

Public Health Improvement Steering Committee

October 7, 2010 Meeting Notes

Present: Jackie Brown, Deb Crook, John Crosthwait, Jillian Jacobellis, Karin McGowan, Martha Rudolph, Alyson Shupe, Karen Trierweiler, Chris Urbina, Lisa VanRaemdonck, Stacy Weinberg

Staff present: Kathy Brown, Tsering Dorjee, Kathleen Matthews, Jill Hunsaker Ryan, Corrina Lucero, Bryan Storey

Guests: Roz Bedell, Elaine Borton, Dana Erpelding, Kolette Jones, Stephanie Martz, Bob O'Doherty, Deb Polk

Absent: Tim Byers, Bonnie Koehler, Chris Lindley, Karen DeLeeuw, Mark Johnson, Jeff Lawrence, Lisa Miller, Gini Pingnot, Jim Rada, Mark Salley, Glenn Schlabs, Jeff Stoll, Chris Wiant, Jeff Zayach

Lisa Miller, interim CDPHE Medical Officer, will co-chair with Chris Urbina, Denver Public Health Director.

Grants Administration Task Force:

The Streamliners Update – Deb Polk, CDPHE and Stephanie Martz, Boulder County Public Health:

- The contract processing began last year by gathering information from all contract officers within the department. A process was developed and formed a focused internal group to pilot. In addition, COPHAD reviewed the draft and has continued to give ongoing feedback from a local perspective. When the Streamliners formed the contracting process was presented to the group for further input. The contract process major improvements are consistent messaging and clearer instructions. Time has been spent on training CDPHE staff for the October 1st implementation.
- The sub-group piloted Google Groups to communicate funding opportunity announcements from CDPHE to locals and concluded agreement on the format and technology. Next, the group will organize how and who will coordinate postings.

Team Invoice Update – Kolette Jones, Pueblo City County Health Department, and Karen Trierweiler, CDPHE: The team has drafted a sample invoice and is working on supporting documentation that would go along with invoices that programs request. A survey was sent out to CDPHE CFOs asking why invoice requests are needed. The group will follow up the survey with key informant interviews to gather in-depth information. The process has surfaced the need to re-evaluate fiscal and procurement policies and expectations within the department.

Healthy People 2020 – Jill Hunsaker Ryan attended the Healthy People in DC meeting at the end of September. Updates were made on 2010 targets thus far and 2020 methodology shift. The 2020 tools will include online reports, integrated health indicator warehouse, evidence-based, and best practices for meeting targets. Healthy People 2020 will include 580 objectives with 42 topic areas including 10 new areas. In effort to stay connected with the federal process, suggestions have been made to communicate by holding brown bags at CDPHE, coordinating Colorado School of Public Health seminars, updating during regional local public health meetings, and institutionalize in the Colorado Health Assessment and Planning System. More discussions will be had around how Colorado will use the Healthy People 2020 report and resources.

CDC Grant – The Office of Planning and Partnerships was awarded \$300,000 for five years. The grant calls for Quality Improvement Manager and baseline capacity assessment data. Hiring for the QI Manager is in process.

Public Health Improvement Steering Committee

October 7, 2010 Meeting Notes

Public Health Indicators Task Force: The task force has undergone first round of determining determinants of health indicators. They are currently working on indicator selection for the risk factor section and will begin determining the population outcome indicators later this month and into November. The group is slated to bring proposed indicator list to the December or January steering committee meeting.

Assessment and Planning Task Force: The group met on September 30th and received comments on the drafted prioritization guidance and tool. The office would like to start piloting the tools with the local public health agencies in the first round of Preventive Block Grant funding.

Workforce Development: The Colorado School of Public Health received a 5-year grant. The funding will center on a systems training assessment, an evaluation center, immediate training and technical assistance on policy, cultural competency, evidence based practice. The school is in the early planning phase of the grant and will be working with AHEC, RIHEL, and CALPHO to carry out the goals.

Communications: During the meeting the committee discussed having a formal communication plan to convey all the successes that are occurring around COPHIP recommendations. The suggestion came up that the new Quality Improvement Manager could take on this new task as a way of learning all the processes and progress.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 4th , 12:00-2:00 CDPHE, Bldg C1A, Room