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**STATE BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**  
Roman Nose State Park Lodge  
Watonga, Oklahoma

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August 16-18, 2013

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16 R. Murali Krishna, President of the Oklahoma State Board of Health, called the 382<sup>nd</sup> special meeting of the  
17 Oklahoma State Board of Health to order on Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013, at 7:01 p.m. The final agenda was  
18 posted at 10:57 a.m. on the OSDH website on August 15, 2013; at 10:55 a.m. on the OSDH building entrance  
19 on August 15, 2013; and at 1:00 p.m. on the Roman Nose State Park Lodge Building entrance on August 15,  
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ROLL CALL

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Members in Attendance: R. Murali Krishna, M.D., President; Ronald Woodson, M.D., Vice-President;  
34 Martha A. Burger, M.B.A, Secretary-Treasurer; Jenny Alexopoulos, D.O.; Terry R. Gerard, D.O.; Charles W.  
35 Grim, D.D.S.; Timothy E. Starkey, M.B.A.; Robert S. Stewart, M.D.; Cris Hart-Wolfe.

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Staff present were: Terry Cline, Commissioner; Julie Cox-Kain, Chief Operating Officer; Henry F. Hartsell,  
44 Deputy Commissioner, Protective Health Services; Toni Frioux, Deputy Commissioner, Prevention and  
45 Preparedness Services; Mark Newman, Office of State and Federal Policy; Don Maisch, Office of General  
46 Counsel; VaLauna Grissom, Secretary to the State Board of Health; Commissioner's Office: Diane Hanley,  
47 Janice Hiner.

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Visitors in attendance: See list

Call to Order and Opening Remarks

Dr. Krishna called the meeting to order. He thanked all distinguished guests and staff for their  
attendance. He acknowledged special guests Senator Patrick Anderson; Senator Ron Justice;  
Representative Harold Wright; Tracey Strader, the Executive Director of the Tobacco Settlement  
Endowment Trust; and Dr. George Foster, Vice-Chair of the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust.

Dr. Krishna introduced Dr. Arnold Bacigalupo as the retreat facilitator and founder & President of Voyageur  
One. He briefly described the partnership between the Board and Dr. Bacigalupo explaining that Dr.  
Bacigalupo has been involved in the OSDH strategic planning process since 2008.

Dr. Bacigalupo thanked Dr. Krishna for the welcome. He briefly recounted the objectives of previous  
Board retreats since 2008 and then proceeded to discuss the 2013 retreat objectives:

*To orient OSDH and TSET Board members to each organization, their integrated strategic priorities and  
programs to improve wellness; Review of Strategic Planning Framework: Mission, Vision, Values; and  
Develop Recommendations for Legislative Priorities.*

Dr. Krishna extended a special thanks to Department staff and Dr. Cline for their continued quality  
improvement efforts and thanked Board members for their commitment to public health.

ADJOURNMENT

**Ms. Wolfe moved to adjourn. Second Dr. Alexopoulos. Motion carried.**

**AYE: Alexopoulos, Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson**  
The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

1 Saturday, August 17, 2013

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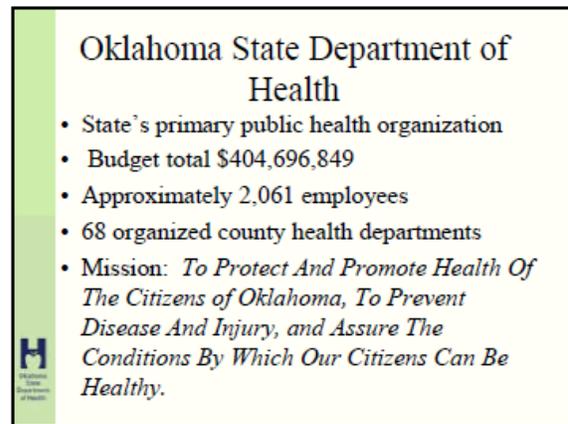
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17 Call to Order and Opening Remarks

18 Dr. Krishna called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. and welcomed those in attendance. He acknowledged  
19 special guests Gary Cox, Director of the Oklahoma City-County Health Department; Gary Raskob, Dean of  
20 the OU College of Public Health and member of the Oklahoma City-County Board of Health; Pam Rask of  
21 the Tulsa Health Department; and Brent Wilborn of the Oklahoma Primary Care Association.

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23 WELLNESS INTEGRATED STRATEGIC PLAN

24 Julie Cox-Kain, M.P.A., Chief Operating Officer; Tracey Strader, M.S.W., Executive Director, Tobacco  
25 Settlement Endowment Trust; Keith Reed, outgoing Director for the Center for the Advancement of  
26 Wellness.



Improve Targeted Health Outcomes

CHIP	Mandates/ Imperatives	PH Priority Programs	Reduce Health Inequities (Include of):
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tobacco Use</li> <li>• Obesity</li> <li>• Children’s Health</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All Hazards Preparedness</li> <li>• Infectious Disease Control</li> <li>• Regulatory Functions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motor Vehicle Crashes</li> <li>• Immunization</li> <li>• Preventable Hospitalizations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health Disparities</li> <li>• Unequal Access to Health</li> <li>• Social Determinants</li> </ul>

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**Oklahoma Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust**  
TRACEY STRADER, MSW, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

### About TSET

- Created by a constitutional amendment approved by voters 69% to 31% in 2000.
- 75% of Master Tobacco Settlement Agreement payments are invested through an endowment, and **only the earnings** are spent for programs to improve health.
- Governed by a seven-member, bipartisan, Board of Directors to fund and oversee programs. A separate five-member Board of Investors manages the endowment funds.

TSET - BETTER LIVES THROUGH BETTER HEALTH

### About TSET

- Our mission:** To improve the health and quality of life of all Oklahomans by addressing the hazards of tobacco use and other health issues.
- Our strategic plan** focuses on addressing the leading causes of preventable death – cancer and cardiovascular disease – by targeting tobacco use and physical activity and nutrition.
- What we fund:**
  - Prevention
  - Research
  - Emerging Opportunities
- Guided by evidence** of effectiveness and evaluation

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### Determinants of Health and Their Contribution to Premature Death

Determinant	Contribution (%)
Genetic Predisposition	40%
Behavioral Patterns	30%
Health Care	10%
Environmental Exposure	5%
Social Circumstances	15%

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### TSET – OSDH Partnership

- Shared goals in tobacco control and obesity
- Strategies defined together, playing on the strengths of each organization
- Strategies based on state plans and available evidence, and tailored to Oklahoma culture.
- TSET focus on **grant making** - what is funded, who is funded, and how the grants are funded. Monitoring measures of progress and assuring technical assistance, consultation, and training are available to support grantees.
- OSDH focus on providing expert resources and consultation to entire state. Specific focus on providing the technical assistance, consultation, and training for TSET-funded grants in illness.

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### PROGRAMS FUNDED - TOBACCO CONTROL

#### Communities of Excellence in Tobacco Control

34 grantees - 51 counties - 1 tribal nation - 85% of state's population

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PROGRAMS FUNDED - EVALUATION

- University of Oklahoma
  - College of Public Health – Dr. Laura Beebe
- Oklahoma State University
  - Department of Nutritional Sciences – Dr. Deanna Hildebrand

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PROGRAMS FUNDED - RESEARCH CENTERS

**Research Centers**

- Peggy and Charles Stephenson Cancer Center
  - TSET Cancer Research Program
  - Oklahoma Tobacco Research Center
- Oklahoma Center for Adult Stem Cell Research

Providing research and treatment in cancer and tobacco-related diseases

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PROGRAMS FUNDED - UNSOLICITED PROPOSALS

**Unsolicited Proposals**

- Oklahoma Afterschool Network
- OSU Dining Services
- Rescue Social Change Group
- Physician Manpower Training Commission

Addressing any of TSET's Constitutional purposes.

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**Creation of the Center for the Advancement of Wellness**

- Board of Health Retreat August 2011
- Consolidate obesity programs within the agency
- Leverage knowledge and infrastructure built in tobacco to accelerate obesity efforts
- Utilize evidence-base, strategic and business planning processes to target achievements in Tobacco use and obesity prevention & reduction



**Center for the Advancement of Wellness**

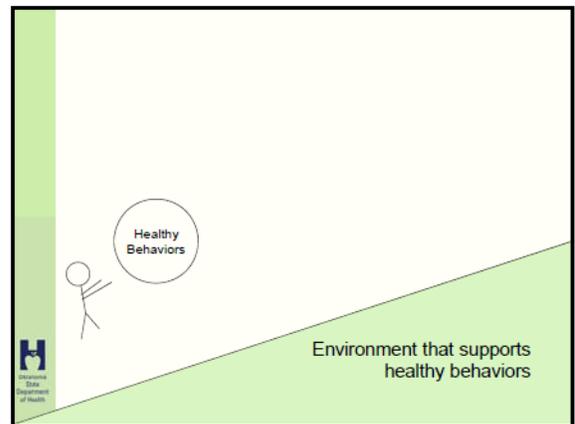
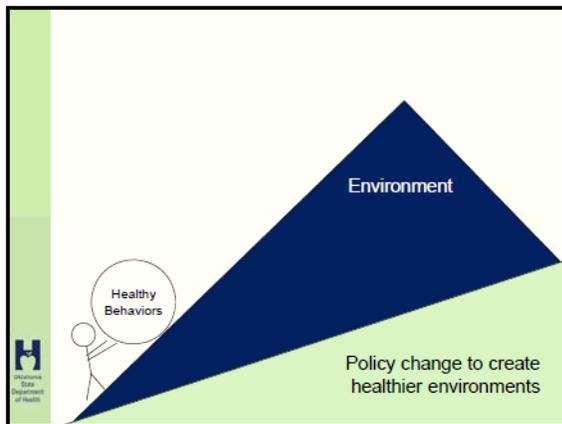
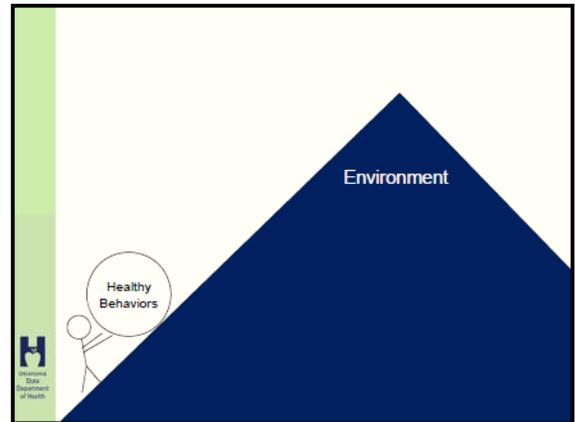
- **Purpose:** Reduce/prevent tobacco use and obesity
- **Distinctive Competence:** Provide data, best practices, expert consultation
- **Method:** Impact policy, environment, social norms
- **Key goals by 2017:**
  - Reduce smoking prevalence from 26.1% to 23.1% of adults and from 17.9% to 15.8% of adolescents.
  - Reduce obesity prevalence from 31.1% to 29.6% of adults and from 16.7% to 15.9% of adolescents.



