



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal  
Council  
17763 S. Muskogee Ave.  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH SUB COMMITTEE - PUBLIC HEALTH

*Mike Dobbins, Chair*

*Recording Secretary, Shelli Brittain Coke*  
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Tuesday, June 11, 2019

9:00 AM

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dobbins called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

### INVOCATION

Councilor Vazquez gave the invocation.

### ROLL CALL

*Councilor Hatfield was in attendance but isn't a member of this committee.*

**Present** 12 - Mike Dobbins; Mary Baker Shaw; Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Harley Buzzard; Rex Jordan; E. O. "JR." Smith; Janees Taylor; Victoria Vazquez; Bryan Warner ; Canaan Duncan and Shawn Crittenden

### REPORTS:

#### 1. CHEROKEE NATION PUBLIC HEALTH

Lisa Pivec, MS, Senior Director, Public Health

*Ms. Pivec provided a handout of the Public Health highlights for June 2019 and gave an overview of the contents. Dr. Gahn reported on the surveys they have been performing referred to in the report. Ms. Pivec continued with the overview of the report provided. She also gave an update of the progress from the work group to get work out facilities in each community. She provided a handout pertaining to Community Physical Activity Assessment. Chair Dobbins requested the workgroups ideas and meetings be capsulated to explain how we have arrived at this report. She offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Vazquez inquired about the locations of the open positions referred to in the report. She also inquired about starting a wings fitness club for walking in an area if there isn't one. Councilor Shaw requested clarification on how they are educating people on the HPV vaccine inquired how they obtain the participants in the surveys. Councilor Crittenden inquired if they would be able to assist with the community forums. He asked who would be formulating the questions and visiting the communities. He requested clarification on the process and if the results would come back to this committee to assist in the decisions moving forward. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the age group for the HPV vaccine and if there is any supporting data or a success rate. He asked for an elaboration of the*

*infrastructure of health departments as referred to earlier. Councilor Warner requested a brief explanation of what a tribal epidemiology center is along with pros and cons of how their funding is directed, and the future outlook.*

2. STATE OF THE CHEROKEE NATION'S HEALTH  
David Gahn, MD, MPH, Medical Director, Public Health

#### OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

#### NEW BUSINESS

*None pending.*

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Shaw moved to adjourn. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried at 9:54 a.m.**

#### STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Lisa Pivec</i>	<i>Todd Enlow</i>	<i>David Gahn</i>
<i>Chrissi Nimmo</i>	<i>Charlie Stilwell</i>	<i>Jason Shelor</i>
<i>Hillary Mead</i>	<i>Bill John Baker</i>	<i>Ashley Comiford</i>
<i>Taryn King</i>		

#### VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Tahlina Nofire Blakestad</i>	<i>Teddy Snell</i>
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