

# Statewide Coordinating Council for Public Health District Coordinating Council Update

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## **District:** Aroostook District

Date: March 13, 2012

Brief review of decisions and outcomes from Executive Committee and DCC meetings held since last SCC meeting. For agendas and copies of minutes, please see district's website at: <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/olph/lphd/index.shtml">http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/olph/lphd/index.shtml</a>

### Ongoing or upcoming projects or priority issues:

- Continue to research statistics / issues / barriers for disparate populations as identified in the LPHSA in Aroostook County
- Refine and populate the inventory of Overweight/Obesity projects, initiatives, programs, activities and the partners who provide those services in the Aroostook District
- Continue recruitment efforts for school leadership member representation

#### **Upcoming Aroostook DCC dates of interest:**

DCC Meeting 6/12/12 9:00-12:00 9/11/12

Steering Committee 4/17/12 10:00-11:00 5/29/12

7/	10/	12

Tobacco Prevention Peer Helper Training4/2/12 DHHS Building CaribouConnect 5-2-1-0 Conference4/11/12 Crow's Nest Presque IsleBasic Tobacco Treatment Training4/13/12 Hampton Inn Presque Isle

Progress with District Public Health Improvement Plan:

- Activities planned for completion during the quarter *Continue to research funding opportunities to move district public health priorities along, particularly where gaps or disparities have been identified.*
- Whether activities were able to be completed on schedule "Go KITS" developed by Aroostook EMA and distributed to 29 local EMA Coordinators in municipalities throughout the District.
- Successes achieved Application and letter of support for New Freedom Transportation Grant submitted by DCC Partner, Aroostook Regional Transportation System, Inc.
- Barriers encountered None, other than those previously mentioned.

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- Activities planned for completion during the quarter: *The Fiscal Lead has worked with the CTG Oversight Committee to draft a job description. A recruitment ad was locally placed with a close date of 3/17/12. A representative of the fiscal lead and a representative of the DCC will co-interview applicants.*
- Whether activities were able to be completed on schedule: *All required documents and activities submitted by deadline.*
- Successes achieved- 'Recess Rocks!' presenters are travelling to Aroostook County to share their physical activity at school program at the regional 5-2-1-0 Let's Go! Connect Meeting scheduled for April 11, 2012 in Presque Isle. Potential opportunities to visit a school while they are present are being explored as well.
- Barriers encountered *Identifying participants for CTG training in May due to travel time and expense.*

Structural and Operational changes, including updates in membership.

None this quarter

In-district or multi-district collaborations:

Continued work with Multi-District Obesity Prevention Committee

Other topics of interest for SCC members:

\* Michelle Mitchell facilitated a work session with the DCC to identify what worked well / what didn't work with the recent CTG application process in order to determine how to best work with districts regarding future funding opportunities.

\* Andrew Finch provided an update to the full DCC membership about State-level oversight and guidance of the CTG initiative.

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