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### Oklahoma Adults – 2011 BRFSS

- 26.1% Smoke
- 31.1% Obese
- 34.4% Overweight
- 55.2% Not getting minimal Physical Activity
- 84.5% Not consuming minimum of 5 fruits and vegetables/day

### ASTHO Multistate Collaborative

- ASTHO/United Health Foundation effort to improve health rankings of low ranking states
- Kansas, Georgia, Rhode Island, Arkansas, Oklahoma
- Center partnering with ODMHSAS and Tourism/Recreation on worksite wellness projects
- HealthLead assessment for baseline data to guide improvement areas
- Goal is to create scalable model for worksite wellness in state agencies to impact both employees and agency's target population



### Governor's Get Fit Challenge

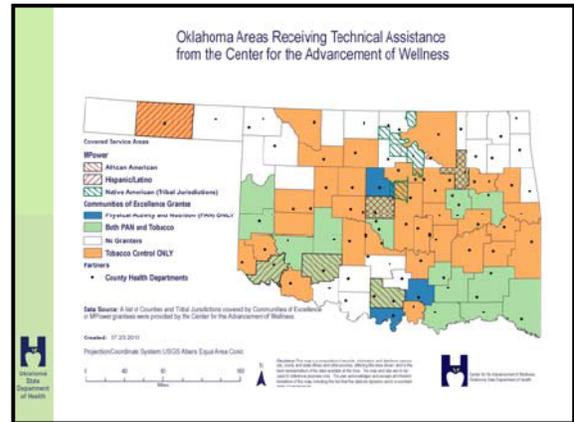
- Program for before, during or after school designed to get kids moving more and eating better
- Grades 4 through 8
- Pending IRB approval, will evaluate selected schools in the fall
- Includes DVD of warm up and core exercises plus 20 minutes of cardiovascular activity 3 days per week
- Also includes nutrition and physical activity worksheets
- Through the program, help shape healthier school environments for kids



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### Partnership with TSET

- One of multiple funding sources for Center
- Partners in tobacco, physical activity, and nutrition initiatives
- TSET Communities of Excellence (CX) grants in tobacco and physical activity/nutrition
- Center provides expert consultation to CX grantees, as well as schools, businesses, communities and others around the state

### Strategic Priorities

Smokefree environments

- Sector-based education about voluntary smokefree/tobacco free policies
  - ✓ Entertainment industry – bars, casinos, restaurants with smoking rooms
  - ✓ Career technical centers
  - ✓ Focus on importance of clean indoor air and voluntary policies to promote health



### Strategic Priorities

Registry of smokefree places

- Allows for monitoring/tracking smokefree policies around the state for goal-setting and reporting purposes
- Possible searchable public site to help connect citizens with smokefree places, including housing, bars, entertainment, etc



### Strategic Priorities

Cessation

- Cessation through systems change
  - ✓ Assess state agencies and populations served
  - ✓ Work with health care systems, insurance, county health departments, other agencies
- Cessations communications
  - ✓ Mass media campaign (with TSET)
  - ✓ Materials for providers, insurance companies, and others



### Strategic Priorities

Youth engagement

- Tobacco and Physical Activity/Nutrition focus for youth advocacy
- Survey youth, look at available research
- Explore partnerships for training, support

School-based strategies

- Access to fruits and vegetables
- Wellness policies
- 24/7 tobacco free



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### Strategic Priorities

State agency collaboration

- Worksite wellness – ASTHO collaborative project with Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and Department of Tourism and Recreation
- Looking at additional partnerships with state agencies to embed education and policy change for target populations



### Challenges, Successes & Opportunities

**Challenges**

- Existing state law
- Future state-level policy
- Emerging technologies and limited research

**Successes**

- Governor’s Executive Order
- Certified Healthy Incentive Grants
- 2012 BRFSS numbers

**Opportunities**

- Enhanced and expanded partnerships
- Sector-based approach
- Social Media



### Lessons Learned Center/TSET Partnership

- Leverage strength of each organization to improve mutual goals
- The partnership is an investment, not a collaboration
- Each partner is accountable to the other for performing their area of distinctive competence
- Without this unique partnership we wont be successful in Oklahoma



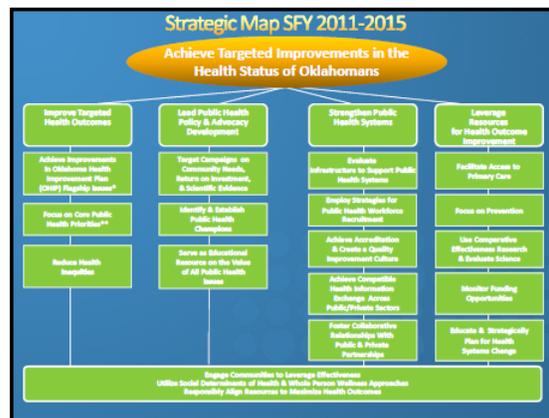
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 2 The presentation included a media advertisement about multiunit housing units as an example of media  
 3 campaigns that have resulted from the collaboration between the OSDH and TSET. See Attachments 1-3.  
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 7 STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW

8 Terry L. Cline, Ph.D., Commissioner of Health

**SFY 2011-2015  
 OSDH Strategic Map Update**

Board of Health  
 Annual Retreat  
 SFY 2013 Update

### Oklahoma Health Improvement Plan (OHIP) Flagship Issues

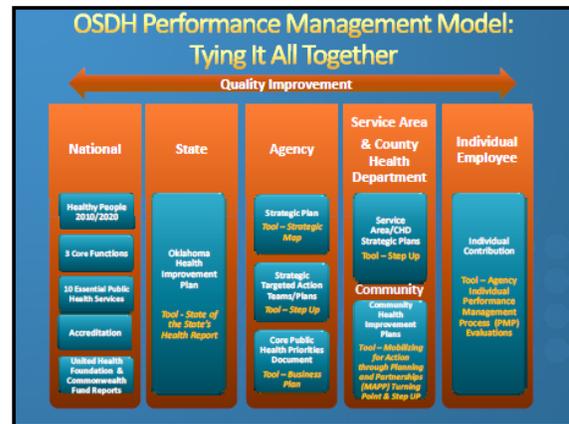
- Tobacco Use Prevention
- Children's Health Improvement
- Obesity Reduction

### Core Public Health Priorities

- Children's Health
  - Infant Mortality
  - Prenatal Care
- Disease & Injury Prevention
  - Immunization
  - Motor Vehicle Crashes
  - Preventable Hospitalizations
- Imperatives
  - All Hazards Preparedness
  - Infectious Disease
  - Mandates
- Strong & Healthy Oklahoma (Wellness)
  - Cardiovascular Health
  - Obesity
  - Tobacco

### LSTAT Strategic Planning Priority Area Lead Champions

- OHIP Flagship & Core Public Health Services**
  - Strong & Healthy Oklahoma /Wellness (Keith Reed)
  - Children's Health (Dr. Edd Rhoades)
  - Disease & Injury Prevention/Imperatives (Toni Frioux/Dr. Kristy Bradley & Hank Hartsell)
  - Health Inequities (Neil Hann)
  - Policy & Advocacy (Dr. Mark Newman)
- Public Health Systems & Accreditation** (Joyce Marshall)
  - Workforce (Toni Frioux)
  - Health Information Exchange (HIE) (Julie Cox-Kain)
  - Public/Private Partnerships (Neil Hann)
  - Resources (Julie Cox-Kain)



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### Core Performance Measures Scorecard Public Health Imperatives

Measure	Actual Previous Year	Target Current Year	Actual Current Year	5 Year Target Goal
Inspection - % state mandated non-complaint activities meet PMs	92.3%	90%	86%	100%
Inspection - % state mandated complaint activities meet mandates	23.1%	80%	87%	100%
Infectious Disease - % immediately notifiable reports received by phone consultation/investigation initiated in 15 minutes	98%	95%	99%	95%
Infectious Disease - % immediately notifiable reports submitted in PHIDDO/investigation initiated in 15 minutes	92%	95%	97%	95%
Infectious Disease - Average # reported TB, pertussis, shigellosis, and cryptosporidiosis cases per 100,000 population	14.07	14.1	23.32	13.4
Preparedness - % of CHDs exercising COOP annually	100%	100%	100%	100%

### Core Performance Measures Scorecard Public Health Priority Programs

Measure	Actual Previous Year	Target Current Year	Actual Current Year	5 Year Target Goal
Children - # infant deaths per 1000 live births	7.6	7.6	7.6 (provisional)	7.2
Children - % first trimester prenatal care	67.2%	77%	60.6%	78%
Injury - # motor vehicle injuries in infants less than one year of age	121	113	107	97
Prevention - # preventable hospitalizations per 1000 Medicare enrollees	81.8	84.8	81.0	82
Immunization - % immunized (19-35 months)	70.3%	72.5%	77.3%	76.5%
Obesity - % adults who are obese	31.1%	31.1%	32.2%	30.2%
Tobacco - % adults who smoke	26.1%	25.6%	23.3%	24.1%
Cardiovascular - cardiovascular deaths/100,000	292.8	272.6	303.9	236.9

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**Core Performance Measures Scorecard  
Infrastructure & Policy**

Measure	Actual Previous Year	Target Current Year	Actual Current Year	5 Year Target Goal
Accreditation - # of PHAB accredited OSDH Health Departments in OK	0	2	2	7
PH Partnerships - # certified healthy communities	43	25	31	75
PH Partnerships - # certified healthy schools	155	11	214	71
Workforce - % of plans completed to address job classification and compensation	50%	100%	97%	100%
Performance Mgt - # nationally recognized quality/performance improvement processes and tools	10	10	17	10
Health Information Exchange - % IPHS Stage 1 strategic planning completed	0%	100%	100%	100%
Infrastructure - % of PHAB state health dept governance and operations standards fully met	N/A	90%	100%	100%
Policy - # community organizations supporting OHP legislation	10	11	11	14

**Achievements**

- OSDH and CCHD among **first in nation** to be accredited health departments in February 2013! OSDH and CCHD were further recognized by the Public Health Accreditation Board in **39 "areas of excellence."**
- The OSDH largely to fully demonstrated **99% (104/105)** of all state PHAB measures and the CCHD largely to fully demonstrated **91% ( 88 /97)** of local PHAB measures.
- The **Governor's Executive Order for tobacco-free properties** took effect August 6<sup>th</sup> impacting almost **37,000** state employees and **countless** visitors to state properties.
- 28.4% increase** from 64% to 82.2% in proper child restraint use among infants less than 1 year of age

**Achievements**

- Over 100% increase** in certified healthy schools from 155 last year to **314** this year!
- Decrease by more than 1/3** from 48,393 to 32,421 child abuse and neglect reports in Oklahoma.
- Every Week Counts** campaign results are phenomenal with over **90%** of birthing hospitals voluntarily participating in the campaign. Results: Between 2011 and 2013, there was an **81%** decrease in early, elective scheduled births! Additionally, there is a **9%** increase in total births 39-41 weeks and a **14%** decrease in births at 36-38 weeks.

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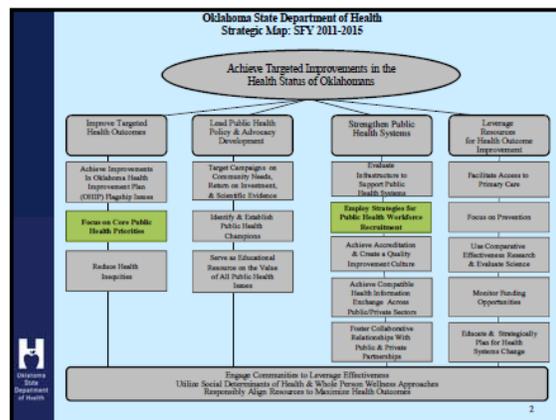
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4 FOCUS ON CORE PRIORITIES & STRENGTHEN SYSTEMS  
5 Henry F. Hartsel, Ph.D., Deputy Commissioner, Protective Health Services  
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**Strategic Map Update**  
**Focusing on Core Priorities and Strengthening Systems**

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State Board of Health Annual Retreat  
August 17, 2013

Henry F. Hartsel Jr., Ph.D.  
Deputy Commissioner  
Protective Health Services



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### Objectives for Inspection Frequency Mandates

Meet 100% of required time intervals and response deadlines by FY2014 for:

1. State mandated routine inspections
2. State mandated complaint inspections
3. Contract (federal) mandated routine surveys
4. Contract (federal) complaint investigations

(Fifty-two mandates were covered by the four objectives in FY2013.)

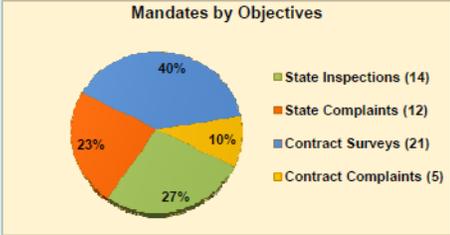


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### Inspection Frequency Mandates by Performance Objectives 2012 - 2013

Percentage of 52 Total Mandates Covered by the Objectives

#### Mandates by Objectives



Source: OSDH StepUp Performance Management System.

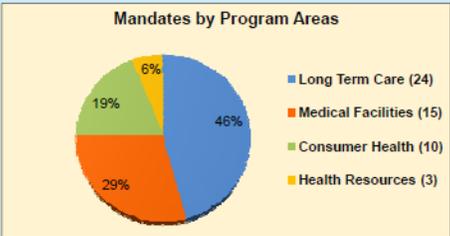


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### Inspection Frequency Mandates by Program Areas 2012-2013

Percentage of 52 Mandates Administered by Program Areas

#### Mandates by Program Areas



Source: OSDH StepUp Performance Management System.



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### Highlights for State Fiscal Year 2013

- All long term care inspections and investigations current on 6/30/2013
- Home health agency recertification surveys current on 9/30/2012
- Food service establishment, jail, and nurse aide training inspections timely performed for second straight year
- 48 of 52 (92%) mandates brought into compliance as of 6/30/2013

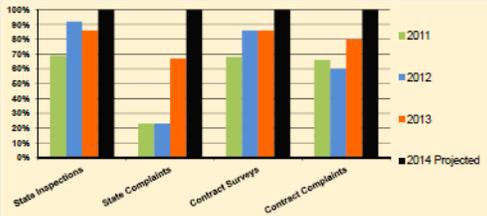


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### Compliance with Inspection Frequency Mandates Fiscal Years 2011-2014

Percentage of inspections, complaint investigations and surveys conducted by OSDH in accordance with mandated time frames.



