

Board of Health

February 8, 2021

Present:

- Jill Domek-GMC
- Joe Leal- Medical Officer
- Stephen Schreiber- Glendive Schools
- Dennis Zander- Commissioner
- Amanda Brown- Mental Health
- Justin Cross- licensed establishment
- Jerry Jimison- City of Glendive
- Brett Irigoin- County Attorney



Staff present:

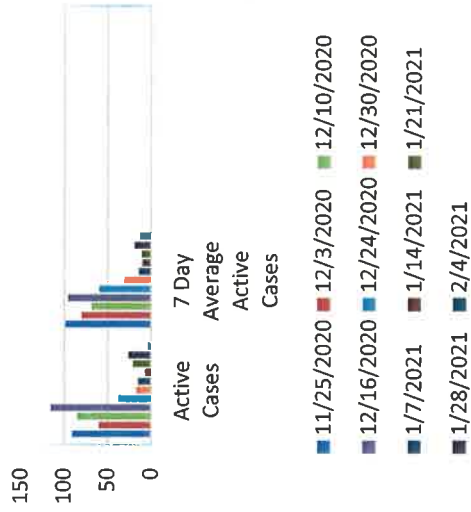
- Lauren Murphree
- Brant Gordon

Guests: Naome Wright, Hunter Herbaugh

Agenda item	Discussion	Follow-up
Review and approval of minutes	Amanda Brown made a motion to approve. Jerry Jimison seconded. All in favor.	
Old Business		
Appointment of County Health Officers	Amanda made a motion to approve officer slate Brett Irigoin seconded. All in favor.	
New Business:		
New Interim Health Department Director	Laureen Murphree	
Health Department Report		
Tobacco Prevention	Hired Val Meiers. She will start March 1, 2021	
PHEP		
DCHD 4 th Quarter Report	See attached	
Health Fair Blood Draws	Can schedule twice a year on Wednesdays for the same low price	
Legislative Report	HB 106: Prohibit expansion of the MT CIAA — Tabled HB121: Require elected official approval of local health board and officer actions — Referred to Committee	

	<p>HB144: Revise laws for preserving authority of sheriffs, constables and peace officers—Hearing—Judiciary</p> <p>HB145: Allow local boards of health and health officers to issue recommendations—Tabled</p> <p>HB236: Revise local health board & health officer powers, duties and penalties—Referred to committee</p> <p>HB269: Required elected official approval of sanitation related local health board rules—Hearing—Human Services</p> <p>HB316: Revise Governor’s emergency authority and provide appeal for county ph decisions—Referred to Committee—Business and Labor</p> <p>SB71: Remove penalties for law enforcement re: health officer assistance—Tabled.</p> <p>SB108: Authorize elected official approval of city/county health board rules—Referred to Committee—Business & Labor</p>	
<p>Sanitarian Report</p>		
<p>From last Friday’s report</p>	<p>The number of active COVID-19 cases in Dawson County currently stands at 4 compared to a 7-day average of 13. Our active case rate per capita is 49 compared to 327 for Montana as a whole. Twenty-seven people have died to date from COVID in Dawson County.</p>	

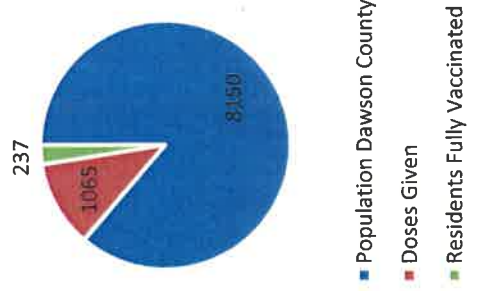
Active COVID-19 Cases in Dawson County



The weekly average of active COVID cases remains relatively low in Dawson County, and the case rate per capita for Dawson County is well below that for Montana as a whole.

Restaurants, hotels, bars and casinos are advised to continue to refer to and follow guidance by the Centers for Disease Control as specified in Considerations for Restaurant and Bar Operators at

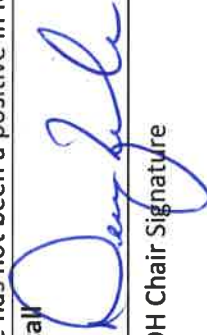
Dawson County COVID-19 Vaccinations ¹



	<p>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/business-employers/bars-restaurants.html. Event planners and coordinators planning group gatherings are not required at this time to submit COVID prevention plans to the Health Department for review and approval but should also continue to follow guidelines set forth by the CDC.</p>	
<p>Health Officer Report Joe wasn't able to be her</p>	<p>Jill gave a report for GMC. Cases are down. Vaccine clinics are going well and GMC/DCHD are working well together to get out the vaccine as quickly as possible. Got a freezer that is cold enough to hold the Pfizer vaccine and have reached out to the State to get more weekly doses.</p>	
<p>Other Business Vaccine</p>	<p>Jerry asked if there was a lack of vaccine and when will we be to Phase 1C. Naome explained that we are allotted a certain amount from the state for our county based on population. We may move into 1C in the next couple weeks.</p> <p>Jerry also asked if we were seeing any of the mutated virus in MT. Naome said that MT does not test for it. They send the tests to Colorado. So far there has not been a positive in MT that we know of.</p>	

Next meeting – March 8, 2021 @ 1:15 PM by conference call

Notes by: Laureen Murphree



BOH Chair Signature

4-19-2021

Date