# **MEETING OF THE**

# **VIRGINIA COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**

# **PLEASE SHARE WITH CHWS SO THEY MAY PARTICIPATE**

# **February 8, 2023 – 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

You are invited to a Zoom meeting.

When: February 8, 2023, 2:00pm -4:00pm Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting:

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# Proposed Agenda

**This meeting will be recorded for purposes of capturing the proceedings and action items.**

**When not speaking, participants are asked to put their audio on mute.**

Wish to become a Council Member? Please complete - [Membership Application](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Va_CHW_Council)

Welcome and Introductions (please type your name and organization into the chat function, if participating by phone only, please email that you were present to chatchell@institutephi.org)

1. Ice Breaker- Everyone
   1. Place answers in the chat
2. Updates on stakeholders work with CHW’s – new grants, training programs, celebrations- Patrice
   1. Stephanie- Why this is important to be connected as a member to the National Association
      1. Paige Menking- NACHW Workforce Development Council
      2. Announce National CHW Board of Directors
      3. Ambassadors
      4. Unity Conference – Save the date! AUGUST 3-5, 2023 | Austin, Texas
      5. Call for Presentations- Applications due: February 20th
      6. [NACHW – 2023 Unity Conference (nachwunity.org)](https://nachwunity.org/)
   2. Lisa- VDH-CHW program updates
   3. Breanna -Bristol updates
   4. Ronnette - CHW positions -CDC for Healthy Virginia updates
3. GA Civic Engagement Updates-Chloe
4. CHW Association Updates- Shanteny
   1. [VACHWA | Virginia Community Health Workers Association (chwofva.com)](https://chwofva.com/)
5. CHW Certification Presentation- Mary Jo
   1. [Home | Virginia Certification Board (vacertboard.org)](https://www.vacertboard.org/)
6. Committee Updates - Patrice & Stephanie – CHW committee volunteers are needed:
   1. Policy and Communications (Strategic Planning)-
      1. Co-chairs-Kimberly Dyke-Harsley and Chloe Edwards
   2. Financing, Measurement and Evaluation
      1. Co-chairs-**volunteers needed**
   3. Curriculum, Training, and Certification
      1. Co-chairs- Sereta Hunter and Quawneisha People
7. Updates on Virginia Statewide Registry- Kelly
   1. [Community Health Workers Registry (vachwregistry.org)](https://www.vachwregistry.org/)
8. Newsletter & Communications – Kelly Evans
9. Adjournment – Patrice Shelton

**CHW WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**

**SUMMARY OF THE MEETING OF February 8, 2023**

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| **Attendees** |
| Megan Clay, Sylvia Alonzo, Holly Stevens, Kathleen Thomas, Kimberly Stewart, Stephanie Tony, Jordan Rome, Mirabel Ochoa, Romain May, Amanda Mckerthern, Lauren Spencer, Danielle Montague, Patrice Shelton, Anton io Hernandez, Kevita Robinson, Adriane Granby, Yolimar De Leon Beltran, Afton Root, Nathan Fraley, Konrad Orta, Lauren Ruiz, Lauren Spencer, Joyce Freeman, Beth Evans, April Wilson, Antoinette Williams. Angela Parks, Senita Bright, Michelle Taylor, Amy Taloma, Lisa Kaplowitz, Sereta Hunter, Mary Jo Mather, Michelle White, Kara Birkhead, Ivy Bell, De’naja Blanchard, Reagan Senter, Joan Corder-Mabe, Sylvia Alonzo, LaFaye Derricott, Blanca Albert, Kimberly Dyke-Harsley, Kimberly Stewart, Vanessa Willie, Cynthia Zagal, Ronnette Moton, Stephanie Carrington, Paige Menking, Kathleen Thomas, Consuelo Stanton, Kwame Opoku, Jade Wheatley, Paula Tomko, Collin Badger, Glenda Ruffin, Cindy Warriner, Abby Charles, Shamonique Chapman, DeAnna Harris, Joyce Freeman, Shanteny Jackson, Ben Barber, Martina Tatum, Consuelo Stanton, Brea Burke, Ben Barber, Pam Blanketship, Keyanah Tucker, Adrianne Hill, Romaine May, Areh Ayuzo, Tammy Oakes, Jackie Green-August, Chlo’e Edwards, Laura Wilson, Senita Bright, Traci Paskins-Brower, Angela Parker, Ivy Bell, Shelley Scott-Johnson, Tavares Terrell, Kelly Evans, Cinthia Hatchell |

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| Meeting Start |
| The meeting began at approximately 2:00pm |