Source: OSDH StepUp Performance Management System. \*Contract Complaints\* are based on the previous federal fiscal year.



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### Compliance with Inspection Frequency Mandates Fiscal Years 2011-2014

Percent of Inspection Frequency Mandates in Compliance




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### Surveyor Recruitment 2012-2013

#### CLINICAL HEALTH FACILITY SURVEYOR

The Oklahoma State Department of Health is seeking to fill positions around Oklahoma to conduct inspections in nursing facilities, hospital, surgery centers, home care agencies, dialysis centers, and other health care settings. Extensive 2-3 day overnight travel required. Extensive training provided.

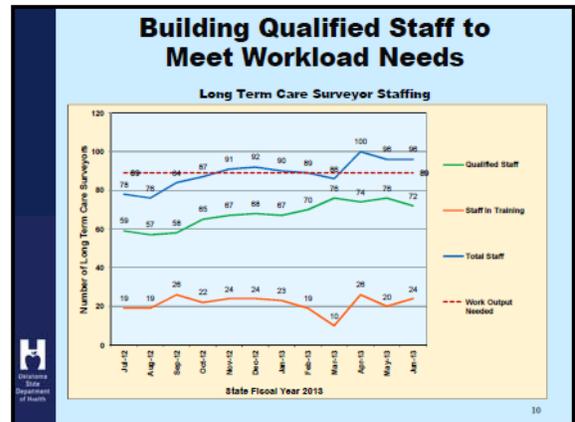
*Send a resume and letter of interest for the clinical health facility surveyor position to:*  
 E-Mail: [hr@www.health.ok.gov](mailto:hr@www.health.ok.gov)  
 Fax: [405.271.4006](tel:405.271.4006)  
 Mail: Office of Human Resources, Oklahoma State Department of Health, 500 N.W. 10th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73117

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Registered nurses, licensed medical workers, registered medical technologists, and medical practitioners may qualify, depending on experience.

Full job descriptions and qualifications are available at: <http://careers.health.ok.gov/>

Salary up to \$20K per year + benefits.

OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



### Performance Measures for FY2014

- Maintain successes on objectives from FY2012, FY2013
- Achieve compliance by 09/30/2013:
  - Medium priority (45-day) complaints in accredited hospitals
  - 5 year survey interval for non-accredited hospitals
  - Clinical laboratory inspections
  - Clinical laboratory complaints

### Action Plan Components for Objectives and Performance Measures

- Recruit/retain qualified surveyors & sanitarians
- Continue workload-based staffing
- Develop surge capacity
  - Targeted overtime
  - Contract out-of-state surveyors
  - Retired/former surveyors & sanitarians
- Conduct ongoing QA/PI

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### Questions or Comments?

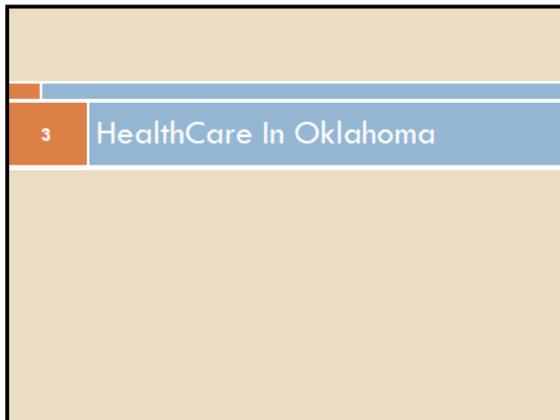
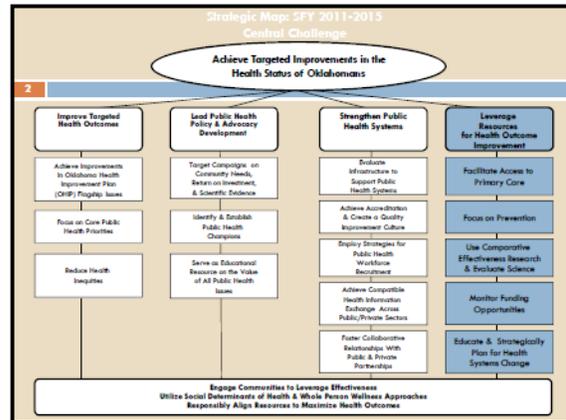
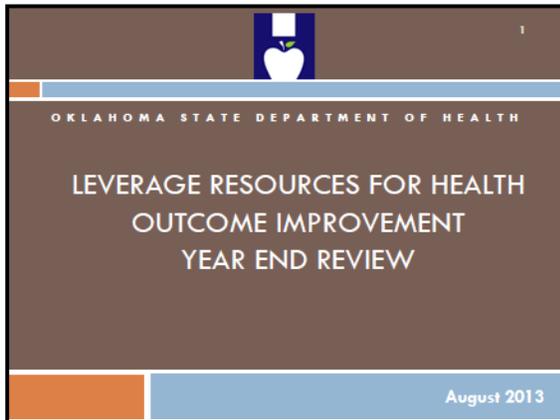
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The presentation concluded.

LEVERAGE RESOURCES FOR HEALTH OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT YEAR END REVIEW

1 Julie Cox-Kain, M.P.A., Chief Operating Officer

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- ### Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act
- Enacted March 23, 2010
  - Establishes the Health Insurance Marketplace to help individuals and small business obtain health insurance coverage (including stand-alone dental)
  - Provides premium tax credits and cost-sharing reductions for low and middle-income individuals who purchase health insurance through a Marketplace
  - Provides a tax credit to eligible small businesses
  - Originally required an expansion of Medicaid to cover additional adults and children with low incomes
  - Simplifies the eligibility rules for Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

- ### Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act
- Requires most individuals to purchase health insurance or pay a tax penalty
  - Guaranteed issue (no pre-existing condition exclusion)
  - American Indian/Alaskan Native (AI/AN) special provisions
  - Children's coverage extended to age 26
  - No co-pay for A & B rated clinical preventive services
  - Medical Loss Ratio limitations – caps on administrative and overhead costs of insurance companies (80% - 85% must be spent on healthcare)
  - Created the Prevention and Public Health Fund

- ### Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act
- In June 2012, Supreme Court upheld insurance mandate requiring Americans to obtain insurance or pay a tax penalty.
  - The ruling struck down the penalty requiring state Medicaid expansion, thereby allowing each state to decide.
  - Oklahoma elected against Medicaid expansion and defaulted as a Federally Facilitated Marketplace (FFM).
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- Source: Status of State Action on the Medicaid Expansion Decision, as of July 1, 2013, Kaiser Family Foundation

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### Types of Health Insurance Exchanges

- State-Based Marketplace**
  - States can create and operate their own marketplace
- Partnership Marketplace**
  - Hybrid in which the state runs certain functions. A Partnership Exchange allows states to make key decisions and tailor the marketplace to local needs and market conditions
- Federally-Facilitated Marketplace (FFM)**
  - The Federal government will establish and operate a marketplace in those states that do not establish their own



Source: "Establishing Health Insurance Marketplaces: An Overview of State Efforts", Kaiser Family Foundation, 2013

### Health Insurance Exchange (Marketplace)

- New commercial insurance Marketplaces where qualified employers and individuals can shop for private health insurance plans.
- Consumers will have access to health plans and insurance affordability programs, if eligible.
- Health plans must be certified to be offered in a Marketplace, and must meet certain minimum standards.

**Enrollment starts October 1, 2013  
Coverage starts as soon as January 1, 2014**

Category	Percentage of expenses paid by health plan	Percentage of expenses paid by individual
Platinum	90%	10%
Gold	80%	20%
Silver	70%	30%
Bronze	60%	40%

↑ Higher percentage of expenses covered by the plan  
↓ Lower monthly premium payment

Actuarial Value of Plans Offered in the Exchanges	
"Bronze"	This plan represents the required minimum credible coverage standard; the actuarial value is 60%
"Silver"	Actuarial value of 70%
"Gold"	Actuarial value of 80%
"Platinum"	Actuarial value of 90%
"Catastrophic"	Provides catastrophic coverage along with some preventive and primary care benefits (only available in the individual market) to young adults under age 30 and those to whom the individual mandate does not apply due to income reasons

Source: "Health Insurance Marketplace: Agents and Brokers Meeting" presentation, CMS 2013

### Individual/Family Tax Credits

Income Level	Premium as a Percent of Income
Up to 133% FPL	2% of income
133-150% FPL	3 - 4% of income
150-200% FPL	4 - 6.3% of income
200-250% FPL	6.3 - 8.05% of income
250-300% FPL	8.05 - 9.5% of income
300-400% FPL	9.5% of income

- Beginning in January 2014, new tax credits will be available that will significantly reduce the cost of private health insurance for individuals and families.
- Provides refundable premium credits advanced to eligible individuals and families with incomes between 100-400% FPL to purchase insurance through the Exchanges.
- Requires verification of both income and citizenship status in determining eligibility for the federal premium credits.

Source: Summary of Affordable Care Act, Kaiser Family Foundation, 2013

### Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP)

- Starting in 2014, a SHOP will be available in each State.
- Starting October 1, plans will be available for review and enrollment for coverage starting as soon as January 1, 2014. Rolling monthly enrollments for employers after January 1.
- Once a group is enrolled, its rate is guaranteed for 12 months.

**Available to those employers:**

- With fewer than 25 full time equivalent employees
- Whose employees' wages average less than \$50,000 per year
- Who contribute at least 50% of employees' premium costs
- Who buy health insurance through the SHOP only, starting in 2014

**It's worth:**

- Up to 35% of employer's premium contribution (up to 25% for tax-exempt employers) now
- Up to 50% of employer's premium contribution (up to 35% for tax-exempt employers) starting in 2014

### Individual Penalties

Do any of the following apply?  
 - part of a religious opposed to acceptance of benefits from a health insurance policy  
 - between jobs and without insurance for up to three months  
 - undocumented immigrant  
 - incarcerated  
 - member of an Indian tribe  
 - family income is below the threshold for filing a tax return (\$10,000 for an individual, \$20,000 for a family in 2013)  
 - pay more than 8% of your income for health insurance, after taking into account any employer contributions or tax credits.

YES → There is no penalty for being without health insurance.

NO → Were you insured for the whole year through a combination of any of the following sources?  
 - Medicare  
 - Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)  
 - TRICARE (for service members, retirees, and their families)  
 - Veteran's health program  
 - Plan offered by an employer  
 - Insurance bought on your own that is at least at the Bronze level  
 - Grandfathered health plan in existence before the health reform law was enacted

YES → The requirement to have health insurance is satisfied and no penalty is assessed.

NO →

Year	Penalty
2014	Penalty is \$95 per adult and \$47.50 per child (up to \$285 for a family) or 1.0% of family income, whichever is greater.
2015	Penalty is \$125 per adult and \$62.50 per child (up to \$375 for a family) or 2.0% of family income, whichever is greater.
2016 +	Penalty is \$695 per adult and \$347.50 per child (up to \$2,085 for a family) or 2.5% of family income, whichever is greater.

Source: "The Requirement to Buy Coverage Under the Affordable Care Act Beginning in 2014", Kaiser Family Foundation, 2013

### Employer Penalties DELAYED

Are you a large employer?  
 - At least 50 FTE workers including full time (30+ hours per week) and part time workers (seasoned)  
 - Excluding seasonal workers (up to 120 days per year)

YES → Are any of your full time employees in an exchange plan and receiving premium credit?

YES → Do you have more than 30 full time employees?

YES → Do you provide health insurance?

NO → NO PENALTY

NO → Pay monthly penalty, lesser of:  
 1/12 x \$2,000 x (# of full time employees - 30)  
 OR  
 1/12 x \$3,000 x (# of full time employees who receive credits for exchange coverage)  
 \*\*Delayed until 2015\*\*

NO → Pay monthly penalty: 1/12 x \$2,000 x (# of full time employees - 30)  
 \*\*Delayed until 2015\*\*

Source: Coverage or Penalty, US Chamber of Commerce

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### Essential Benefits

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- Essential Health Benefits (EHB) are a set of healthcare service categories that must be covered by certain plans, starting in 2014.
- Health plans offered in the individual and small group markets, both inside and outside of the Health Insurance Marketplace, must offer this comprehensive package of items and services; EHBs must include items and services within at least 10 categories.
- Insurance policies must cover these benefits in order to be certified and offered in the Health Insurance Marketplace, and all Medicaid State Plans must cover these services by 2014.

