

Linn, Benton, Lincoln Partners for Health (Partners for Health)
Virtual through Zoom
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
January 13, 2026
Meeting Summary

Participants: Luis Acosta, Jeannie Davis, Ed.D., Misha Mayers, Sommer McLeish, Jolynn Meza Wynkoop, Tasha Mosbrucker, Nike Neuenheim, Jesse Noble, Shannon Rose, Traci Sackett, Sheila Thompson, and Mary Zelinka

Georgia Health Policy Center: Coleman Tanner, Kelsey Duff, and Aliza Petiwala

Welcome:

Dr. Jeannie Davis welcomed everyone to the meeting and led introductions.

Meeting Minutes:

The committee reviewed the minutes from the December 9, 2025, meeting of Linn, Benton, Lincoln Partners for Health Coalition. **Shannon Rose moved to approve the December 9, 2025, with Mary Zelinka seconding. Members present unanimously approved the motion.**

Behavior Over Time Presentation:

Presented by Coleman Tanner

See slides following the minutes.

Key takeaways:

- System behavior reveals itself in patterns of behavior over time.
 - Data trends reflect system behavior. Sketched trends reflect our mental models of system behavior.
 - Always look at trends versus points in time.
- Sketched Trends
 - Explicit knowledge is easy to verbalize and share, it uses quantitative data and scientific research.
 - Implicit knowledge is harder to verbalize. It is often learned through experience and shared through interaction.
 - Sketched trends help people to share their own knowledge and mental model about system behavior and establish shared understanding.

Behavior Over Time Activity:

Breakout rooms:

- Child abuse, domestic violence and human trafficking. Individuals could self-select into the breakout room of their choosing. Each room had about 4-5 participants.
- Conversations took place to address how we view trends in child abuse, domestic violence and human trafficking. There were no right or wrong ways in how we constructed our own trend lines, as we all brought our own lenses to how we view child abuse, domestic violence and human trafficking.

Main session:

- Domestic violence group mentioned they noted that Covid-19 brought on isolation, and they included that on their trend lines. The group also mentioned that they would want to

have trends and perspectives from law enforcement. Does law enforcement see varying trends in different seasons?

- Some individuals noted that they liked to hear about other people's opinions and perspectives.
- Human trafficking group shared that they believed there was an increase in human trafficking in the late 90's and early 2000's and they all predicted a downward trend in human trafficking towards 2030. There were some perspectives on how human trafficking affects laborers, adults and children. They also shared that social media/video gaming play a large role in human trafficking but that it can also occur within family systems and close to home.
- Child abuse group shared one perspective that had hoped that stigma could be removed surrounding the choice to not have children. There were conversations surrounding this topic and people were curious if not having children could directly lead to less child abuse cases. They shared that it would be great to have the perspective of the Department of Human Services (DHS). Another idea would be to see child abuse trend lines related to different subpopulations of people broken down by ethnicity, race, culture, etc.
- What is the public health information that is being sent out to people? Is it helpful or harmful?
 - Programs try to help but sometimes there are unintended consequences. These can try to be mitigated but that doesn't always work.
- Conclusion: pull in the partners who are missing from the group in order to have a more comprehensive view on what is going on at the community level in each of these topic areas.

Announcements

Dr. Davis said that the Boys and Girls Club will not do catering, so we will have to take care of that. Dr. Davis will follow up with Sommer McLeish.

Next Meeting

February 10, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.

Adjourn:

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jolynn Meza Wynkoop
Grants and Sponsored Programs

(These meeting minutes are the true and accurate record of the meeting.)