The Community Health Resource Commission (CHRC) provided funding to all local health department's last year with the aim of assisting LHICs to build the local support, capacity and infrastructure necessary to advance diabetes prevention and management initiatives, and other population health improvements.

A key proponent of this funding included creating a well-defined LHIC structure through a charter or bylaws stating the LHIC's purpose, scope of work, meeting schedules and rules of engagement.

A draft of these bylaws have been created and we are looking for LHIC members to comment or provide suggestions before APRIL 30th, 2021.

You can view the draft [here](#).

Please send all comments to ronya.nassar@maryland.gov.

*Please note that these bylaws do not replace the ones created for the MHAAC.*

Upcoming Events and Meetings

**MHAAC | LHIC | OIT virtual meeting - Tuesday, May 25th, 2021 from 8:00 to 10:00am via Google Meets.**

If you would like to attend these meetings or need the Google Meets information please email Christina Claypool (Christina.Claypool@maryland.gov)

**Publications of Interest**

[Are COVID-19 vaccines safe in pregnancy?](#)
How to prevent side effects of social media use (SMU)? Relationship between daily stress, online social support, physical activity and addictive tendencies – A longitudinal approach before and during the first Covid-19 lockdown in Germany
Source: Elsevier B.V. Journal of Affective Disorders Reports

Strengthening Social and Economic, Medical, and Public Health Systems Before Disasters Strike
Source: American Journal of Public Health (AJPH)

Contact Ronya Nassar at ronya.nassar@maryland.gov with questions, comments, or to be added to the LHIC email list.

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