Public Health Act Advisory Group
February 4, 2010 Meeting Notes

Present: Chris Urbina, Bonnie Koehler, Deb Crook, Alyson Shupe, Jeff Zayach, Stacy Weinberg, Jeff Lawrence, Lee Thielen, Jim Rada, Chris Lindley, Martha Rudolph, Lisa Miller, Ned Calonge, Jillian Jacobellis, Karen Trierweiler, Mark Salley, Jeff Stoll, Mark Johnson, Jackie Brown, Tim Byers, John Crostwait. Also present: Kathleen Matthews, Jill Hunsaker Ryan, Tsering Dorjee, Corrina Lucero, Guests: Elaine Borton

Absent: Glenn Schlabs, Chris Wiant, Gini Pingenot, Karin McGowan, Karen DeLeeuw

Welcome new members: John Crostwait, District Public Health Administrator, Northeast Colorado Health Department and Karen DeLeeuw, MSW, Center Director, CHLCDP, Prevention Services.

County Rankings: On Feb 8th a password-protected site will be set up for state and locals to see a summary of the rankings. Rankings should not be shared with the media until the official release on Feb 17th. CDPHE will not submit a press release but will send out messaging to local agencies prior to the rankings release. Alyson Shupe will assist counties with any questions related to the data.

ASTHO Technical Assistance: The office has applied for technical assistance with ASTHO that will be available through the end of May. The request is for assistance with developing the assessment/planning system that will also align with accreditation expectations.

Survey Report: Preliminary results of the survey on local assessment and planning needs were presented. The office will continue to seek responses from all agencies.

Advisory Group Discussion on Roles and Responsibilities: The group agreed that their role should continue to give vision and direction to the plan and Act. As such, the name of the group will change to reflect public health improvement. They will have an active role in keeping up the momentum and acting as ambassadors. It is a shared responsibility of the group and OPP to meet and report on the deliverables of both the plan and the act. As the leading face of Colorado's public health system, they will hold themselves accountable for the successes or failures. (See attached draft chare for review)

Recruitment strategies for forming workgroups and taskforces: See attached guidance.
Each group will have an open recruitment that should include local and state, big and small counties/agencies, rural and urban, upcoming public health professionals and experts in the given area. Expectations, deliverables, and criteria for each group should be announced at time of recruitment. The groups will be expected to report progress and gather input from the steering committee, their colleagues and other established advisory groups as appropriate. Members discussed making sure we use existing advisory groups for input and try to avoid redundancy with groups if possible.

Two updates on recommendations under PH Roles, Relationships and Communications:
-The organizations are meeting to discuss future plans on reorganizing and communications between the groups.
-SALBOH: Jeannie Nicholson is leading the effort to form a Colorado branch of the National Association of Local Boards of Health will begin forming in the coming months.

Next meeting: Thursday, March 11th, 12:00-2:00 CDPHE, Bldg C, Room C1C
(note exception to first Thursday due to PHDoC's strategic planning meeting)