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# Statewide Coordinating Council for Public Health District Coordinating Council Update

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<b>District: <u>Mid-Coast</u></b>	<b>Date: 9/17/12</b>
<b>Brief review of decisions and outcomes from Executive Committee and DCC meetings held since last SCC meeting.</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Steering Committee discussed holding the DCC meeting at an alternative venue. The DHHS space has become too crowded and Rockland is too long a drive for partners in Sagadahoc County. Spaces nearer to the geographic center of the area are being reviewed.</li> </ul>	
<b>For agendas and copies of minutes, please see district's website at:</b>	
<a href="http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/olph/lphd/index.shtml">http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/olph/lphd/index.shtml</a>	
<b>Ongoing or upcoming projects or priority issues:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Fall Medication Drop-Off Day is scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup>, District partners are working together to publicize and enlist volunteers for the events. There will be at least one drop-off site in each County. Check EMA and HMP websites for locations.</li> <li>Mid-Coast Transportation Taskforce, Michelle Manley, Mobility Manager passed out "Riderfinder" information about public and private transportation resources at the DCC mtg.</li> <li>A Knox-Lincoln Mental Health initiative is ongoing and has received a \$1,500 mini-grant to recruit a new peer counselor.</li> <li>The Knox County FQHC planning project requested an extension of their grant until the end of the year. They are seeking additional members for workgroups and the governance committee.</li> <li></li> </ul>	
<b>Progress with District Public Health Improvement Plan:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DCC Directory/electronic communication platform pilot is ongoing. Feedback thus far is prompting changes to increase functionality and enhance user experience. There will be an update to DCC in November.</li> <li>District hospital health facility partners (from Waldo and Knox) and the DL attended the most recent Northeastern Maine RRC meeting. A Southern Maine RRC being planned and outreach is being done to partners in Lincoln and Sagadahoc Counties.</li> <li>The Healthy Maine Partnerships all completed their Community Health Improvement Plans and will each forward one objective to be considered in the next iteration of the District's Health Improvement Plan when it is discussed at the January Meeting.</li> <li>A November 13<sup>th</sup> Behavioral Health Forum is being planned in conjunction with the regular DCC meeting. There will be a panel presentation, a review of recommendations of the State Mental Health and Primary Care Integration Taskforce and the State Health Assessment Data.</li> </ul>	

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## Progress with Community Transformation Grant:

### Current Activities:

- ✓ CTIPS changes were made and accepted by the central office. These changes reflect an adjustment to the target numbers in order to meet grant requirements.
- ✓ Outreach to current and potential partners continued over the summer.
- ✓ The Midcoast Action Institute was held September 11th at the Samoset in Rockport. Held in conjunction with the regularly scheduled DCC mtg, attendance surpassed our expectations with 43 people participating.
- ✓ Summit participants signed up for District workgroups focused on Active Community Environments, Physical Activity and Nutrition in either Early Education or School settings.
- ✓ Information disseminated regarding evidence based programs, etc.

### Also of Note:

- The District joined a Multi-District application submitted by Maine Health seeking funding from the CTG “Small-Communities” opportunity. News regarding the award should come shortly.

CTG activities are on time with no significant to report.

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

- No changes to report.

## In-district or multi-district collaborations:

- Local Health Officer’s in Lincoln and Sagadahoc County received educational training on the Healthy Homes Initiative from Eric Frohberg, Division of Environmental Health MeCDC.

## Other topics of interest for SCC members:

- Maine Public Health Association’s fall conference is set for October 17th at the Augusta Civic Center titled *Community Connections: Building Creative Partnerships for the Health of All Mainers.*

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