Statewide Coordinating Council for Public Health
District Coordinating Council Update

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District: Central	**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 At the January 24 meeting, we invited Dawn Littlefield to discuss the Community Transformation Grant (CTG) purpose and expected outcomes, added to our inventory of related activities/resources, and drafted a preliminary engagement strategy.

Ongoing or upcoming projects or priority issues: Community Transformation Grant workplan and contract; implementation of 2011 District Public Health Improvement Plan (see below); April DCC meeting

Progress with District Public Health Improvement Plan: *Activities planned for completion during the quarter & whether activities were able to be completed on schedule*

- Develop EPHS #7 Workgroup work plan and work commitments – the Workgroup has met, but a work plan is not developed yet.
- Develop EPHS #3 Workgroup work plan and work commitments – the Workgroup has developed a work plan for quarterly coordinated district messages, and completed the first two messages.
- Develop & implement medication management messaging campaign encouraging patient engagement in their own care – we've developed a needs list, and are trying to find resources.
- Use Central District Public Health Unit Updates and DCC website to communicate important information to DCC, LHOs, & partners – ongoing task with updates going out weekly as needed.
- Conduct 1-2 LHO certification & training programs in 2011 – done; another planned for spring
- Establish & implement DCC Vaccination Work Group & communication network – ongoing
- Provide Input for State Health Plan & HealthyMaine 2020 – nothing to report this quarter

Successes achieved

- Second EPHS #3 Workgroup coordinated messaging campaign, 'Healthy Winter Walking' developed and delivered

Barriers encountered

- Staff and volunteer resources to focus on DPHIP plan implementation and workgroup support

Progress with Community Transformation Grant: *Activities planned for completion during the quarter & whether activities were able to be completed on schedule*

- April 24 DCC meeting to discuss CTG with full DCC and choose CTG objectives to work on, update inventory, and draft preliminary engagement strategy
- March 27 Steering Committee meeting to draft staffing plan, work plan, and job description
- Participation in state CTG calls

Successes achieved

- Submitted CTG inventory, chose objectives, worked on engagement strategy, and finalized contract

Barriers encountered

- Resources to meet deadlines and keep up with start-up changes/new information without staff yet

Structural and Operational changes, including updates in membership. None this quarter.

In-district or multi-district collaborations: Oral Health Workgroup, Substance Abuse Workgroup, Prescription Monitoring Program collaboration, National Take-back Day April 28.

Other topics of interest for SCC members:
Steadily building participation in and awareness of the DCC has led to more interest in using the DCC to recruit partners and 'asks' to take on work as a district – a good success, but one that highlights our lack of champions, focus, and resources to complete work identified by the whole DCC in the DPHIP.

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