

Additional Meeting

Materials

BOARD OF HEALTH

October 17, 2024

From: [Carpine-Cazzanti, Joy](#)
To: [Hay, Melani](#)
Cc: [Mosqueda, Teresa](#); [Brown, Kamilah](#)
Subject: FW: Request to designate members of the King County Board of Health
Date: Wednesday, October 16, 2024 4:47:52 PM
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Dear Melani, could you share the below email with the Board as an additional meeting material? The below email was received after we completed the meeting packet. I'm happy to answer any questions.

Thank you,
Joy

From: Vicki Lowe <vicki.lowe@aihc-wa.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2024 6:23 AM
To: Carpine-Cazzanti, Joy <jcarpine@kingcounty.gov>
Subject: Fw: Request to designate members of the King County Board of Health

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Good morning Joy,

I am closing the loop on the request to Snoqualmie. I never got a response from them except for an exchange with their Health Director who was interested but said it was up to the council. Seattle Indian Health Board has submitted their request and should be seated in the Tribal representative position.

Thank you,
Vicki

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Vicki Lowe

Executive Director

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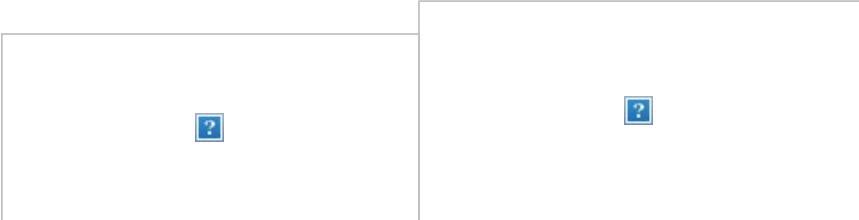
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****I have a new email- please add it to your addresses: vicki.lowe@aihc-wa.com**



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From: Mosqueda, Teresa <Teresa.Mosqueda@kingcounty.gov>
Sent: Monday, July 1, 2024 3:25 PM
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Cc: vicki.lowe.aihc@outlook.com <vicki.lowe.aihc@outlook.com>; Esther Lucero <estherl@sihb.org>; Abigail Echo-Hawk <abigaille@uihi.org>; Khan, Faisal <fakhan@kingcounty.gov>; KC BOH Admin <KCBOHAdmin@kingcounty.gov>; Wayne Harvey <wayneh@sihb.org>; Brown, Kamilah <Kamilah.Brown@kingcounty.gov>
Subject: Request to designate members of the King County Board of Health

Dear Chair Kutz,

You may recall that the King County Board of Health expanded its membership beginning in 2023 in accordance with Washington State law. The Board kindly requests the AIHC designate one tribal representative and one alternate to serve on the Board for a three-year term beginning in 2025. Please find attached a letter with additional information.

We sincerely appreciate Boardmember Esther Lucero and Alternate Abigail Echo-Hawk serving on the Board. We welcome their ongoing participation should they, local tribes and the AIHC wish for them to continue in 2025 through 2027.

We appreciate your time and effort in designating a member and alternate to the King County Board of Health. Please reach out if you have any questions, either to me or Board Administrator Joy Carpine-Cazzanti at (206) 263-0365 or KCBOHAdmin@kingcounty.gov.

Sincerely,

Teresa Mosqueda

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King County

King County Board of Health Director's Report

Date: October 17, 2024

Prepared by: Dr. Faisal Khan, Director, Public Health – Seattle & King County

Stay current on Public Health trends and news:

I invite King County Board of Health Members and Alternates to stay updated on important local health trends through Public Health – Seattle & King County's online dashboards:

Respiratory illness activity (COVID, flu, RSV):

<https://kingcounty.gov/en/dept/dph/health-safety/disease-illness/facts-and-data/respiratory-virus-data>

Overdose data dashboards:

<https://kingcounty.gov/en/dept/dph/health-safety/safety-injury-prevention/overdose-prevention-response/data-dashboards/>

Climate Impacts on Health:

[Climate Impacts on Health - King County, Washington](#)

The Public Health Insider blog features news and insights:

[PUBLIC HEALTH INSIDER – Official insights from Public Health - Seattle & King County staff](#)

Proposed on-site sewage (septic) system code revision update to come before the Board in November

The On-site Sewage System (OSS) Program in Environmental Health Services has been gathering input since May 2025 from community members and other partners impacted by OSS codes. The primary goals expressed in these conversations were to reduce costs associated with OSS permitting and failure replacements, remove barriers to independent property management, and align codes with specific public health risks. The Program has drafted proposed code revisions that aim to address these goals. The draft proposed changes were made publicly available on September 18. The OSS Program has hosted six public comment meetings across King County, and public comments can be submitted via email, phone, mail, and survey through October 21. The Program will review all public comments and include an explanation of how they were addressed in the November Board of Health meeting packet, which you will receive on November 14.

