



MARATHON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH AGENDA

Date & Time of Meeting: **April 14, 2026 at 8:30 a.m.**

Meeting Location: **Marathon County Health Department, Monona & Dubay Rooms, 1000 Lake View Drive, Wausau WI**

Committees Members: Tara Draeger, Helen Luce, Stacey Morache, Jennifer Aarrestad, Yee Leng Xiong, Ann Lemmer, Kelly Sinkler, John Kroll

Marathon County Mission Statement: *Marathon County Government serves people by leading, coordinating, and providing county, regional, and statewide initiatives. It directly or in cooperation with other public and private partners provides services and creates opportunities that make Marathon County and the surrounding area a preferred place to live, work, visit, and do business. (Last updated: 12-20-05)*

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1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment (15 Minutes)** *(Any person who wishes to address the Board of Health during the "Public Comment" portion of meetings, must provide his or her name, address, and the topic he or she wishes to present to the Marathon County Clerk, acting secretary of the meeting, or chair of the committee, no later than five minutes before the start of the meeting. Public comments are limited to those germane to the jurisdiction of the Board of Health. Commenters must announce their name and municipality prior to commenting and must direct their comments to the Board of Health Chairperson. All commenters shall refrain from personal attacks; avoid directing comments to individual members; refrain from profane, abusive, threatening, or offensive comments; and maintain a respectful tone. The chairperson may limit or end a particular comment, or the period of public comment as a whole, if commenters do not maintain decorum. Comments must be confined to 3 minutes per speaker.)*
4. **Approval of the February 10, 2026, Board of Health Meeting Minutes**
5. **Policy Recommendations to County Administrator (for Discussion and Possible Action)**
 - A. None
6. **Policy Recommendations to Health and Human Services Committee (for Discussion and Possible Action)**
 - A. None
7. **Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**
 - A. Public Health Coordinator – Homelessness Response Position Update – Welcome Meagan Barnett!
 - B. Follow-up on Heat Emergency Response Plan
 - C. Follow-up on Gambling Disorder conversation
 - State conversations include discussions at Policy/Advocacy Committee of WPHA
 - “APHA advocates for a public health approach to sports betting regulation and has pursued legal and advocacy efforts to address the harms associated with the industry. While the APHA does not have a single, specific "policy" as a regulatory body would, it actively supports legislative efforts like the SAFE Bet Act, which aims to establish federal standards for the sports betting industry”
 - Additional resources Local Health Officers shared:
 - <https://www.harvardmagazine.com/2025/03/harvard-research-gambling-public-health-crisis>
 - <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disease/gambling-disorder.htm>
 - Marathon County related activities
 - D. Community Health Improvement team update and emerging topics
 - Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs update
 - E. Upcoming Events: (1) 140 Review Invitation: April 21, 2026; 12:30-3:30. (2) mental health month events in May (3) LIFE announcement in May
 - F. Stories and data from the CHIP - moved to June agenda
8. **Next Meeting Date & Time, Location, Announcements and Future Agenda Items:**

A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion.

B. Next Board of Health Meeting: June 9, 2026 at 8:30 am

9. Adjournment

**Any person planning to attend this meeting who needs some type of special accommodation in order to participate should call the County Clerk's Office at 261-1500 or e-mail countyclerk@co.marathon.wi.us one business day before the meeting*

SIGNED: _____

Presiding Officer or Designee

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