

## Statewide Coordinating Council for Public Health District Coordinating Council Update

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### **District:** York

Date: March 22, 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: http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/olph/lphd/index.shtml

Two Executive Committee (EC) meetings and one quarterly meeting of the full York District Public Health Council (YDPHC) were held since the last SCC meeting. The quarterly York District Public Health Council meeting convened on February 8, 2012 and featured an overview of and updates on the Community Transformation Grant (CTG), updates from the District Public Health Improvement Plan (DPHIP) workgroups, and a special presentation on Colorectal Cancer prevention grant work in York County. Please see the attached agenda.

The EC meeting on January 11, 2012 focused primarily on recruitment efforts for the CTG Coordinator, outlining and developing the CTG inventory and selecting CTG priority objectives for York District. The March 7, 2012 EC meeting also focused on CTG, related to the hiring process for a CTG Coordinator, revisiting and planning for the upcoming CTG deliverables and deadlines. Plans were also discussed for the April 4, 2012 full Council meeting where Coastal health Communities Coalition will host a Healthy Homes Forum for York District LHOs and YDPHC members in lieu of a regular business meeting.

#### Ongoing or upcoming projects or priority issues:

- Continued Recruitment of faith-based, business and private sector membership
- Implementation of the Community Transformation Grant Initiative
- DPHIP alignment with CTG activities
- Reenergizing DPHIP Focus Work groups
- Continued development of the Council's strategic work plan
- Revisiting & Strengthening the Council's Governance & Structure

### Progress with District Public Health Improvement Plan:

- Activities planned for completion during the quarter: All three DPHIP focus areas work groups continue to meet to guide the work outlined in the DPHIP's focus areas work plans. The Obesity Workgroup have meet once during this quarter.
- Considering there are no new or additional resources available to do this DPHIP work, work group

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leaders have kept the momentum going and have judiciously delegated tasks to partners and participating community members. Workgroup leaders have been successful in obtaining resources an support from community partners and local business. The District Liaison makes every effort to attend all workgroup sessions to offer guidance and support. At present the Obesity and Immunization Workgroups are on schedule and the Access workgroup is in the process of reconvening.

• Successes achieved

**Obesity Workgroup** have worked with community members and to revisit and update their plans and logic model activities in alignment with CTG activities for the upcoming year. The **Access work group** is in the process of expanding membership and scheduling a meeting for this quarter.

• Barriers encountered-Time & resources

### Progress with Community Transformation Grant:

- Activities planned for completion during the quarter Hiring of CTG Coordinator, development of CTG comprehensive work plan for Year 1; developing a financial report for 3/29.
- Whether activities were able to be completed on schedule CTG activities are being completed on schedule
- Successes achieved Additional CTG partners identified; York enjoins a cohesive and collaborative approach for CTG among stakeholders and partners
- Barriers encountered Time limits on YDPHC and CTG leadership; Getting appropriate partners on the CTG oversight committee

## Structural and Operational changes, including updates in membership.

None noted

### In-district or multi-district collaborations:

York & Cumberland Districts continue to collaborate on several projects. YDPHC members who also serve as members of the Cumberland District Council provide linkages between district efforts to streamline our work and identify additional opportunities where both DCCs can collaborate. York is working with Aroostook and Penquis Districts on a multidistrict obesity effort.

Other topics of interest for SCC members:

Discerning potential public health forums for YDPHC to host.

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