Learn more about the OSS code revision public process: www.kingcounty.gov/oss/code

King County's 100 Days of Action on Gun Violence Prevention

This week concludes King County's 100 Days of Action, but the work is far from over. Throughout the 100 Days of Action, the Public Health – Seattle & King County Regional Office

of Gun Violence Prevention (ROGVP) has catalyzed ongoing action that focuses attention, raises awareness, amplifies solutions, galvanizes support and increases commitments toward shared strategies for long term change. As the 100 Days of Action concludes, the ROGVP team will work on a final 100 Days of Action Report which will outline outcome, and launch a collaborative 12-month strategic planning process to develop a 5-year strategic plan to reduce gun violence in King County.

Day in the Life of a Violence Interrupter Comic

Gun violence prevention takes a community of people looking out for each other. Visit the Public Health Insider to read a comic strip that goes behind the scenes to see how a community member works to prevent violence in his King County neighborhood:

["I got you": the work of a Violence Interrupter – PUBLIC HEALTH INSIDER](#)

Community Engagement Survey

The Public Health – Seattle & King County Regional Office of Gun Violence Prevention is conducting a county-wide community survey to gather insights on violence involving firearms in King County communities. The survey [HERE](#) takes seven minutes or less to complete, and responses are anonymous. Please take the survey and share with your networks!

Survey findings will be used to guide the King County Regional Office of Gun Violence Prevention's efforts to improve community safety. For questions, please contact the King County Regional Office of Gun Violence Prevention at rqv@kingcounty.gov.

New StoryMap highlights COVID-19 Recovery Indoor Air Program

Public Health's Environmental Health Services (EHS) Division has published a new StoryMap highlighting the COVID-19 Recovery Indoor Air Program. From 2021 to 2024, we assisted over 3,000 facilities, carried out multilingual outreach, and distributed over 8,500 portable High-Efficiency Particulate Air (HEPA) air cleaners and over 4,500 box fan filter kits with MERV13 filters. This multipronged approach was invaluable in restoring health, comfort, and peace of mind to residents. The StoryMap outlines the program's lessons learned, outcomes, and recommendations, and includes an interactive map showing the number of sites served and number of portable HEPA air cleaners distributed by the team and partners.

Read the StoryMap: [King County COVID-19 Recovery Indoor Air Program \(arcgis.com\)](#)
View the interactive map: [Technical Assistance Sites & HEPA Air Cleaners \(arcgis.com\)](#)

Meat cutters license update

Part of Public Health's food safety responsibilities includes issuing meat cutter licenses. Anyone who cuts fresh beef, veal, lamb, and/or pork within a King County meat establishment is required to obtain an annual occupational Meat Cutter license, which requires applicants to study and pass a Meat Cutter exam.

The Meat Cutter exam checks for basic skills of meat cutting, handling, care, and knowledge of sanitation and code requirements, and Public Health provides study guides. In order to meet the needs of smaller shops, this summer Public Health began offering two types of exams, instead of just one. One exam is for those employed at a supermarket with 40 or more employees, and a second is for those at shops with fewer than 40 employees, which includes Halal Meat Markets and Kosher Meat Markets.

Public Health is reaching out to all meat markets to explain the new licensing procedure. Meat handlers will have until March 31, 2025 to schedule and obtain their meat cutters license.

Please visit kingcounty.gov/meat-cutter to learn more about the process and view study materials for the exams.

Pet business update

Public Health's [Pet Business Program](#) permits and inspects more than 500 pet businesses such as groomers, day cares and kennels to keep pets safe and prevent the spread of disease. You may recall that earlier this year some residents shared with the Board their concerns about pet businesses with suspended licenses. I'm pleased to report that Public Health has launched a [new webpage](#) and newsletter to inform people about pet businesses that have suspended permits.

Now, you can sign up to receive email alerts when Public Health suspends a business's Public Health permit. To raise awareness about these new resources, Public Health conducted outreach to media and concerned constituents and promoted the materials on social media.

We encourage you to visit kingcounty.gov/petbusiness to learn more.