

**GOVERNOR'S LEAD POISONING PREVENTION COMMISSION**  
**Maryland Department of the Environment**  
**Approved Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, November 5, 2020**

**Documents Distributed:**

- AnnualReport2020\_Final.pdf
- Draft Minutes 201001.pdf
- Final Agenda 201105.pdf
- PowerPointPresentationFromDr.Keyvan.Annual\_Rpt\_2019\_.pdf
- PowerPointPresentationFromPaulaMontgomery.LeadCommissionAnnual Report11\_2020.pdf
- UpdatedPOCtestingList.pdf

**Opening Welcome and Introductions:**

Paula Montgomery called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM with welcome and introductions.

**Members Present:**

Benita Cooper	Cliff Mitchell	Manjula Paul
Anna Davis	Paula Montgomery	Adam Skolnik
Susan Kleinhammer	Barbara Moore	
Mary Beth Haller	Leonidas Newton	

**Members Absent:**

Jill Carter

Christina Peusch

**Guests Present:**

Mark Borgoyne-MDE	Colleen Hess-BCHD	Ruth Ann Norton-GHHI
Chevelle Bash-GHHI	Lisa Horne-MDH	Wendy Phillips-MDE
Shante Branch-MDE	Kathy Howard-RMI	Paul Rogers-MDAAP
Camille Burke-BCHD	Dawn Joy-AMA	Georgella Samu-MDE
Allison Cantos-GHHI	Ezatollah Keyvan-MDE	Edward Thomas-HUD
Chris Corzine-OAG	Kaley Laleker-MDE	Patrick Wallis-HUD
Eamon Flynn-MDH	Jamal Lewis-GHHI	Daniel Zanchettin-MGA
Ludeen Green-GHHI	Victor Michelena-Kay	

**Approval of Minutes:**

The October 1, 2020 minutes were approved as distributed.

**Old Business:**

- 2021 Legislation Discussion: Anna Davis informed the Commission that she and Adam Skolnik had a brief discussion about possible updates on a previous bill on which the Commission took a position during the last two legislative sessions. The bill they discussed, the proposed Landlord Tenant Law, may be reintroduced this upcoming legislative season. The Maryland Multi-Housing Association, Inc. has been working with the Public Justice Center and Delegate Rosenberg on this bill which allows an affirmative defense of the lead status of the property in the failure to pay rent case. Adam recommends that the effective date of this bill be postponed until MDE's database is operational and accessible via the web.
- Updated list of Point of Care Testing Facilities: An updated list was sent to the Commission which now identifies the counties. In the next upcoming months, Paula Montgomery would like the Commission to review the list and present the list to the Maryland Department of Health to see if there are any areas of the state that may be lacking in point of care testing. This was one of the suggestions for the Asset and Gap Analysis that was identified. Cliff Mitchell recommended that MDE's ability to process the reports be monitored as well as determine if it has sufficient resources to process all the data.
- Open Forum/Grand Round Presentation Updates (Environmental and Medical Staff, Pediatricians?): Cliff Mitchell indicated that there will be five virtual presentations around the state with five hours of continuing medical education. The presentations will tentatively be planned for late January/early February or March. The presentations will remind people that lead poisoning is still an important issue. Topics of the presentation will be: previous status; current status; new data; overview of changes in the lead law; changes in surveillance data; what is happening with lead; overview of lead in the state; evaluation of testing rates; sources of lead data from MDE; testing; case management; overview of the new CHIP initiative; discussions of how home visiting services and lead abatement, through the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, can help the pediatricians and their patients; and a presentation of an actual case i.e. clinical grand round/case grand round.
- Calendar Reminder for December MDH: As a reminder, Elizabeth Heitz will present a report on Universal Testing Outcomes & Lead Screening during the December 2020 meeting.

**New Business:**

- A two part presentation of the CY2019 Childhood Lead Surveillance in MD Report was given by Dr. Ezatollah Keyvan and Paula Montgomery. Dr. Keyvan discussed statistical analysis and Ms. Montgomery discussed an analysis of the medical and environmental case management outcomes. The slide presentations were emailed to the Commission meeting attendees at the conclusion of the meeting.

**Agency Hot Topics/Current Events:**

- **MDE** (Maryland Department of the Environment): There were no comments or updates provided.
- **MDH** (Maryland Department of Health): There were no comments or updates provided.
- **Maryland DHCD** (Maryland Department of Housing and Community) Development: There were no comments or updates provided.
- **BCHD** (Baltimore City Health Department): There were no comments or updates provided.
- **HABC** (Housing Authority of Baltimore City): There were no comments or updates provided.
- **Baltimore City DHCD** (Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development). There were no comments or updates provided.
- **MSDE/OCC** (Maryland State Department of Education/Office of Child Care). Manjula Paul indicated that Christina Ardito and Tim Rule from MDE's Water and Science Administration - Water Supply Program met with the leadership team at OCC. It was agreed that MDE and OCC would collaborate to move forward with OCC's volunteer water testing project. MDE is planning all the logistics which will be implemented soon.
- **MIA** (Maryland Insurance Administration). There were no comments or updates provided.

**Commissioner Comments and Updates:** There were no comments or updates provided.

**Public Comments and Updates:** Ludeen Green-GHHI asked about the status of the Asset and Gap Analysis Subcommittee. Paula Montgomery replied that a list has been created which specifies all the recommendations that the Commission wants to support and move forward. The recommendations are continuing behind the scenes. Moving forward, recommendations will be discussed at future Commission meetings as needed.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Paula Montgomery to adjourn the meeting. All present Commissioners were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 11:27.

**Future Meeting Date:**

The next Lead Commission Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 3, 2020 via Google Hangouts, from 9:30 – 11:30 AM.