



## Nashville Health and Wellbeing Leadership Council Minutes

May 19, 2026

Webex Virtual Meeting

1 pm – 2 pm

### Member Attendance:

#### Present

Sanmi Areola-proxy assigned, Kristen Zac  
Al Brady  
Tené Franklin  
Elisa Friedman  
Sarah Goodrich  
Vickie Harris  
Khalela Hatchett  
John Keys  
Paigean Jones  
Kim Molnar  
Mary Kate Mouser  
Renee Pratt- proxy assigned, Jeff Wamble  
Amy Price Neff  
Robert Robinson  
Mark Yancy

#### Ex Officio Members

Anita McCaig  
Randall Miller, Jr., proxy for M. Odom  
Sheronda Wilson, proxy for C. Thomas

#### Absent

Haley Davidson  
Sandra Moore  
Charlotte Peacock

Catherine Knowles  
Sharon Suggs

### Backbone/Facilitators Present

Tracy Buck- Metro Public Health

Jeff Wamble-Metro Social Services

### Community Members' Present

|                  |                       |                  |
|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Travis Miller    | Cynthia Perez-Waitkus | Calandra Whitted |
| Carleigh Frazier | Jake Lorber           | Makenna Woods    |
| Daryl Hill       | Hasina Mohyuddin      | Madeline Kelly   |
| Katherine Diaz   | Wyntress Patterson    |                  |

### MPHD Staff Present

Bobby Kopp

## **Welcome**

Chair Robert Robinson welcomed the attendees to the May 19 meeting of the Nashville Health & Well-being Leadership Council (NHWLC). The meeting was held using Webex for our regularly scheduled virtual meeting.

## **April meeting minutes approval\***

With a quorum of voting members in attendance, Chair Robert Robinson requested a motion to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2026, meeting (link below). The motion was made by Al Brady and seconded by Tené Franklin. The motion was approved.

[April 21, 2026, NHWLC minutes](#)

## **Approval of the Stated Agenda\***

Chair Robert Robinson asked for a motion to approve the stated agenda. The motion to adopt the agenda as presented (link below) was made by John Keys and seconded by Elisa Friedman. Motion was approved.

[May 19, 2026, NHWLC agenda](#)

## **Old Business**

- **Review of the 2023-2025 CHIP Final Report\***

Chair Robert Robertson opened the conversation on the 2023-2025 CHIP Final Report. Following the April meeting, minor edits were made, and the Executive Summary was added to the report. Chair Robertson asked for a motion to approve the report. Kristen Zac made the motion to accept the report as drafted and seconded by John Keys. Motion was approved. Members celebrated the approval with cheers and thanks to the writing team and members from Chair Robinson. The approved version will be posted to the [NHWLC website](#).

- **New Member recruitment process**

Chair Robert Robinson opened the discussion of the new member recruitment process. The attached document shares the current process and additions that could make the process more efficient. The process is also depicted in a graphic. The process additions focus on recruitment of community members by NHWLC members and advocacy for specific appointments to the mayor. The purpose in redesigning the recruitment process is to get community members excited, have them apply for appointments, and the NHWLC will have a working list or a pool of people who fit the gaps that we're looking for in the membership. The CHIP one-pager should be used in the recruitment process. The revised 2026-2028 CHIP one-pager should be available soon. Members asked Tracy Buck and Jeff Wamble to alert them at least 90 days in advance of terms expiring so that they can begin recruitment efforts. Members are asked to review the process and share edits. The document was available to members on the SharePoint site.

## New Business

- Report from the Tennessee Department of Health Spring Health Council Summit

Chair Robert Robinson asked Tracy Buck to share the report from the Tennessee Department of Health Spring Health Council Summit.

- The 4th Annual Middle TN Health Council Community of Practice Spring Summit was held on May 7, 2026, in Murfreesboro.
- This event is open to all county health council members and support staff. This year, Tracy Buck-MPHD, Carleigh Frazier-VUMC, and Elessia Bignall-Ascension Saint Thomas attended, representing Davidson County.
- TDH Commissioner Dr. John Dunn spoke about the recent focus on rural health in Tennessee. He spoke about the Rural Health Transformation Grant, with \$50 million available to rural counties. The RFPs will tie to the counties' community health assessment. There will also be an additional funding opportunity for health councils. Unfortunately, Davidson County is not eligible for these funds.
- Breakout sessions included:
  - Where Purpose Meets Partnership: Connecting the Dots-this session explored how shared purpose and meaningful partnerships can strengthen community impact. Characteristics that allow for stronger communities: trust, belief, communication, collaboration, impact, solutions, growth, and compassion. Key characteristics of a successful partnership:
    - relationships building trust
    - fairness and power dynamics
    - clear accountability
    - resource sharing
    - effective communication and flexibility
  - Leading Intentional Meetings-this session explored how intentional meetings can be transformative for a health council.
- Building the Health Council Playbook- participants spent time in small groups contributing to a shared "playbook" that will be available to health councils and their support.
- Carleigh Frazier encouraged the members to participate in the Health Council Community of Practice (CoP). The CoP is open to anyone in the state who is interested in learning more about the ongoing work of health councils and how they're partnering to address needs. If you are interested in participating in the health council community of practice, contact Atlee Tyree [atlee.tyree@tn.gov](mailto:atlee.tyree@tn.gov). The next Health Council community of practice meeting is on June 24 via Microsoft Teams. Join: [Microsoft Teams link](#) Meeting ID: 285 367 145 008 089 Passcode: 6DN729Cj
- A couple of questions from the members:
  - Is there a parking lot or wish list of ideas or projects that the NHWLC is interested in pursuing?
    - No. We could consider creating an active parking lot for future use.
  - Is there a matrix that has members or people at the table connected to the CHIP areas?

- Yes, there is list of the current workgroup listing. The list will be added to the website. Tracy Buck will share the list with the members following the meeting. Members are asked to review and send edits to Tracy Buck.
- What is the onboarding process for new members?
  - Tracy Buck shared that she has been drafting an onboarding process and guide for the new members. New members are provided with an onboarding session and given a notebook, but this guide will provide more structure for the process.
  - A suggestion was made to assign a new member to an older member.

### **Action Items Review**

| <b>Task/Activity</b>                             | <b>Responsible Person</b> | <b>Deadline</b> | <b>Output/Outcome</b>             |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| • Reviewing the New Member Recruitment Process   | NHWLC members             | June 12, 2026   | Feedback to T. Buck               |
| • Share the updated 2026-2028 CHIP 1-pager       | T. Buck                   | June 16, 2026   | Members will have for recruitment |
| • Review 2026-2028 CHIP WG Member list           | NHWLC members             | June 16, 2026   | List edited                       |
| • 2026-2028 CHIP WG Member list on NHWLC website | T. Buck                   | June 30, 2026   | CHIP WG list available on website |

### **Announcements**

- Members were reminded that during the virtual meetings, they are asked to have their camera on if it is safe to do so. Being able to see each other in virtual space is beneficial for interaction and building rapport.
- Sheronda Wilson presented herself as the representative for Curtis Thomas at MDHA. She will be participating in the group as his designated proxy.
- The revised NHWLC website is almost finished. The health department page has been updated, and the link to the revised website is [HERE](#). The Storymap section is not live yet but will be added to the main page very soon.

The next meeting of the Nashville Health & Well-being Leadership Council will be held in person at the Lentz Public Health Center on **Tuesday, June 16, 2026**. With nothing further, the meeting was adjourned.