Source: "Health Insurance Marketplace: Agents and Brokers Meeting" presentation, CMS 2013

### Premium Rate Setting Factors

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Age	Smoking	Geography	Family Size
Plan premium rates can vary within a ratio of 3:1 for adults 21 and older. Rates also can vary for children under 21 based on actuarial justification. States can establish age curves or can default to the federal age curve. Age bands: 0-20, one-year bands between 21-63, 64 and older.	Premium rates can vary within 1.5:1 ratio. Can vary based on age. Small group plans may only impose a tobacco surcharge in connection with a wellness program allowing participating individuals to avoid the full amount of the surcharge. Tobacco use defined in terms of regular use and time of last use (i.e., average 4+ /week within the last 6 months).	States are permitted to establish rating areas. Based on Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs)/non-MSAs, 3-digit ZIP codes or counties, and established as of January 1, 2013, no more rating areas than the number of MSAs plus one in the state. If a state did not establish rating areas, the federal default is one rating area for each MSA and one rating for all non-MSA areas in the state.	The total premium for family coverage generally must be determined by summing the premiums for each individual family member. For family members under 21, total premium includes only the portion of the premium attributable to applicable covered family member. Tobacco and age rating must apply only to the portion of the premium attributable to applicable covered family member.

Adverse Selection Mitigation Strategies: Risk adjustment, Reinsurance & Risk Corridors

Source: "Health Insurance Marketplace: Agents and Brokers Meeting" presentation, CMS 2013

### Online Enrollment Portal Healthcare.gov

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Open Enrollment October 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014

Enroll online or by phone Healthcare.gov 1-800-318-2596

Expected to include links to issuer and agent websites

### Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Timeline (CMS)

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Anticipation - Get Consumers Ready

June: Launch Medicare.gov 2.0 and Comprehensive.gov; Consumer.gov.gov; Information and work with SHIP; Call Center opens for local consumer assistance in English and Spanish; Consumers begin to receive notices and get involved from Medicare.gov

July: Launch SHOP marketplace; Training for inception assistance personnel begins; Consumers can set up a personal health record on HealthCare.gov

August: Launch 54 states in groups for inception; Open Call Center for Small Businesses

September: Consumers can set up a personal health record on HealthCare.gov

October - March: Open enrollment Applications and Plan Comparison available Targeted sites

### Implementation Delays

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- The Employee Choice provision in FFM-SHOP markets have been officially delayed until 2015 – In 2014 plan year, SHOP enrollees can only choose one Qualified Health Plan (QHP) selected by the employer.
- Guidance and operational/technical details and processes regarding the various provisions have yet to be finalized, including a paper-based verification process for American Indian/Alaska Natives (AI/ANs).
- In June 2013, the Government Accountability Office cited approximately 44% of key activities CMS targeted for completion by March 31, 2013, were behind schedule.
- The federal data hub, expected to power the exchange, remains behind schedule, including final testing with federal and state partners (and data sources).
- Many activities remain incomplete in the core functional areas of eligibility and enrollment, plan management, and consumer assistance.
- Funding awards and development of a training curriculum for a key program that will provide outreach and enrollment assistance to small employers and employees have been delayed by approximately 2 months.

CMS's timelines for the remaining key activities provide a roadmap for completion; however, many activities yet to be completed suggest future challenges

CMS has expressed its confidence that exchanges will be open and functioning in every state by October 1, 2013

### PPACA Medicaid Changes

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- Use of the new Modified Gross Adjusted Income (MAGI) to calculate household composition and income to determine Medicaid eligibility
- Elimination of asset tests
- Implementation of passive renewals
- Automation of electronic verifications to determine Medicaid eligibility in real-time
- Streamlined eligibility and connection/hand-off with the Federally Facilitated Marketplace
- Former foster care children under age 26 will be eligible for Medicaid regardless of decisions about expansion, Federally Facilitated Marketplace or current Medicaid programs. According to OHCA rule impact statement, the cost for the second half of FY2014 to cover this group would be \$600k

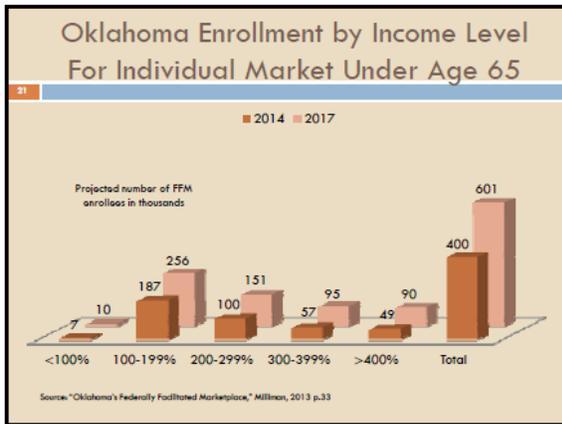
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19 Projected Insurance Enrollment

### Future Insurance Market Enrollment without Medicaid Expansion

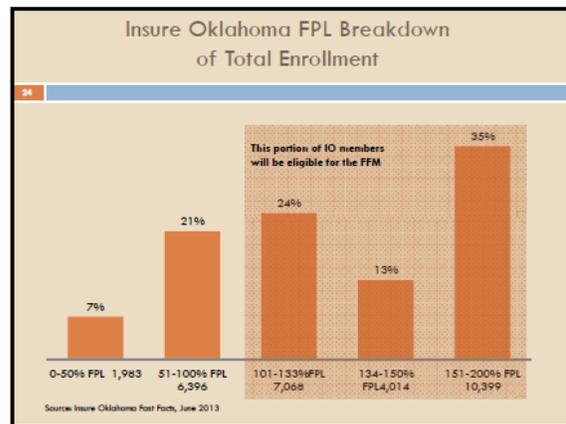
Based on 2013 Milliman "Best Estimate" Projections:

Market	2012	2014	2017
Individual	108,677	399,999	601,812
ESI Small Group	353,710	347,489	360,011
ESI Medium Group	181,468	187,651	203,126
ESI Large Group (Fully Insured)	365,467	362,769	376,741
ESI Large Group (Self Insured)	779,768	756,929	768,024
Medicaid/CHIP	524,877	592,935	641,814
Uninsured	644,843	425,088	268,084



22 Recommendations for Medicaid Waivers

- ### Leavitt Partner Recommendations
- Negotiate with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to extend Insure Oklahoma (IO) through 2014
    - An extension will provide an estimated would continue insurance for approximately 9,000 individuals between 0-100% FPL
    - Areas of negotiation may be limited due to state and federal statutes and/or rules
    - Based written correspondence cost-sharing provisions and enrollment caps seem to be areas of primary concern for CMS
    - Modification of caps and cost sharing provisions may increase Oklahoma's financial liability



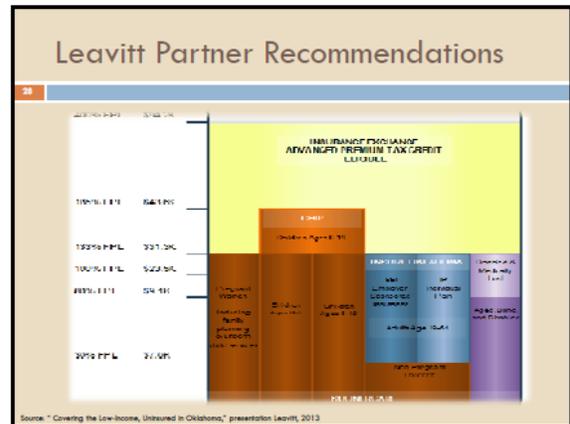
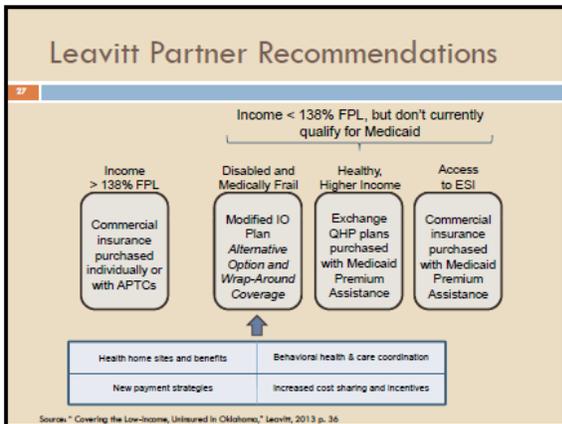
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### Leavitt Partner Recommendations

- Prepare an alternative to PPACA Medicaid expansion through a demonstration waiver:
  - Create a steering committee
  - Leverage Insure Oklahoma (IO) as framework
  - Maintain Employer Sponsored Insurance (ESI) components of IO
  - Support premium assistance of private insurance coverage
  - Integrate public health and behavior health initiatives and infrastructure
  - Streamline Medicaid eligibility
  - Work toward multi-payer models
  - Develop a strong evaluation component
  - Demonstrate cost-effectiveness
  - Leverage current program initiatives

### Leavitt Partner Recommendations

- Demonstration waiver (continued)
  - Projected outcomes
    - Reduce the number of uninsured individuals in Oklahoma
    - Opportunity for innovative approaches to improve health outcomes and slow the increase in healthcare costs
    - Reduce uncompensated care costs for healthcare providers and the State of Oklahoma
    - Protect Oklahoma employers with lower wage workers from shared responsibility payments (delayed until 2015)
    - Opportunity to realize program savings and increased tax revenue
  - Costs
    - State of Oklahoma appropriations to match the recommended demonstration proposal estimated at \$745 - \$939 million over 10 years



### Leavitt Partner Recommendations Costs and Savings

Estimates of Ten Year Financial Cost and Economic Impact of the Proposed Demonstration Program, 2023

Take-Up	New Enrollees	Total Cost (Federal and State)	Net Cost to State (Surplus)	Total Economic Impact
Low	204,911	\$10.5 Billion	(\$486 Million)	\$13.6 Billion
Medium	233,334	\$12.0 Billion	(\$465 Million)	\$15.6 Billion
High	257,493	\$13.3 Billion	(\$447 Million)	\$17.3 Billion

Source: Leavitt Partners, 2013

### Leavitt Partner Recommendations Costs and Savings

Estimates of Ten Year Net Surplus

Oklahoma's Total Match	OHCA Program Savings	Other State Agency Savings**	Total Increase in Tax Revenue	Net Surplus
\$745-\$939 million	\$211 million	\$482 million	\$538-\$693 million	\$447-\$486 million

\*\*Other state agency savings (DMHSAS, OSDH, and Corrections) estimated from a high-level review of cost savings and warrant additional analysis

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### Leavitt Partner Recommendations

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- Develop complementary proposals to reduce uncompensated care costs for Native Americans seeking healthcare services at tribal and IHS facilities:
  - Limited federal resources make it difficult for IHS, Tribal, and Urban Indian (I/T/U) healthcare facilities to meet demand; this burdens private contract healthcare providers with uncompensated care costs
  - Uncompensated care waivers provide an opportunity for the federal government to meet their obligation to provide healthcare to Native Americans in Oklahoma
  - Allows the State of Oklahoma to mitigate costs associated with uncompensated care and improve health outcomes through greater healthcare access
  - Federal share of healthcare costs for AI/AN is 100%
  - Uncompensated care waivers are not a substitute for comprehensive insurance coverage

### Leavitt Partner Recommendations

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- Provide full reimbursement for current Medicaid program eligibility (pregnant women, family planning, and breast and cervical cancer) to reduce the potential for an increase in uncompensated care for I/T/Us
- Identify specific issues significantly impacting healthcare in Oklahoma, define quality measures and metrics, and implement new payment strategies that focus on provider incentives and shares savings with the I/T/U

### The Uninsured and Uncompensated Care in Oklahoma

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### The Uninsured in Oklahoma

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**644, 843 or 17% of Oklahoma's population is uninsured**

Legend: Total Oklahoma Population (blue), Uninsured in Oklahoma (orange)

Source: Milliman's 2013 report, "Oklahoma Federally Facilitated Marketplace".

