



### Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, July 17, 2025

Time: 9:00 am- 11:00 am

Location: OCHD- South Oakland Health Center

**Welcome & Announcements:** Oakland count baby café free breastfeeding support every Monday from 1-3pm @ Honor Community Health Family medicine center located at 461 W Huron Suite 107 Pontiac, MI 48341

OLHSA is accepting new clients for its tuition free early head start and head start program serving children ages 0-5

Code to compassion: Harnessing the power of AI for good in Birthing and Breastfeeding is hosting a virtual event Tuesday August 19<sup>th</sup> from 10-11:30am you must register to receive the link to join the event

Free substance use disorder community workshop: Neuroscience, Addiction and Recovery event August 14<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8pm. Visit [www.oaklandchn.org](http://www.oaklandchn.org) to register for workshops

Oakland community health network 17<sup>th</sup> annual recovery celebration September 19<sup>th</sup> 11am-1:30pm at 5505 Corporate Dr. Troy, MI 48098

**Pregnancy Center and Baby Cafe: Joan Wrobel & Megan Knaus**

Centering pregnancy is mental help, breastfeeding support and social support

for pregnant moms that are due around the same time to be seen together as a group. These are cofacilitated sessions providing education and answers to questions that all the moms may have but are scared to ask. The sessions will include 6-8 women and will be for around 2 hours so that everyone gets a chance to be seen and heard. A mother and baby supply closet will be launching soon. The baby café has launched and is a free drop-in breastfeeding support group. Families can get help from lactation experts, meet other parents and relax in a baby-friendly space.

**Implicit Bias:** Jennifer Person- “We all bring our own experiences, cultural norms and assumptions into our work-which can include interactions with families – without even realizing it.” These unconscious assumptions, especially about race, age and gender can shape how we communicate, how we interpret a person’s behavior or how we deliver support.

## **Closing Remarks & Meeting Survey**

**Upcoming Meeting: Thursday, September 11, 2025, 9:00-12:30pm**

### **Meeting attendees:**

Deirdre Sampson- Empowering Family Services LLC

Tamara Gordon- OCHD

Sheryl Baron- OCHD

David Roth- OCHD

Francheska Carnacchi- OCHD

Joann Wrobel- OCHD

Kate Barlow- OCHD

Shelia Hare- OCHD

Melinda Blesch- OCHD

Nancy Shimel- OLSHA

Kristin Crusty- OCHD

Carole Welsh- OCHD

J. Kalli Fortune-Ball- Henry Ford Health

Heather Trajkovski- OCHD

Cynthia Taueq- SEMPQIC

Anna Jessup- OCHN

Danielle Kelley- OLSHA

Koren Ramsey-OLHSA

Adrienne Frogner-Howell-OCHD

Courtney Kane- OCHD  
Brooke Songer- OCHD  
Holly Grove- OCHD  
Michelle Allread- OCHD  
Marybeth Reader- OCHD  
Kasily Baylis- OCHD  
Stephaine Esters- Priority Health  
Megan Knaus- Honor Community Health  
Kristin Garska- OCHD  
Sue Martinez- OCHD  
Jane Kessuel- OCHD  
Carol H. Robertson- Trinity Health Oakland  
Frankie Doughs- Health Department  
Deborah Polito-OCHD  
Angela Varela- OCHD  
Anne Ronk- OCHD  
Julie Traicoff- OCHD  
Kenya Halalsi- OLHSA  
Lisa Bauer- OCHD  
Bria Tucker- OCHD  
Elizabeth Miller- OCHD  
Danielle White- OCHD  
Tammie Liford- OCHD  
Sekrette Burbank- OFS-PAT  
Micah Eans- OFS-PRISM  
Andrea Agboka- OCHD  
Stetawe Jackson- WCDHHVS  
Khalia Hill- OCHD  
Leigh Cole- OCHD  
Gabrielle Hayes- Roses in the Rough  
Jacqui Antanasis- Roses in the Rough  
Erin Freeland- Roses in the Rough  
Shawni- Roses in the Rough  
Jennifer Floyd- OCHD  
Amanda Glaze- WCD  
Celica Lasanda- WCD  
JG Moner- COD  
Jay Malone- COD  
Susan Gough  
Carla Rossman- OCHD