## School Nurse Connect with DOH February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Meeting Notes

In attendance: 183 participants

- 1. Housekeeping Becky Doe, DOH
  - a. Attendees will be in listen-only mode, but will have access to Q&A box
  - b. No confidential information will be presented or discussed
  - c. Local guidance may differ from Washington State DOH guidance, please always consult with your Local Health Jurisdiction (LHJ) first
- 2. Overview of meeting objective, scope, and agenda Becky Doe, DOH
  - a. To provide a space for Washington State K-12 school nurses to ask questions of Washington State Department of Health (DOH) subject matter experts regarding COVID-19 prevention and mitigation measures, and to discuss implementation of DOH COVID-19 guidelines for K-12 schools.
  - b. Meetings will contain educational topics in the form of presentations given by subject matter experts (SME), followed by a question-and-answer period. Please use the Q&A box for questions.
  - c. https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/71/wr/pdfs/mm7107e4-H.pdf?ACSTrackingID=USCDC\_921-DM75768&ACSTrackingLabel=MMWR%20Early%20Release%20-%20Vol.%2071%2C%20February%2015%2C%202022&deliveryName=U SCDC\_921-DM75768
- 3. Introductions of panelists Becky Doe, DOH
  - Annie Hetzel, School Health Services Consultant, OSPI
  - Nancy Bernard, School Environmental Health and Safety, DOH
  - Dr. Bob Lutz, Medical Advisor, DOH
  - Amnah King, Public Health Nurse School Liaison, DOH
  - Amanda Gefroh, COVID-19 Guidance & External Affairs Lead
  - Kim Sanchez, Education Engagement Director, K-12
  - Katherine Shulock, Health Services Consultant, DOH
  - Becky Doe, Industrial Hygienist/Infection Preventionist, DOH
- 4. Mailbox Feedback please see answers to questions submitted to mailbox in "mailbox questions" tab in excel spreadsheet
  - a. Mailbox address is: SchoolNurseQuestions@doh.wa.gov

- 5. State of COVID Update Amanda Gefroh, DOH Guidance and External Affairs Lead
  - a. The governor is planning to announce future changes to COVID-19 requirements at a press briefing on Thursday, 2/17 (provide link to TVW).
  - b. At this time, we do not know the exact date for when these changes will be implemented. It is anticipated this will be announced on Thursday at the press briefing.
  - c. DOH plans to put out new school guidance week of March 1, with an implementation date in line with what the governor announces.
  - d. DOH has already started the process of convening internally to discuss how future changes to COVID-19 requirements will impact school guidance.
- 6. Question and Answer period please see questions and responses in the "January 18, 2021 Q&A" tab in excel spreadsheet
- 7. Future Meetings
  - a. These meetings are recurring monthly every third Tuesday from 2:30 –
    4:00 pm
  - b. School nurses should register for this webinar and access the notes and slides through the OSPI Newsletter, through the .govdelivery platform. You can sign up for the OSPI Newsletter via this link: <a href="https://www.k12.wa.us/student-success/health-safety/physical-health-nursing-services/school-health-services">https://www.k12.wa.us/student-success/health-safety/physical-health-nursing-services/school-health-services</a>. Once you opened this link, click on "Sign up for Health Services Email Updates" as circled in the below picture:



- c. Once you register the first time, you won't have a register again and can save the meeting invite and link to your calendar (by downloading it onto your calendar). The meeting notes and slides will be posted in a newsletter following each meeting.
- d. Our next meeting is Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 2:30 4:00 pm.