### Oklahoma Population Under Age 65 by Type of Insurance in Thousands

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Insurance Type	Population (Thousands)
Uninsured	645
Other Government Programs	262
Medicaid / CHIP	525
ESI - Large Group Self Insured	780
ESI - Large Group Fully Insured	365
ESI - Small Group	354
ESI - Medium Group	181
Individual Market	109

Source: "Oklahoma's Federally Facilitated Marketplace," Milliman, 2013 p.14

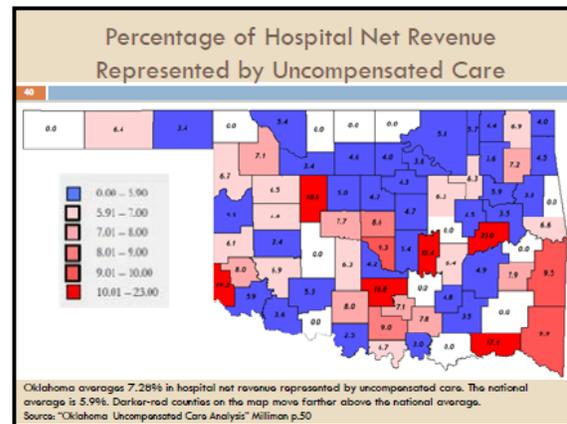
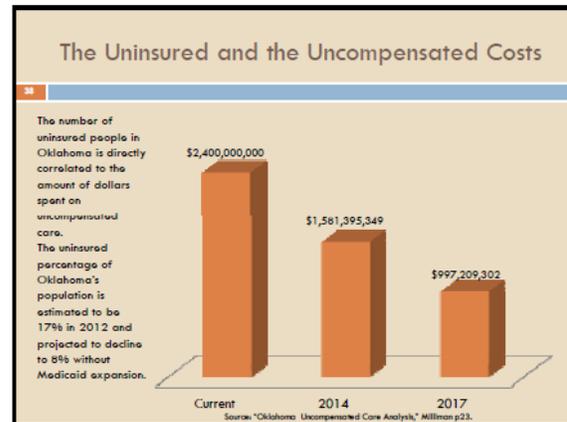
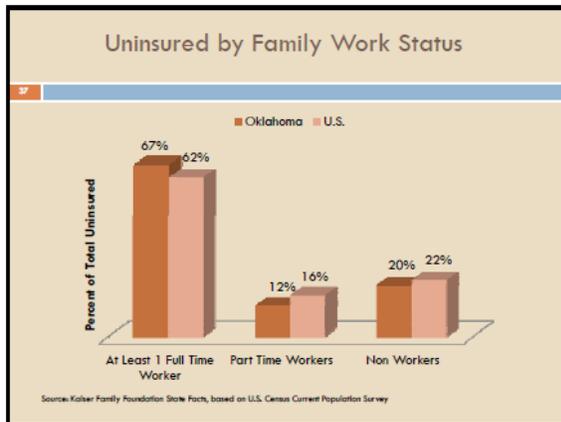
### Uninsured by Income Level, 2011

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Percent of Federal Poverty Level (FPL)	Oklahoma (%)	U.S. (%)
<100%	35%	38%
100-138%	12%	13%
139-250%	28%	25%
251-399%	14%	13%
>400%	11%	10%

Source: Kaiser Family Foundation State Facts

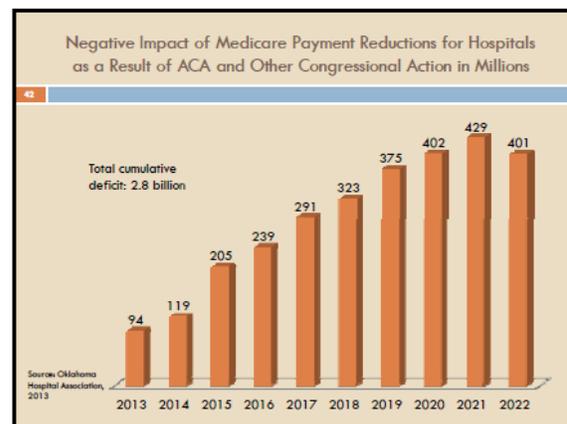
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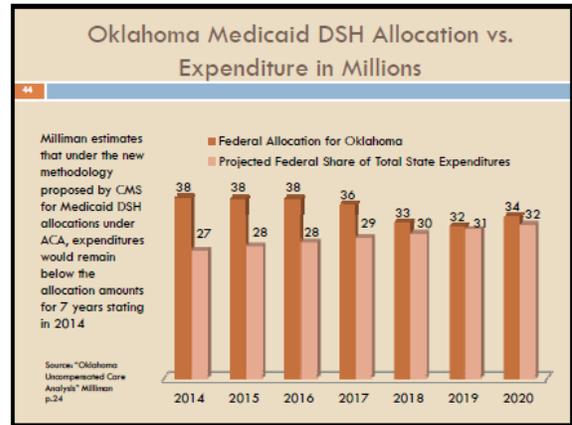
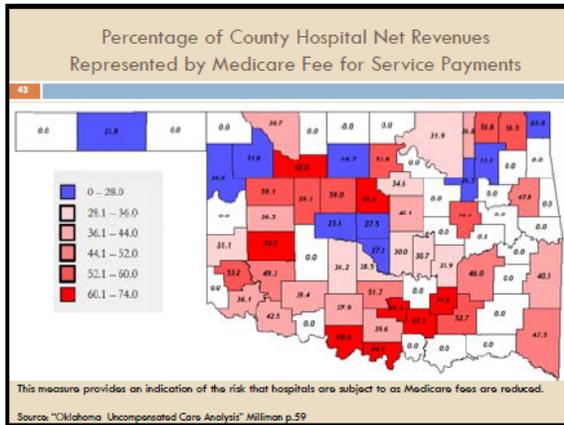
### Reductions in Uncompensated Care Payments to Hospitals & The Impacts of Sequestration

- Sequestration - 2% reduction in Medicare Fee for Services (FFS) payments
- Both Medicaid and Medicare Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) allocations will be reduced as PPACA is implemented
- Offsets will be realized by a reduction in the number of uninsured but the net effect over the long run is still unclear

Source: "Oklahoma Uncompensated Care Analysis," Millman pp. 20

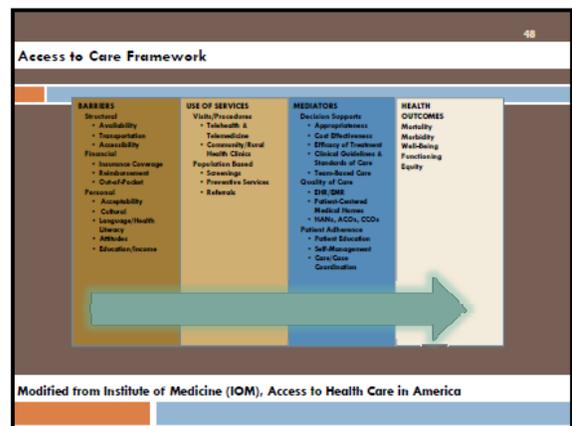
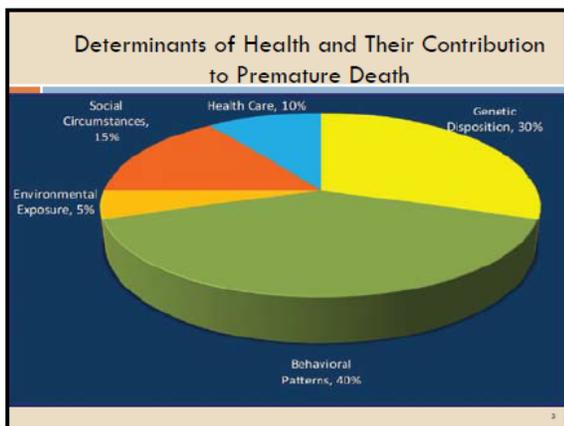


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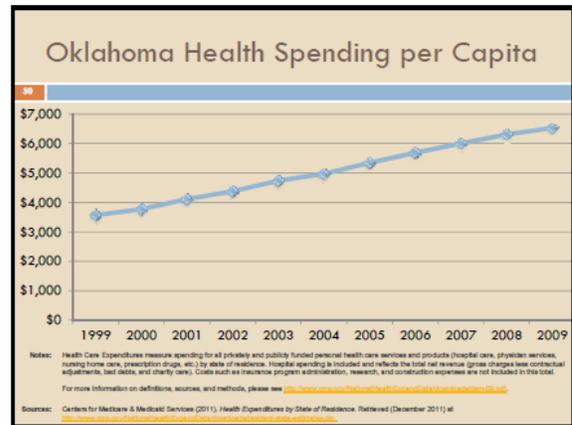
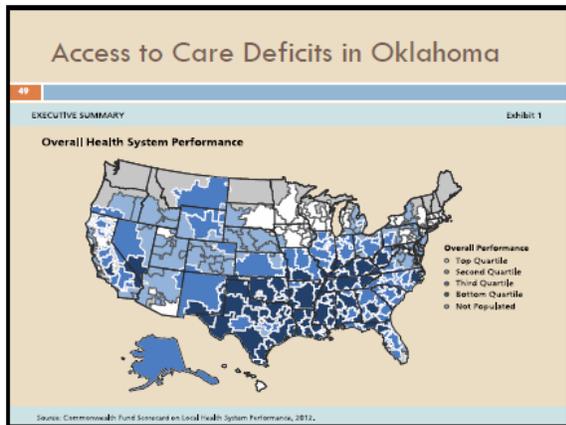


## 45 Challenges and Opportunities for Public Health

- ### Challenges for Public Health
- Integration of public health and healthcare
  - Maintenance and advancement of community level health protection & primary prevention
  - Reallocation of federal funds from public health to PPACA implementation
  - Diversification of revenue
  - Other barriers to access to care



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**Opportunities for Innovation**

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- CMS recently announced a second round of healthcare innovation grants
- Focus areas include models that improve the health of populations through activities focused on engaging beneficiaries, prevention, wellness, and comprehensive care that extends beyond the clinical service delivery setting
- OSDH is collaborating with multiple partners on a statewide innovation grant from CMS

**Questions?**

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Dr. Cline and the Board acknowledged Chris Bruehl, Director of Appointments for Governor Mary Fallin, for taking time from his schedule to thank the Board of Health for their efforts as he passed through the retreat facility.

Dr. Cline and the Board thanked Representative Jeff Hickman for the time he spent addressing the Board as well as advocacy efforts in public health. Representative Hickman thanked the Board for using their expertise in healthcare to improve public health and encouraged members to contact their local legislators and advocate for public health policy that will make a difference.

The presentation concluded.

MISSION, VISION, VALUES  
Arnold Baciagalupo, Ph.D.

Dr. Baciagalupo briefly described the importance of an organization’s Mission, Vision, and Values statements. He emphasized that intermittent review of these statements is critical to the continued alignment of an organization. He drew Board attention to the handout in the packet which outlined the process used by the Department for the review of the current Mission, Vision, and Values statements.

The recommended Mission Statement is as follows: *To protect and promote health, to prevent disease and injury, and to cultivate conditions by which Oklahomans can be healthy.*

Ms. Wolfe moved Board approval to adopt the Mission Statement as presented. Second Dr. Alexopulos. Motion carried.

AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson

There were no modifications to the current Vision Statement.

Mr. Starkey moved Board approval to table action on the values statements until August 18, 2013. Mr. Starkey moved Board approval to appoint an Ad Hoc Committee consisting of Ms. Burger, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Alexopulos for the purpose of modifying the proposed values Statements, based on Board comments, and presenting recommendations back to the Board on August 18, 2013. Second Ms. Wolfe. Motion carried.

AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson



### OSDH Vision Mission Value Process

#### Oklahoma State Board of Health

SFY 2014



#### PROCESS

**1. Getting Started**

- The Oklahoma State Board of Health (Board) determined the time was appropriate for review of the Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) Vision, Mission, and Values.
- This review process occurs periodically to ensure that these guiding documents are a reflection of the organization, set the vision for the future, and capture the mission of the state's primary public health agency.

**2. Process**

- The first step of this process was a review at the 2012 Board Retreat which concluded a change was warranted as the agency had evolved since the Vision, Mission, and Values were last reviewed.
- The second step of the process included a review by the Senior Leadership of the OSDH to develop alternatives based on the Board's input.
- The next step included a second review with subsequent recommendations by the Board and creation of an employee and core partner electronic survey.
- The final stage of the process will occur at the 2013 Board of Health Retreat where survey results will be reviewed and the Board will consider adoption of Vision, Mission, and Values.

#### MISSION

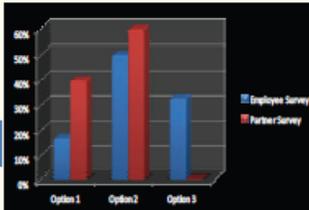
**4. Mission**

The Mission Statement answers the question "Why do we exist?" Employee and partner survey participants were given three options to choose from:

**1st Place—Option 2**  
To protect and promote health, to prevent disease and injury, and to promote conditions by which Oklahomans can be healthy.

**2nd Place—Option 1**  
To protect and promote health, to prevent disease and injury, and to assure the conditions by which Oklahomans can be healthy.

**3rd Place—Option 3**  
To protect and promote health, to prevent disease and injury, and to cultivate thriving communities through healthy sustainable partnerships.



- Option 2 was the clear winner from both survey results; however, there were a significant number of comments in which respondents preferred a

synonym of "promote" without using the exact word as it is used in the beginning of the phrase.

- The most common reason cited for not choosing Option 1 was the uncertainty that we could "assure" the conditions for Oklahomans to be healthy.
- Many respondents felt Option 3 was too wordy, unclear, and limiting.

