

Elko County Health Board
Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Section Report
Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease

January 9, 2019

New Staff

No new staff or staff changes to report.

Section News

- Internal meeting with Dr. Bryce Putnam, Health Officer. We set up contact information at the County level that would allow residents and officials to contact a live person at any time during business hours. During non-business hours that line would forward to Dr. Putnam's cell phone. The county also set up a county based email that allowed his receipt and response to email be more efficient. This included ordering cards in his behalf and publishing the information to the website, which hasn't been done due to a webhost transition.
- Dr. Putnam's new contact information has been distributed to the known state and local public health officials and stakeholders.
- Nevada Health Centers has a contract with Elko County to offer services to Medicaid, Medicare, underinsured, uninsured and other at risk populations. This contract also supports community immunization services. Nevada Health Center Elko County Reports July – September 2018:
 - 535 immunizations
 - 4,715 Primary Care Appointments
 - 241 Family Planning Appointments
 - 6,316 Total scheduled and kept appoints (not a count of canceled, rescheduled or no-show)
- Elko County Emergency Management, NV Division of Public and Behavioral Health, and the Local Emergency Planning Committee have been working together to update the Elko County Emergency Operations Plan, including a section for public health responses. In addition, they are building out the specific emergency support functions which will go to the Health Board for review and approval in the next quarter.
- PHITeam (Public Health Initiatives Team), has been meeting twice a month since July to develop logic models using the MAPP process to create a Community Health Improvement Plan. Logic models have been developed around 8 strategic issues based on findings from the Community Needs Health Assessment. A community workshop was held on November 15 to review the logic models and to give the community and identified stakeholders an opportunity to provide additional feedback. In addition, the team has been successful in finding lead and partner organizations to take on parts of the logic model work to ensure we continue to move forward in our public/community health efforts. A draft of the Community Health Improvement Plan has been completed. Elko County Health Board has completed the self-assessment process and working on a continuous improvement tool with the help of a consultant.
- Internal subcommittee for the Elko County Health Board met to better define internal processes for information sharing and reporting for transparency and compliance. Working with LEPC and County Emergency Manager regarding local protocols to address health emergencies. This is still in progress from prior quarter.