

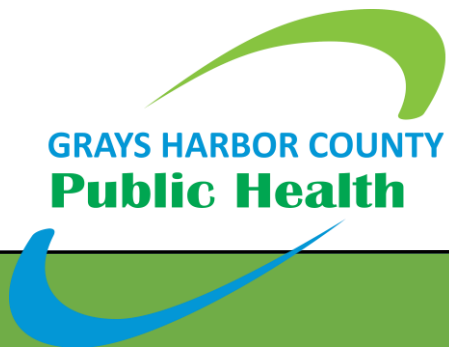
Three years in Grays Harbor Public Health

Where we've been, what we've learned, what we've done, and where we're headed in the future

**Mike McNickle, Director
Grays Harbor County Public Health**

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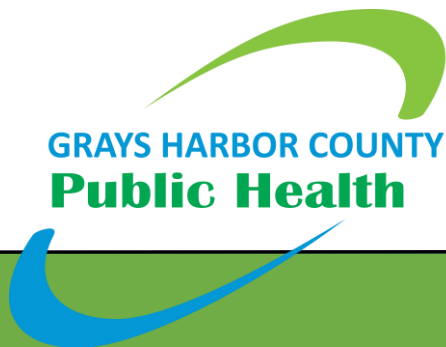


THANK YOU!

**for your efforts in planning and supporting
this event!**

- **Grays Harbor County Public Health Healthy Places Manager Cassie Lentz and her team**
- **Board of County Commissioners**
- **Management and staff of Seabrook**

**AND ALL OF YOU WHO TOOK TIME OUT
OF YOUR BUSY SCHEDULES TO ATTEND!**



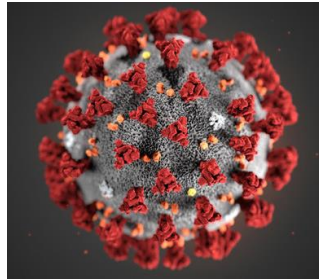
Logistics

- Restrooms
- Agenda (before lunch)
 - Keynote speakers
 - Breakout sessions
- Lunch location
- Agenda (after lunch)
 - More breakout sessions
 - So now what?
- We will conclude by 4 p.m. sharp ... ish
- After-Session Meet and Greet!

Where we were

Mike arrives in March 2021

COVID-19
pandemic –
Boo!



Staff fatigue



Community
fatigue



Lack of
service
provision tied
to poorer
community
health

No CHA/CHIP in
over a decade



No capacity for
“everyday” public health
work



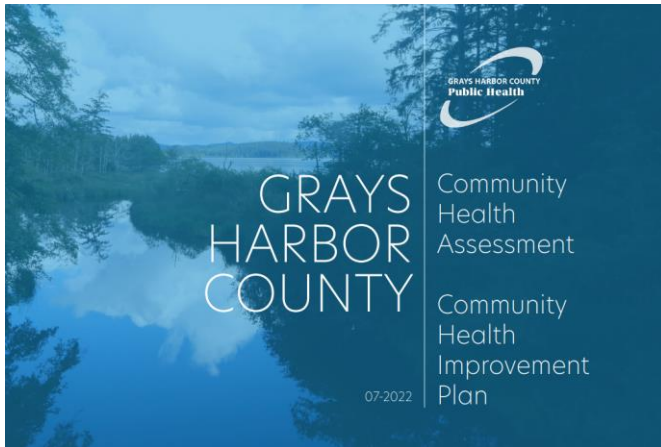
Mistrust and misinformation obstacles

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What we've done

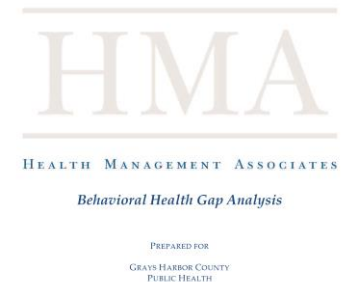
2022

- Community Health Assessment/Community Health Improvement Plan



2023

- Public Health Strategic Plan for 2022-2025
- Behavioral Health Gap Analysis
- Youth Services Gap Analysis
- ER peers with Summit Pacific Medical Center
- Partnered with Summit Pacific Medical Center for a mental health facility and services
- North Beach School-Based Health Center
- Many Homeless Housing Initiatives
- Initiated in-person visits in WIC and Reproductive Health Program
- Initiated a Diabetes Program
- And so much more!



Top findings

CHA/CHIP

- Increase access to culturally appropriate behavioral and physical health providers.
- Expand access to healthy and physical activities.
- Increase access to safe and affordable housing.
- Increase culturally appropriate health communication and education.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH GAP ANALYSIS

- Increase availability of youth services.
- Provide a directory of resources within the community.
- Create a system that provides transportation to appointments.
- Develop anti-stigma education campaigns.
- Increase number of culturally diverse treatment providers to the region.

CHILDHOOD SUPPORT SERVICES GAP ANALYSIS

- Provide smooth transitions of care between levels of services.
- Better access to childcare.
- Navigation support for families in need of resources.
- Access to basic needs.
- Recreational support for families.
- More formal connections to available services.

Strategic Plan

Healthy Families

- Published the Early Childhood Support Systems Gap Analysis.
- Creating a framework for a county-wide diaper bank network.
- Increased the number of families with young children enrolled in Parents as Teachers home visiting program and receiving Women, Infant and Children (WIC) nutrition and education services.

Healthy People

- Implementation of the School-based Health Center in the North Beach School District.
- Diabetes prevention/intervention programming.

Communications

- Translated key pages of the website into Spanish and created a standalone Spanish website.
- Increased social media presence (Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.).

Healthy Places

- Behavioral Health Resource Guide development and implementation.
- Crisis Triage Model design phase, to be completed November 2023.
- Applied for and received additional funds to support youth mental health promotion and suicide prevention.

Where we're headed



- Nov 2023 - Mental Health Triage Plan**
- Dec 2023 - Homeless Housing Task Force**
- Jan 2024 - Third Spaces Plan**
- Jan 2024 – Opioid Abatement Council**
- Mid 2024 – Mobile Clinic**
- Oct 2024 – 2nd Annual Symposium**

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