#### VALUES

**5. Values**

The Values statements reflect guiding principles of the OSDH and its employees. The proposed Values statements for consideration are:

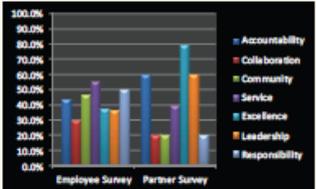
- Accountability**—to competently improve the public's health on the basis of sound scientific evidence and responsible research.
- Collaboration**—to work jointly and mutually with our partners to maximize the value and impact of public health.
- Community**—to respect the importance, value, diversity, and contribution of communities and develop positive collaborations to create an environment conducive to good health.
- Service**—to demonstrate a commitment to public health through compassionate actions and stewardship of time, resources, and talents.
- Excellence**—to consistently reflect high standards in our work, services, processes, and operations.
- Leadership**—to provide vision and purpose in public health through knowledge, inspiration and dedication. To be identified as the leading authority on prevention, preparedness and health policy.
- Responsibility**—to steadfastly fulfill our obligations, maintain public trust, and exemplify uncompromising ethical conduct both as an organization and as individuals.

#### VALUES SURVEY

The most diversity was in the Values survey. The employees chose statements in the following rank order: Service, Responsibility, Community, Accountability, Excellence, Leadership, and Collaboration.

The core partners chose statements in the following rank order: Excellence in clear first place, Accountability and Leadership tied for second, Service in third place, and the final three significantly behind and tied for last place being Collaboration, Community, and Responsibility.

Below are the results of the Values survey both from the OSDH employees and core partners:



#### SUMMARY

**6. Summary**

- Surveys were sent to all staff and 12 key partners. The response rate was satisfactory with 51% of employees responding and 41.67% of key partners responding.
- The process is in the conclusion stage as final survey results are presented to the Board for discussion and final action on the OSDH Vision, Mission, and Values.

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The presentation concluded.

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1 2013 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA BREAKOUT

2 Mark Newman, Ph.D., Director, Office of State and Federal Policy

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4 The Board discussed potential policy and legislative issues they would like to support during the upcoming  
5 legislative session.

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7 **Ms. Wolfe moved Board approval to explore and develop language to transfer hearing aid dealers and**  
8 **fitters to the Board of Examiners of Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists; Workplace Drug**  
9 **and Alcohol Testing Program to the Department of Labor; and Certified Workplans and HMO's to**  
10 **the State Department of Insurance. Second Ms. Burger. Motion carried.**

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12 **AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson**

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14 **Ms. Burger moved Board approval to explore and develop language prohibit the sale of ecigarettes to**  
15 **minors. Second Dr. Alexopulos. Motion carried.**

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17 **AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson**

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19 **Dr. Gerard moved Board approval to explore and develop language to propose a tax credit for the**  
20 **construction of tornado shelters or sales tax-free materials when constructing a tornado shelter.**  
21 **Second Ms. Wolfe. Motion carried.**

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23 **AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson**

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25 **Dr. Grim moved Board approval to explore and develop language to support smoking policy**  
26 **disclosure of multiunit housing. Second Dr. Stewart. Motion carried.**

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28 **AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson**

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30 ADJOURNMENT

31 Dr. Krishna advised the Board and Department staff that the proposed Executive Session on August 18, 2013  
32 would need to be moved to the first item on the agenda in order to allow Dr. Alexopulos to attend. A motion  
33 would be made the morning of August 18, 2013.

34 **Ms. Wolfe moved to adjourn. Second Dr. Stewart. Motion carried.**

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36 **AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson**

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38 The meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

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40 Sunday, August 18, 2013

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42 ROLL CALL

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44 Members in Attendance: R. Murali Krishna, M.D., President; Ronald Woodson, M.D., Vice-President;  
45 Martha A. Burger, M.B.A, Secretary-Treasurer; Jenny Alexopulos, D.O.; Terry R. Gerard, D.O.; Charles W.  
46 Grim, D.D.S.; Timothy E. Starkey, M.B.A.; Robert S. Stewart, M.D.; Cris Hart-Wolfe.

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48 Staff present were: Terry Cline, Commissioner; Julie Cox-Kain, Chief Operating Officer; Henry F. Hartsell,  
49 Deputy Commissioner, Protective Health Services; Toni Frioux, Deputy Commissioner, Prevention and  
50 Preparedness Services; Mark Newman, Office of State and Federal Policy; Don Maisch, Office of General  
51 Counsel; VaLauna Grissom, Secretary to the State Board of Health; Commissioner's Office: Diane Hanley,  
52 Janice Hiner.

1 Visitors in attendance: See list

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3 Call to Order and Opening Remarks

4 Dr. Krishna called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

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6 **Ms. Burger moved Board approval to move the Proposed Executive Session to the first item on the**  
7 **agenda. Second Ms. Wolfe. Motion carried.**

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9 **AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson**

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11 PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

12 **Dr. Grim moved Board approval to move into Executive Session at 8:32 a.m.** pursuant to 25 O.S.  
13 Section 307(B)(4) for confidential communications to discuss pending department litigation,  
14 investigation, claim, or action; pursuant to 25 O.S. Section 307(B)(1) to discuss the employment, hiring,  
15 appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of any individual salaried public officer or  
16 employee and pursuant to 25 O.S. Section 307 (B)(7) for discussing any matter where disclosure of  
17 information would violate confidentiality requirements of state or federal law.

- 18 • Conflict of Interest discussion

19 **Second Alexopulos. Motion carried.**

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21 **AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson**

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23 **Dr. Alexopulos moved Board approval to come out of Executive Session at 9:19 a.m. and open**  
24 **regular meeting. Second Dr. Gerard. Motion carried.**

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26 **AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson**

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28 No action taken as a result of Executive Session

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30 Dr. Baciagalupo thanked the Board and Department staff for their commitment and participation throughout  
31 the meeting. He asked the Board if their expectations of him were met. He also encouraged them to provide  
32 feedback as to his performance after they have had an opportunity to reflect on the outcomes of the retreat.

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34 COMMUNITY RELATIONS/INVOLVEMENT

35 Arnold Baciagalupo, Ph.D.

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37 Dr. Baciagalupo asked Board member to briefly provide an overview of local health issues from their  
38 respective communities. Each Board member discussed outreach opportunities as a result of the previous  
39 year President's Challenge in which Dr. Krishna challenged each Board member to develop an individual  
40 Board member action plan. Board members also highlighted opportunities for collaboration and  
41 partnerships within their communities as well as the barriers faced by some communities such as access to  
42 care, impacts of natural disasters, poverty, and increases in domestic violence.

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44 2014 BUDGET / BUSINESS PLAN

45 Julie Cox-Kain, M.P.A., Chief Operating Officer

**OKLAHOMA STATE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

**BUDGET AND BUSINESS PLAN OVERVIEW  
STATE FISCAL YEAR 2014**



*OSDH SFY 2013 -2014 Budget Summary Comparison*

Revenue Source	2013 Budget	2013 % of Budget	2014 Budget	2014 % of Budget
Federal	\$231,869,055	56.48%	\$222,622,449	55.01%
Revolving (Includes Local Millage)	\$117,055,977	28.50%	\$119,090,718	29.43%
State	\$ 61,783,682	15.04%	\$62,983,682	15.56%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$410,708,714</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$404,696,849</b>	<b>100%</b>

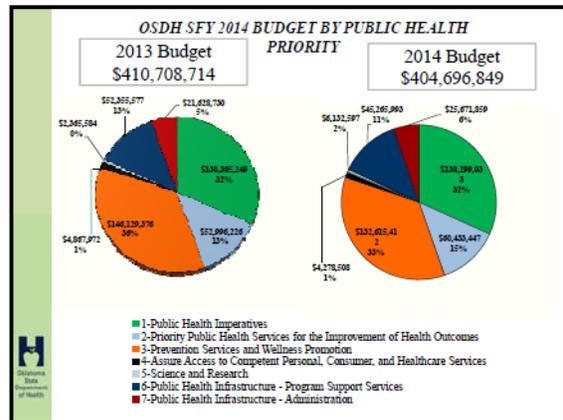
  

Expenditure Category	2013 Budget	2013 % of Budget	2014 Budget	2014 % of Budget
Personnel	\$148,827,862	36.24%	\$144,029,554	35.59%
Professional Services	\$55,172,567	13.43%	\$65,739,335	16.24%
Travel	\$5,334,795	1.30%	\$5,382,438	1.33%
Equipment	\$2,659,321	0.65%	\$1,761,527	0.44%
Local Government Subdivisions	\$16,435,559	4.00%	\$14,664,362	3.62%
Trauma Distribution	\$28,324,000	6.90%	\$28,001,600	6.92%
WIC Food Costs	\$66,748,068	16.25%	\$65,550,000	16.20%
Other Expenditures	\$87,206,542	21.23%	\$78,568,033	19.66%



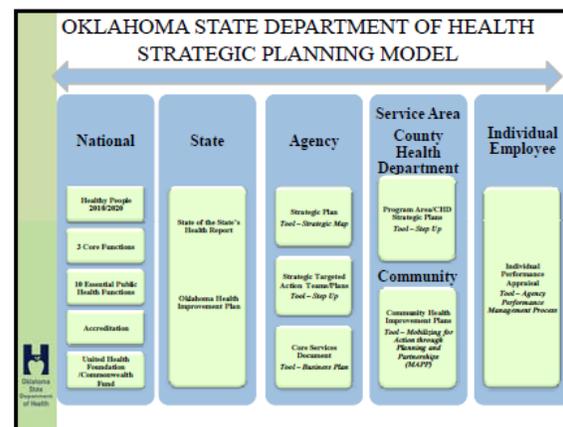
**2014 Funding Public Health Priority**

1 - Public Health Imperatives	\$130,299,033
2 - Priority Public Health Services for the Improvement of Health Outcomes	\$60,433,447
3 - Prevention Services and Wellness Promotion	\$132,615,412
4 - Assure Access to Competent Personal, Consumer, and Healthcare Services	\$4,278,508
5 - Science and Research	\$6,132,597
6 - Public Health Infrastructure - Program Support Services	\$45,265,993
7 - Public Health Infrastructure - Administration	\$25,671,859
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$404,696,849</b>

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### Core Public Health Priorities

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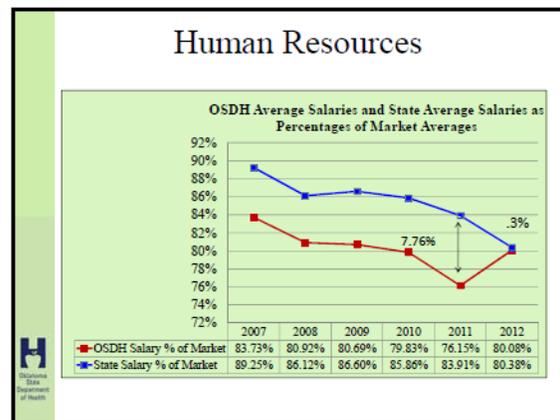
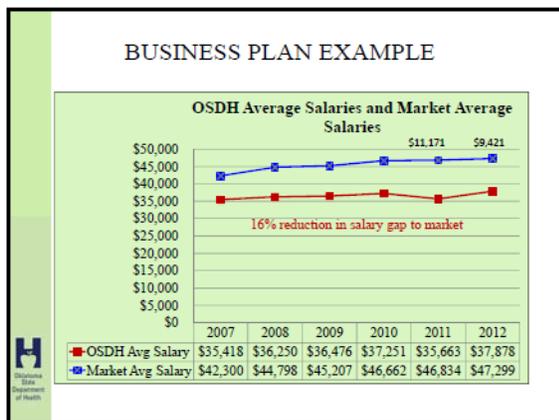
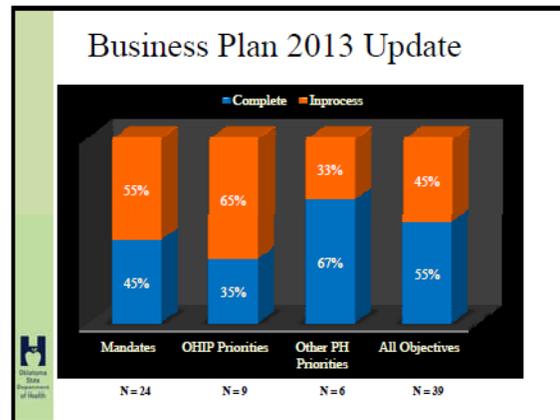
- Mandates
- Emergency Preparedness & Response
- Infectious Disease Control

