

**Notes, SCC EC conference call
12/29/08, 9-10am**

In attendance: Shawn, Joanne, Mark

We planned for the SCC conference call on 1/9/08 from 10-11:30AM. Joanne offered to facilitate the call on 1/9. We will take a roll call that Joanne will use to call on individual members to assure broadest participation in the discussion. Mark created a draft agenda based on our discussion (see next page).

Membership discussion:

- Some changes were suggested for section 5B. of the PH legislation, which describes SCC membership. See attached.
- We need to send out a bulleted list describing SCC membership to the full membership prior to the conf. call. Mark created a draft (page 3 below).
- The membership discussion should take no more than 15 minutes and focus on creating a membership committee, and identifying the timeline for new members

Legislation:

- A legislative timeline and some talking points should be developed and sent out in advance of the 1/9 call. We should have points geared toward different audiences: legislators, gen. public, HMPs, DCCs, etc.
 - Some that came up during the call include the following:
 - Discuss creating an “integrated system” instead of using the term “public health infrastructure.”
 - The wellness initiative creates a bridge linking public health and clinical care.
 - (Concerning HMPs) this is legislation that lays out broad public policy. It’s not an RFP. We have time to integrate the wellness initiative into our funded activities.
 - (Concerning HMPs) The wellness initiative provides coalitions with something concrete to the offer social service and other provider-type agencies with whom we work.
 - Concerning the universal wellness initiative:
 - ***Can Trish be on the call?*** It will be important for Dora and Trish to describe this to the SCC so members understand why this is important, relevant, and fits in with PH activities given the current legislative and economic climate.
 - We need to describe the timeline and what kind of input we have.
 - Should address, briefly, how we’ll work with HMPs to shift their work plan and build capacity
 - Becca should mention that the HMP Leadership council will discuss how work is shifted and capacity is built (Mark can check in with Becca).

We need one more SCC EC check in before 1/9, if possible. Mark/Michelle will create a doodle for a 30 minute call.

Draft Agenda for the 1/9 call:

10:00 to 10:05 welcome, roll call

10:05 to 10:20 membership discussion, including rough timeline so potential SCC members can be identified prior to the March SCC meeting

10:20 to 10:35 overview of legislation and wellness initiative (Dora and Trish)

10:35 to 11:10

Clarifying questions about content

Comments, questions, recommendations

11:10 to 11:25 talking points

11:25 to 11:30 timeline/next steps for membership and legislation, close meeting

Next steps include:

- People interested in serving on the membership committee should email Michelle.
- What are next steps for finalizing talking points?
- Reminder of March meeting.

Summary of SCC Membership with notes

- The director of the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, in collaboration with the SCC Co-Chairs, shall convene a membership committee.
- The membership committee will appoint the members of the SCC, except for the 4 Legislative-appointed members and 4 state agency members.
- Each District Coordinating Council for Public Health will nominate at least two members for the SCC. One nominee from each DCC will be selected to represent their DCC on the SCC.
- The membership committee may appoint other persons to serve on the Council in addition to those appointed from DCC nominees. These include at least one member who is a recognized content expert in each of the essential public health services and persons who represent populations in Maine facing health disparities (these roles may be filled by the 8 DCC representatives as well)
- A member of the Advisory Council on Health Systems Development will be appointed.
- The membership committee shall appoint a minimum of 12 and a maximum of 26 members. (4 members from Legislature, and 4 from State Government – Membership Committee appoints the other 12-26 possible members)
- The President of the Senate, the Senate Minority Leader, the Speaker of the House, and the House Minority Leader shall each appoint a legislator member to the SCC, for a total of four legislative members.
- The Director of the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention or designee shall serve as a member.
- The Commissioner of the Department of Health and Human Services shall appoint an expert from the department in behavioral health to serve as a member.
- The Commissioner of the Department of Education shall appoint a health expert from the Department of Education to serve as a member.
- The Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection shall appoint an environmental health expert from the Department of Environmental Protection to serve as a member.
- The term of office of each member is 3 years, except that of the members first chosen by the membership committee, one-third shall be chosen for a term of 1 year, one-third shall be chosen for a term of 2 years, and one-third shall be chosen for a term of 3 years. (the Membership Committee will recommend a plan for the initial staggered terms)
- All vacancies must be filled for the balance of the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment. Legislators serve during the term for which they were elected.