchez, Maria - LBDHHS OHP	Y	Van Meeveren, Rose – LBUSD Nurse	N
Garcia, Lourdes – Tobacco Education Program	Y	Sawyer, Adriane – Access Dental Plan	Y		
Hartlaub, Alissa – LBDHHS CLPPP	Y	Stribling, Hanna – Healthy Active Long Beach	Y	**UCLA Oral Health Collaborative Consortium Guests** Valeria Salceda Elizabeth Brummel Cynthia Cervantes Justin Chen Lynn Chan Dr. Abrey Daniel Stella Kim Walter Lucio Selina Tellez Matthew Temple Konita Wilks	Y

	Discussion	Action items
Call to Order	Maria Sanchez called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.	
Approval of Minutes	The minutes from the December 7, 2021 meeting were received as presented; no corrections.	-
UCLA Oral Health Collaboration Consortium	Dr. Abrey Daniel and Valeria Salceda of the UCLA Oral Health Collaborative Consortium provided an update on their oral health program that covers all of L.A. County, including SPA 7 and 8 canvassing Long Beach and the South Bay. They shared their new multi-media oral health campaign "Love Your Babies Teeth." - OHCC shared their data findings that led to the campaign: tooth decay was more prevalent in lower socioeconomic areas (55% of kids had tooth decay compared to 27% in higher income areas), particularly among Hispanics and non-English speaking residents; and tooth decay is occurring even earlier than a baby's first birthday. - OHLB and OHCC have similar focus on prevention from a young age, targeting six months to five years old. - OHCC will also be targeting older children as their campaign progresses. - Both programs anticipate continued funding from Prop 56 funds - All can access and share information and resources in English and Spanish found at www.ChooseHealthLA.com/Teeth/	- Keep lines of communication open so we reinforce and bolster each other's efforts. - Include and share any information from their campaign that may appear in reports from our upcoming community evaluations. - Leverage resources to spread the message about CDA Cares when it returns.

Program Updates	All members offered an update on their respective programs under COVID-19 conditions.
	- ORAL HEALTH LB – Maria Sanchez – continues to work on OHLB on Mondays and Fridays.
	  ○ She offered to record a message regarding oral health to be included with the Kindergarten Festival but the LBUSD had already completed packaging their virtual presentations.
	  ○ She created a PPT with embedded video for LBUSD's K and first grade teachers to celebrate the ADA's National Children's Dental Health Month in February.
	  ○ Dental kits were distributed via The Mayor's Fund for Education diaper distribution.
	- TOBACCO EDUCATION PROGRAM (TEP) – Lourdes Garcia
	  ○ LB City Council voted to extend the ban on flavored vape products.
	- HEALTHY ACTIVE LB – Hanna Stribling
	  ○ Classes for adults and youths continue virtually.	

	○ Dr. Amir Kazim, DDS has joined Healthy Active Long Beach as a Champion of the Community to help however needed. Dr. Cortez mentioned that Dr. Kazim is a member of the Harbor Dental Society and as an active member in the advocacy committee he will help bring issues of interest to OHLB. - HEAD START – Jenny Acosta ○ Head Start has been working with several LBDHHS departments for parent education on tobacco, nutrition, and lead poisoning prevention. About 10-12 parents participate in each class. ○ Jenny wants to create more short presentations to share with the Head Start families. - MEDI-CAL DENTAL – Adriana Dement ○ They continue to enroll more providers in the program. ○ Smile, California has added some literature resources for special needs clients. ○ Partner Toolkits are also available through the website: https://smilecalifornia.org/partners-and-providers/#toolkit - ACCESS DENTAL PLAN – Adriane Sawyer – They are offering virtual presentations and resources.	
Looking Forward … **LBUSD returns to campus 3/29/21.** **What can we do?**	Susan Temple gave an update on LBUSD and possible opportunities for OH education. - We may be able to re-instate the inventive for Kindergarten teachers to collect the state dental assessment form. - Maria's PPT and video were shared with teachers through a professional development link as an optional activity. Unfortunately, no one has used it yet. ○ Maybe pairing with dental kit distribution would encourage the teachers to utilize in the classroom or virtually. ○ Susan shared the link to it so the Advisory Committee can view it. ○ Could be shared through PTA meetings to reach the teachers. Jenny Acosta mentioned that her son's kindergarten teacher spent one week on an oral health unit. We can ask that teacher and others what they have already created to use and share it with more teachers. As for school site visits to conduct oral health assessments, LBUSD is not allowing visitors and Jean Patrillo shared that Dr. Blake (LBCDHC) is also not comfortable sending hygienists out in the community at this time.	- Maria and Susan to talk to Lucy Carbajal regarding the kindergarten teacher incentive program. - Education committee to convene and discuss ideas to tap into teachers OH curriculum. Consider a panel of teachers who can share and brainstorm; offer a target gift card for their help.

Dental Professional Update	Dr. Cortez reported that the Harbor Dental Society has been meeting virtually and having productive meetings. The Advocacy Committee is reviewing bills to support or oppose. One key message point we must prioritize is establishing a dental home for kids with regular dental visits. Rampant Dental Decay is on the rise as children munch on snacks while spending their days in front of a screen. Increased number of exposures to food increases the incidence of tooth decay. Jenny Acosta shared that more Head Start parents have shared that the kids are going to the dentist complaining of pain. CDA Cares is indefinitely postponed. First location consideration is Long Beach when it is safe to resume planning.	
Next Steps	As part of the evaluation plan, we were supposed to survey our targeted populations at the end of 2021. Leslie Suggested we might want to do this as conditions might have actually worsened and we would want to know that new starting point. Survey collection was mostly coordinated in person and that could be problematic if community health does not improve. The group discussed it and decided to survey providers at the end of the year. They can assess the incidents of tooth decay. We will take a wait-and-see approach to evaluating pregnant women, people experiencing homelessness, children (families), and older adults in the first or second quarter of 2022. Leslie and Maria reviewed the annual workplan and made updates. They will review again to incorporate anything discussed today.	- Review provider survey with Evaluation Committee toward the end of 2021. - Revise Evaluation calendar for other evaluations. - Maria to share revised workplan with the Advisory Committee members.
Closing	Adjourned at 1:45 pm Next meeting will be May 3, 2021.	