**OHIP Priorities**

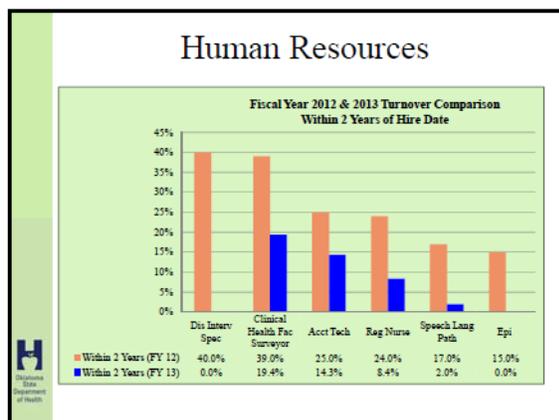
- Tobacco
- Obesity
- Children's Health

**Other Public Health Priorities**

- Preventable Hospitalizations
- Immunization
- Motor Vehicle Crash Death

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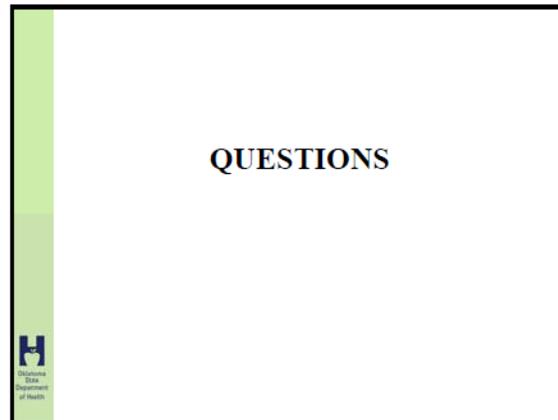


- ### 2014 Key Focus Area
- Develop additional health informatics capacity
  - Necessary to create data architecture and govern the use and exchange of public health information:
    - Between public health registries and programs
    - Between Health and Human Service agencies
    - Between the OSDH and medical providers
  - The deadlines for Meaningful Use Stage 2 are intensifying focus on the following:
    - Public health Meaningful Use activities
    - Public Health Information Network (PHIN) Activities
      - Interoperable Public Health Information System (PHIS)
      - Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS)
      - Oklahoma State Immunization Information System (OSIIS)
      - Case Management Client Information System (CMCIS)
    - Privacy & Security
    - Other agency registries and systems
  - IT consolidation process has complicated efforts
  - All state public health agencies are dealing with these issues currently
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Proposed Informatics Unit Functions

Vision and Strategy	Portfolio and Resource Management	Informatics Capacity	Regulatory	Standards and Quality	Performance Improvement
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vision (Big Picture thinking)</li> <li>Strategic Direction and Planning</li> <li>Directing Strategic Projects</li> <li>Prioritizing</li> <li>When projects should be pursued</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding</li> <li>Leveraging resources</li> <li>ISD Contract Management</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Workforce development</li> <li>Collaboration with stakeholders and partners</li> <li>Facilitating relationships between programs and ISD</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Governance</li> <li>Technology</li> <li>Data</li> <li>IT Security Policy</li> <li>Legal strategy across systems and states</li> <li>Laws and policies</li> <li>Privacy</li> <li>Security</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Infrastructure standards</li> <li>Data standards</li> <li>Analytics standards</li> <li>Integration and interoperability standards</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>System evaluation</li> <li>COJ of the system</li> <li>Desired outcomes</li> <li>Quality of measures</li> <li>Data Quality</li> <li>Applied research</li> </ul>
Project Management					
Policy					
Internal Capacity – Dedicated Access (availability) – Healthcare IT, State IT, Department IT					



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The presentation concluded.

OFFICE OF ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEMS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Terry L. Cline, Ph.D., Commissioner of Health

Dr. Cline presented the Office of Accountability Systems Policy with highlighted additions for approval to the Board of Health. He briefly discussed the controls built into the policy to ensure consistent and fair review and the creation of the Coordinating Complaint Council, which will serve to maximize the resources of the Board and Department and eliminate the duplication of investigations.

**Office of Accountability Systems**

**Background**

The Office of Accountability Systems (OAS) was created pursuant to Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 1-105f (63 O.S. § 105f) by the Oklahoma Legislature in 2006. Pursuant to statute, there is a Director for OAS who reports directly to and under the direct supervision of the Board of Health, but is also under the general supervision of the Commissioner of Health, 63 O.S. § 105f (B)(2). The duties of the OAS are established at 63 O.S. § 105f (A) & (B) as:

1. Coordinate audits and investigations and make reports to the State Board of Health and State Commissioner of Health within the State Department of Health and State Health Officer relating to the administration of programs and operations of the State Department of Health, see, 63 O.S. § 105f (A) (1);
2. Except as otherwise prohibited by current law, access all records, reports, audits, reviews, documents, papers, recommendations, or other material which relate to programs and operations with respect to which the Director of the Office of Accountability Systems has responsibilities, see, 63 O.S. § 105f (A) (2);
3. Request assistance from other state, federal and local government agencies, see, 63 O.S. § 105f (A) (3);
4. Issue administrative subpoenas for the production of all information, documents, reports, answers, records, accounts, papers, and other data and documentary evidence, see, 63 O.S. § 105f (A) (4);

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- 3 5. Administer to or take from any current or former employee of the State Department of Health
- 4 an oath, affirmation, or affidavit, see, 63 O.S. § 105f (A) (5);
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- 6 6. Receive and investigate complaints or information from an employee of the Department,
- 7 service recipient or member of the public concerning the possible existence of an activity
- 8 within the State Department of Health constituting a violation of law, rules or regulations,
- 9 mismanagement, gross waste of funds, abuse of authority or a substantial and specific danger
- 10 to the public health and safety, see, 63 O.S. § 105f (A) (6);
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- 12 7. Cause to be issued on behalf of OAS credentials, including an identification card with the
- 13 State Seal, see, 63 O.S. § 105f (A) (7);
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- 15 8. Keep confidential all actions and records relating to OAS complaints, see, 63 O.S. § 105f (A)
- 16 (8);
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- 18 9. Keep the State Board of Health and the State Commissioner of Health fully informed of
- 19 matters relating to fraud, abuses, deficiencies and other serious problems of which the
- 20 Director is aware relating to the administration of programs and operations within the State
- 21 Department of Health. Further, the Director shall recommend corrective action concerning
- 22 such matters and report to the State Board of Health and the State Commissioner of Health on
- 23 the progress of the corrective matters, see, 63 O.S. § 105f (B) (1); and
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- 25 10. Report expeditiously to the appropriate law enforcement entity whenever the Director has
- 26 reasonable grounds to believe that there has been a felonious violation of state or federal
- 27 criminal law, see, 63 O.S. § 105f (B) (3).

## 28 **Policy Statement**

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30 In adopting this Policy Statement, the Board of Health has reviewed and takes into account certain

31 programs and policies of the OSDH, including the OSDH Personnel Advisory Committee, the Civil

32 Rights Administrator for the OSDH, the Internal Audit Unit of the OSDH and OSDH Administrative

33 Procedure 1-30a. OSDH Administrative Procedure 1-30a establishes a process for the handling and

34 referral of complaints and other inquiries received by OAS, which includes when OAS receives a

35 complaint or inquiry concerning the President of the Board of Health, any current member of the Board of

36 Health, the Commissioner of Health, a member of Senior Leadership of the OSDH, (for the purposes of

37 this policy "Senior Leadership of the OSDH" is defined as a Deputy Commissioner for the OSDH, the

38 Chief Operating Officer for the OSDH, the Director of State and Federal Policy for the OSDH, and the

39 Executive Assistant/Senior Advisor for the Commissioner of Health) any individual who directly reports

40 to the Board of Health, (including the Director of OAS, the Secretary of the Board of Health and the

41 Director of Internal Audit) and any other complaint or inquiry received by OAS, as follows:

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- 43 A. If the complaint involves the President of the Board of Health, the OAS Director will inform the
- 44 Commissioner of Health and the Chair of the Accountability, Ethics and Audit Committee for the
- 45 Board of Health concerning the receipt and nature of the complaint and after consultation with the
- 46 Commissioner and Committee Chair, follow the procedures set forth in OSDH Administrative
- 47 Procedure 1-30a;
- 48 B. If the complaint involves a current member of the Board of Health, who is not the President, the
- 49 OAS Director will inform the Commissioner of Health, the President of the Board of Health and
- 50 the Chair of the Accountability, Ethics and Audit Committee concerning the receipt and nature of
- 51 the complaint and after consultation with the Commissioner and Board President, follow the
- 52 procedures set forth in OSDH Administrative Procedure 1-30a;

- 1 C. If the complaint involves the Board of Health in total, the OAS Director will inform the  
2 Commissioner of Health concerning the receipt and nature of the complaint. After consultation  
3 with the Commissioner of Health, if an investigation is required, the Director of OAS will follow  
4 the procedures set forth in OSDH Administrative Procedure 1-30a;
- 5 D. If the complaint involves the Commissioner of Health, the OAS Director will inform the  
6 President of the Board of Health and the Chair of the Accountability, Ethics and Audit Committee  
7 for the Board of Health concerning the receipt and nature of the complaint and after consultation  
8 with the Committee Chair and Board President, follow the procedures set forth in OSDH  
9 Administrative Procedure 1-30a;
- 10 E. If the complaint involves a current member of Senior Leadership of the OSDH, the OAS Director  
11 will inform the Commissioner of Health, the President of the Board of Health and the Chair of the  
12 Accountability, Ethics and Audit Committee for the Board of Health concerning the receipt and  
13 nature of the complaint and after consultation with the Committee Chair, Commissioner of Health  
14 and Board President, follow the procedures set forth in OSDH Administrative Procedure 1-30a;
- 15 F. If the complaint involves a person in a position that directly reports to the Board of Health, the  
16 OAS Director will inform the Commissioner of Health, the President of the Board of Health and  
17 the Chair of the Accountability, Ethics and Audit Committee concerning the receipt and nature of  
18 the complaint and after consultation with the Commissioner of Health and Board President,  
19 follow the procedures set forth in OSDH Administrative Procedure 1-30a; and
- 20 G. If the complaint does not fall within any of the categories listed above, The OAS Director will  
21 convene a meeting of the OSDH Coordinating Complaint Council and after consultation with the  
22 Council follow the procedures set forth in OSDH Administrative Procedure 1-30a.

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24 OSDH Administrative Procedure 1-30a establishes the Coordinating Complaint Council, the Council  
25 members and the Council duties. It is the intent of the Board of Health that all OAS staff comply with the  
26 requirements of OSDH Administrative Procedure 1-30a. This Board of Health Policy Statement is  
27 written to provide a framework for the interaction between the OAS and the OSDH, and to maximize the  
28 limited resources of the Board of Health and the OSDH.

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- 30 H. Effective this date, the Director of OAS may exercise the duties listed in paragraphs (3), (4) and  
31 (10), above with the written approval of the President of the Board of Health and/or the  
32 Commissioner of Health.
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- 34 I. Effective this date, the Identification Cards issued by the OSDH meet the requirements of  
35 paragraph (7) above.
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- 37 J. Effective this date, the Director of OAS may exercise the duties listed in paragraphs (1), (2), (5),  
38 (6), (8) and (9), above, when a complaint is received by OAS concerning any member of the  
39 Board of Health, the Commissioner of Health, a member of Senior Leadership of the OSDH or a  
40 complaint alleging that an employee of the OSDH has committed a fraud or has abused his/her  
41 authority to the community regulated by the OSDH or to the general public who is not an  
42 employee of the OSDH, in the performance of his/her job duties.

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44 The presentation concluded.

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46 **Ms. Wolfe moved Board approval to approve the Office of Accountability Systems Policies and**  
47 **Procedures as presented. Second Dr. Woodson. Motion carried.**

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49 **AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson**

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AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORT FOR PROPOSED VALUES STATEMENTS

Robert S. Stewart, M.D.; Martha A. Burger, M.B.A.; Jenny Alexopoulos, D.O.

Dr Stewart presented five (5) Values Statements proposed by the Ad Hoc committee. The committee felt these statements were representative of the feedback provided by the Board, Department employees, and Public Health Partners. The Board discussed possible modifications as well as the ordering of the Values Statements. The Board agreed that Leadership should lead the statements but did not have a preference for the ordering of the remaining statements.

1. **Leadership** - To provide vision and purpose in public health through knowledge, inspiration and dedication. To be identified as the leading authority on prevention, preparedness and health policy.
2. **Integrity** - To steadfastly fulfill our obligations, maintain public trust, and exemplify excellence and ethical conduct in our work ,services, processes, and operations.
3. **Community** - To respect the importance, diversity, and contribution of individuals and community partners.
4. **Service** - To demonstrate a commitment to public health through compassionate actions and stewardship of time, resources, and talents.
5. **Accountability** - To competently improve the public's health on the basis of sound scientific evidence and responsible research.

**Ms. Burger moved Board approval to approve the values statements as presented giving the Department Senior Leadership the flexibility to wordsmith. Second Dr. Stewart. Motion carried.**

**AYE: Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson**

**ABSENT: Alexopoulos**

ADJOURNMENT

**Dr. Woodson moved to adjourn. Second Mr. Starkey. Motion carried.**

**AYE: Burger, Gerard, Grim, Krishna, Starkey, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson**

**ABSENT: Alexopoulos**

The meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Approved

*R. Murali Krishna*  
M.D.

