

SPF SIG Monthly Summary July 2007

Workgroups:

- The *Executive Management Team*:
 - Update about the SPF SIG National Meeting presentations by ME OSA and Hornby Zeller
 - USM update on research proposals: Young adults not in school and Senior citizens
 - NECAPT is ready to come to Maine to look at a plan for workforce development
 - Epidemiologist or Research Analyst position has not been filled. Brainstormed ideas on what to do; contract in the interim until a person is found.
 - Team reviewed the strategy approval packet for grantees
 - Discussion about linking HMP and SPF SIG evaluations.
- The *Strategies for Healthy Youth Workgroup*: Did not meet this month
- The *State Epidemiology Workgroup*:
 - HEAPP continues working to resolve security issues with the college survey and anticipates a roll out in the fall.
 - Integrated youth survey committee continues to redesign the survey to try and get the best data possible at levels useful for the state and communities. Survey questions will be posted online for feed back.
 - Alice Rohman from the Maine CDC Vital Statistics presented about mortality data; how it is collected, processed and requested.
 - Hornby Zeller presented the SPF SIG evaluation plan to WESTAT and led a discussion about the measures for intervening variables.

Other Items:

- HMP/OSA Coordinating Committee and Adhoc Groups
 - Representatives from Maine CDC, DOE, and OSA met several times on coordination of braided RFP, contracting process, planning training requirements, assigning project officers, grantee accountability, contract negotiations process.
- KIT PCW
 - Representation from Maine CDC, OSA, & MCPH worked on customization of KIT prevention system to meet the needs of the new grants.
- Integrated Core Injury Prevention and Control committee
 - Met with Maine CDC, Maine Poison Control Center, and USM, Muskie School of Public Service Meeting to continue planning on the Prescription Drug Poison Control Symposium
- Cross-Site Evaluation
 - SPF SIG staff and evaluators met with a Maya Tech representative to discuss Maine specific issues of reporting on the Community Level

Instrument. The meeting was followed up with a phone conference with Maya Tech, WESTAT and Hornby Zeller.

- SPF SIG National Grantees Meeting
- Two SPF SIG staff and 1 staff person from Hornby Zeller attended the National Grantees Meeting in Bethesda, MD. The Maine SPF SIG Coordinator presented workshops on environmental strategies and the evidence-based guidance document created by Maine and the Evaluator from Hornby Zeller presented workshops on the challenges of evaluating SPF at the state and local levels and the intervening variables workgroup work to date
- HMP RFP Process
 - Notices of awards have been sent to community coalitions and the contracting process has begun.