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| Introductions and Ice Breaker |
| Chair, Patrice Shelton and Co-Chair, Stephanie Toney gave introductions and ice breaker. |

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| Updates on stakeholders work with CHW’s – new grants, training programs, celebrations |
| Paige Menking from NACHW Workforce Development Counsel spoke on the importance of being involved. Applications for committees in Summer 2023 are to open soon. Ambassador openings will be announced soon. Planning a webinar series for CHWs in CHW apprenticeship programs. [Accepting applications](https://nachw.org/2023/01/17/nachw-board-of-directors-nominations-now-open/) for the board of directors; NACHW has never had a representative from the DMV would like this area represented. Save the date for the Unity Conference; August 3-5, 2023 in Austin, Texas. Call for Presentations applications are due: February 20th. For additional questions email Paige at [paige@ponderosa.health](mailto:paige@ponderosa.health). For more information on the Unity Conference click here: [NACHW – 2023 Unity Conference (nachwunity.org)](https://nachwunity.org/)  Breanna gave updates on Bristol. Two more CHWs have been hired and they are excited to have the extra help. They are working on housing issues in the area and advocating for the community. They are excited to see the workforce grow. Ronnette Moton gave updates on CDC for a Healthy Virginia. They have 15 partners, 3 of their sites are hiring CHWs: Mt. Rogers Health District, Richmond/Petersburg District, and Sacred Heart (recruiting a Spanish speaking candidate). Reach out to Ronnette ([rmoton@institutephi.org](mailto:rmoton@institutephi.org)) or Kelly ([kevens@institutephi.org](mailto:kevens@institutephi.org)) on how to apply. |

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| GA Civic Engagement |
| Chloe Edwards gave updates on GA Civic Engagements. They are collaborating with VACHWA. Want to identify sustainable financing for CHWs in VA. The work group will transition to Development Council. Budget Sunday is the difference between house and senate budget; happy to see “CHW to study Medicaid” was included in senate budget but want to push for the study to be included in house budget as well. February 15th is the last day to act on budget bills. Please contact Chloe for more information at Chloe@Chloeiedwards.com. |

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| CHW Association |
| Shanteny Jackson gave updates on the VACHWA. Have a new staff member, Shamonique Chapman, CHW Outreach Coordinator! VACHWA is recruiting new members for the Ambassador program; please sign up if you’re interested. February training courses have been posted to the website; please register. If you are interested in membership please apply; free and paid [membership options](Https://www.chwofva.com) are available.  Email Shamonique at [outreachcoordinator@chwofva.com](mailto:outreachcoordinator@chwofva.com) for all membership questions. Scholarship opportunities are for active members of the VACHWA for CHW certification are available. [Register](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/249296812477) for VACHW Meeting. They also provide the opportunity to advertise events on their website. The Association is working with a travel agency to help with flight and hotel accommodations for the Unity Conference, more details to come! Want this to be accessible for all. [VACHWA | Virginia Community Health Workers Association (chwofva.com)](https://chwofva.com/) |

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| CHW Certification |
| Mary Jo Mather gave updates on CHW Certification. Please see attached document for more information. [Home | Virginia Certification Board (vacertboard.org)](https://www.vacertboard.org/) [Application](https://www.vacertboard.org/) for accreditation |

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| Committee Updates |
| Patrice Shelton and Stephanie Toney gave updates on the Development Council sub-committees. CHW committee volunteers are needed for the Policy and Communications (Strategic Planning) committee, Financing, Measurement, and Evaluation committee, and the Curriculum, Training, and Certification committee. The Co-Chairs for the strategic planning committee are Kimberly Dyke-Harsley and Chloe Edwards and the next meeting is on March 13th at 2pm. The co-chairs for the Curriculum Committee are Sereta Hunter and Quawneisha People. Co-chair volunteers are needed for the Financing committee. Being on a committee would be about a 4 hours/month time commitment. Please reach out to Kelly Evans if interested in joining a committee. |

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| Virginia Statewide Registry |
| Kelly Evans gave updates on the VA Registry. We walk through the registry and provided a mini training. [Community Health Workers Registry (vachwregistry.org)](https://www.vachwregistry.org/) |

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| Newsletter and Communications |
| Kelly Evans gave updates on the Development Council newsletter. She will be sending the newsletter out going forward and asks if anyone has resources, trainings, etc. that they’d want featured in the newsletter to send them via email. The newsletter is geared towards how to expand the workforce in VA. Kelly Evans: [kevens@institutephi.org](mailto:kevens@institutephi.org) |

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| Adjournment |
| The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:59 pm |

**Next CHW Workforce Council Meeting - April 12th 2:00pm-4:00pm (June 14th)**