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R. Murali Krishna, M.D.  
President, Oklahoma State Board of Health

October 9, 2013

## LITTLE CIGARS AND PACK LIMITS

### Description

Little cigars are almost identical to cigarettes in shape and size. They generally have filters like cigarettes, but are wrapped with either a tobacco leaf or a substance containing tobacco, and not solely paper, as is the case with cigarettes. Little cigars are often sold individually.

### Health Harms

- Regular cigar smoking causes cancer, heart disease, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).<sup>1</sup>
- Cigar smoke contains the same toxins as cigarette smoke. Any difference in risks between cigars and cigarettes is likely attributable to differences in frequency of use and the fact that not all cigar smokers inhale.
- Little cigars and cigarillos are more like cigarettes and therefore are more easily smoked and inhaled like cigarettes.
- Another use of cigars, known as "blunting," involves a cigar that is hollowed out and filled with marijuana.<sup>2</sup>

### Youth Access

- Between 2001 and 2008, the sale of cigars increased by 87%. Little cigars contributed to that growth at a rate of 158%.<sup>3</sup>
- Nationally, high school students are about twice as likely as adults (13.1 percent vs. 6.6 percent) to report smoking a cigar in the past month.<sup>4</sup> Nationally, high school students are about twice as likely as adults (13.1 percent vs. 6.6 percent) to report smoking a cigar in the past month.<sup>5</sup>
- In Oklahoma, 13% of high school students reported current use of cigars (10.6% of females and 15.9% of males).<sup>6</sup> Almost two-thirds (63.5%) of high schools students who smoke cigars usually or always smoke flavored cigars (females: 58.4%, males: 67.3%).<sup>7</sup>
- Tax increases have not affected all tobacco products equally. Although cigarettes and little cigars are similar products, little cigars can be purchased for substantially less than cigarettes, making them more attractive to price-sensitive populations.<sup>8</sup>
- The state excise tax on little cigars is 3.6 cents each. A pack of 5 little cigars would result in 18 cents state excise tax and 25 cents federal (43 cents total).<sup>9</sup>
- Cheap, sweet cigars can serve as an entry product for kids to a lifetime of smoking.<sup>10</sup>
- Minimum pack size requirements would make the products less accessible by youth, since the prices would be higher.
- Most cigars are sold in convenience stores rather than in cigar shops.<sup>11</sup>

<sup>1</sup> National Cancer Institute. Cigars: Health Effects and Trends. Smoking and Tobacco Control Monograph No. 9. 1998

<sup>2</sup> National Institute on Drug Abuse. *Marijuana: Facts for Teens* (<http://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/marijuana-facts-teens>). NIH Pub. No. 04-4037. Bethesda, MD. NIDA, NIH, DHHS. Revised March 2011. Retrieved December 2012.

<sup>3</sup> Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids. Not Your Grandfathers Cigar. March 2013

<sup>4</sup> U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), "Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance—United States, 2011," *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)* 61(SS-4), June 8, 2012.

<sup>5</sup> U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), "Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance—United States, 2011," *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)* 61(SS-4), June 8, 2012.

<sup>6</sup> Oklahoma State and National Trends in Youth Tobacco Use. Youth Tobacco Survey (YTS). Oklahoma State Department of Health. 1999-2011.

<sup>7</sup> Youth Tobacco Survey 2011

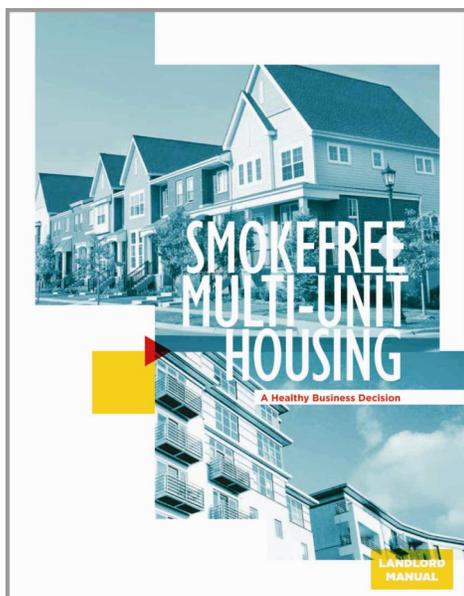
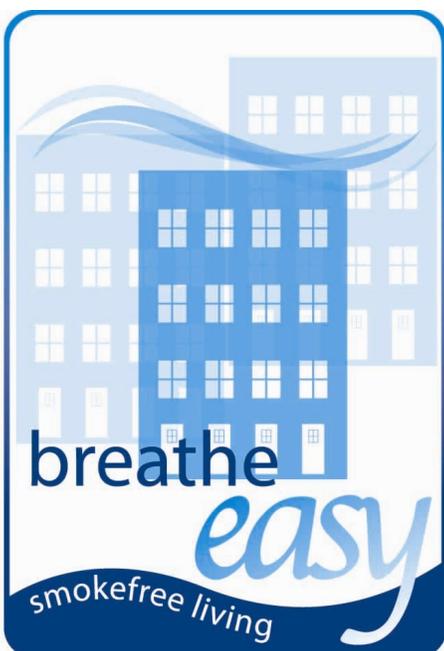
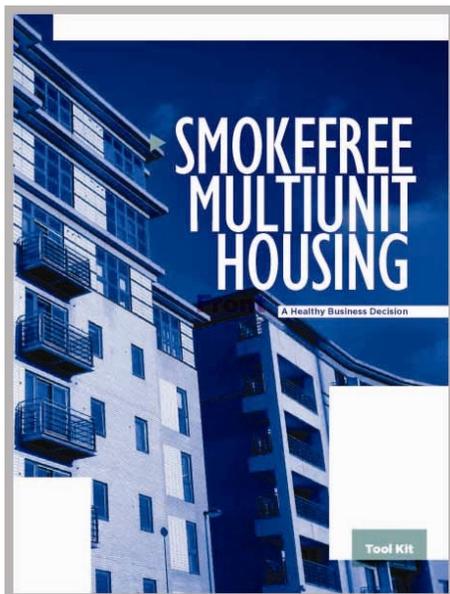
<sup>8</sup> Tobacco Control Legal Consortium. Regulatory Options for Little Cigars

<sup>9</sup> Oklahoma Tax Commission: Oklahoma tax rates

<sup>10</sup> Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids. Not your Grandfathers Cigar. March 2013

<sup>11</sup> Zid, LA, "Savor the Flavor," *Convenience Store/Petroleum* magazine, October 2010.

# Multiunit Housing Smoking Policy Disclosure



- About 10% of Oklahoma’s housing units are in multiunit housing (5 units or more).
- 80% of Oklahoma apartment residents live in buildings that have no policy on smoking.\*
- State smoking laws protect hallways, offices and other areas that are indoor workplaces. Private residential areas are not protected by these laws.
- When smoking is allowed in one area, smoke can and will spread to other areas within the building.
- A majority of Oklahoma nonsmoking apartment residents report they have experienced smoke infiltration into their apartments.\*
- 60% of Oklahoma apartment residents would prefer to be in an entirely nonsmoking building.\*
- Secondhand tobacco smoke causes disease and premature death in nonsmokers. There is no safe level of exposure.\*\*
- OSDH and the OHIP recommend smokefree homes, including multiunit housing.
- Consideration should be given to nonsmoking zones outside of entrances, open windows and patio doorways, especially in multiunit housing, to prevent smoke entering homes.
- Oklahoma’s Commissioner of Health has issued a public health warning advising persons with heart disease or at elevated risk for heart disease not to enter places where smoking is allowed.\*\*\*
- O \_\_\_\_\_ unit housing residents and prospective residents \_\_\_\_\_

**Footnotes from front (sources)**

\* 2011 survey of Oklahoma multiunit housing residents by Spears School of Business, Oklahoma State University  
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 \*\* 2006 US Surgeon General’s Report.  
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 \*\*\* April 2004 public health warning accessible at [www.breatheeasyok.com](http://www.breatheeasyok.com).

## E-Cigarettes

### What is an e-cigarette?

- A battery-powered device that heats a liquid solution to produce a vapor for inhalation.
- Some look similar to cigarettes and even have a tip that lights up when the user inhales. Other vapor products look less like cigarettes but serve the same purpose. Some are refillable and rechargeable, while others are disposable.
- The liquid solution comes in various flavors and nicotine levels, including a 0% nicotine option.
- Use of an e-cigarette is often referred to as “vaping” rather than “smoking.”

### Are they safe? Are they regulated?

- As e-cigarettes are a relatively new product, there is limited research about them.
- E-cigarettes don’t contain traditional tobacco, but they do contain nicotine, which is a tobacco-derived product. As a result, a federal court has determined they can be regulated as a tobacco product, and the FDA has announced its intent to regulate e-cigarettes.
- Because the products are not currently regulated and many are produced outside the United States, there is no oversight of manufacturer’s claims or independent reseller’s claims regarding ingredients, nicotine content, safety, or possible use as a cessation aid.
- The liquid nicotine solution can be dangerous to children or pets if ingested.
- Even with limited research, there is reason to believe that these products can cause harm. Certain metals have been found to be present in e-cigarettes which could be harmful if inhaled. Additionally, there have been incidents of the battery exploding or causing fire.
- Research on the health effects of secondhand vapor is limited. At one time in history, smoking in buildings and vehicles was considered a safe practice, but years of research have proved otherwise. Research on e-cigarettes is new and evolving, and it may be some time before we know the total health effects of these products to users and those exposed to secondhand vapor.

### Where can e-cigarettes legally be used? Who can buy them?

- Because state clean indoor air laws were written before e-cigarettes, the law is silent on their indoor use. Organizations may pass voluntary policies that prohibit indoor use of e-cigarettes.
- The law does not prohibit the sale of e-cigarettes to minors, however, most stores have voluntary policies requiring a customer be 18 to purchase an e-cigarette product.

### What other concerns exist about e-cigarettes?

- Kid-friendly flavors such as cherry and chocolate are banned by the FDA for cigarettes because of their potential to appeal to children; that is not the case with e-cigarettes. E-cigarettes come in many flavors, which may increase the appeal for youth.
- Because many e-cigarettes look like traditional cigarettes and emit a vapor that looks like traditional cigarette smoke, e-cigarettes also have the potential to impact social norms and public perception of smoking prevalence that the tobacco control community has worked so hard to change.

## ATTACHMENT 3

- Laws that restrict cigarette advertising do not include e-cigarettes, so ads are appearing in magazines, on television, and in other public places, which also impacts the social norm regarding these products and potentially social norms about smoking overall.
- Even if future research finds that harm to the individual could be reduced, there could be increased harm to the *public* if 1) people who would have otherwise quit tobacco use e-cigarettes instead, and 2) people who would have otherwise not used a tobacco product take up e-cigarettes or other tobacco products.

### **Are e-cigarettes a proven cessation aide?**

- There is limited research on the effectiveness of e-cigarettes as a cessation aide and their long-term safety is unstudied. However, there are multiple FDA-approved nicotine replacement therapy products available for individuals who wish to quit. These approved products, which have been studied for effectiveness and side effects, are available for free by calling 1-800-QUIT-NOW.
- Some people who have no intention of quitting traditional tobacco products may use e-cigarettes to get nicotine throughout the day and still comply with bans on traditional cigarette smoking in public. This is a form of “dual use” and has the potential to increase overall tobacco use, though more research is needed on this topic.
- Many people have shared anecdotal stories about switching from cigarettes to e-cigarettes; however, it is not clear in most cases if those individuals have quit using cigarettes but continue to use e-cigarettes, or if they have quit nicotine use entirely.

### **What action should we take related to e-cigarettes?**

*Note: These are possible actions if e-cigarettes are an area of focus relevant to your community and your organization’s work at this time. It is not required that you take any action.*

- To protect other customers and employees who choose not to be exposed to chemicals, businesses should adopt policies that prohibit the use of e-cigarettes on their property as part of a comprehensive tobacco-free policy.
  - If local organizations have voluntary tobacco-free policies, revise those policies to include e-cigarettes.
  - If no voluntary policy exists, work toward passing a comprehensive tobacco-free policy that includes e-cigarettes.
- Although e-cigarettes are a popular topic right now because of their novelty, it’s important to continue working on evidence-based best practices for overall reduction in tobacco use. While it is important for us to address this new concern in tobacco control, we cannot lose sight of the still large problem of tobacco use, which kills about 6,200 people per year in Oklahoma. We have the 4<sup>th</sup> highest smoking rate in the country. Sales of e-cigarettes in the U.S. last year reached \$500 million, but e-cigarettes are still a small fraction (0.5%) of the total tobacco market in the U.S. (Source: New York Times)