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Health Commissioners Monthly Report for March 2016 Submitted by Trish Factor

Funding

Contracts for services provided by our department are being reviewed.

Website

The vendor was not able to fully recover our website. Staff worked diligently to get all pages current and attempting to verify that current information is and/ or is able to be placed on our website.

Administrative

Continued work on administrative policies and procedures is being done.

Training/ Conferences PERRC March 21-24, 2016

Preparedness

Work has been done in order to complete an Emergency Operations Plan for the GCHD. See attached.

Internet Services to Local Health Departments

Based on rates determined by the state department of health it was found that maintaining our current @odh.ohio.gov email addresses would cost our department (at minimum) \$1,543.68 per year. It was also determined that remaining on the ODH provided fiber optic internet connection would cost our department (at minimum) \$13,776 per year. These figures are far out of our budget. Therefore we will be looking into alternatives for email and internet services. *The state will begin charging for these services effective 7/1/2016.

Due to these costs, our office has been diligently looking at alternative internet and email options.