Statewide Coordinating Council for Public Health
District Coordinating Council Update

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District: Penquis District	Date: March 28, 2013

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

A Presentation on Accountable Care organization was given by Jerry Whalen , EMHS
Purpose: To give an overview of how we are improving the healthcare delivery system– moving toward community based care

State Health Assessment
Nancy Birkhimer, Office of Performance Improvement Maine CDC
Purpose: To give an overview of the 2012 data indicators that the districts can use to choose new priorities or support the work of existing priorities.

Problem Gambling Presentation:
Christine Theriault, LMSW Behavioral Health Prevention Manager, Maine Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services

Unanimous Approval of DCC Bylaws, SCC Representative and Steering Committee Membership
The DCC voted to approve a new set of bylaws.
The DCC voted to approve the state of steering committee members at the March 15 meeting

Unanimous Approval of District Public Health Improvement Plan Priorities
Communication and Education
Poverty/ Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES)
Obesity/ Diabetes

Ongoing or upcoming projects or priority issues:

- Lyme Disease Forum
- District Public Health Improvement Plan revisions- Creating new or supporting existing work in the district
- Operationalizing DCC bylaws

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- Public Health HVA

Progress with District Public Health Improvement Plan:
Retirement of past objectives discussion:
There was a discussion around retirement of the **substance abuse and flu and pneumonia** work the DCC has conducted. Reasons included, other partners stepped up and did the work directly and are continuing efforts so the need for the DCC to continue the work as the lead would be limited.

New Priorities to add: (# of votes by participant)
Non-fatal child maltreatment (2)
Pertussis (2)
Rural Housing/ safety (1)
Communication and Education (16)
Lyme disease (5)
Concentration on Rural/ underserved areas (4)
Oral Health Access and Education (7)
Obesity/ Diabetes (12)
Access to care (9)
Substance Abuse (2)
Poverty/ Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) (15)

Top three considered draft priorities for the Penquis District:
Communication and Education (16)
Poverty/ Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) (15)
Obesity/ Diabetes (12)

Progress with Community Transformation Grant:
- Activities planned for completion during the quarter
  - Monthly meetings of the ACETs are being well attended; there will be a regional trail planning meeting in April that is being put on by the Bangor ACET
  - Two childcare trainings were held this quarter for the Penquis District Childcare sites who are participating in CTG
  - Wellness Expo is planned for Saturday March 30th at the Milo Elementary school
  - Working on getting together a food service director professional development day with Heidi Kessler, RD

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- Additional Childcare trainings will be ongoing bi-monthly for providers to receive contact hours

- Whether activities were able to be completed on schedule
  - All reporting and activities were completed on schedule regarding CTG efforts
- Successes achieved
  - Currently have 7 schools enrolled in the CTG process
  - Established a new ACE Team in Orono
  - Met with the PHNP advisory board and are exploring the possibility of an ACE in Lincoln
  - 39 Childcare sites enrolled; needed to have 32 sites enrolled by September 29 2013
- Barriers encountered
  - Schools are still somewhat difficult to engage; however as relationships become solidified, the ability to get in and work with schools has become a bit easier
- The 2nd Annual Action Institute is scheduled for April 25th & 26th in Auburn at the Hilton Garden Inn. We are trying to get some representatives from Penquis to attend.

Structural and Operational changes, including updates in membership.
The DCC voted to approve a new set of bylaws.
The DCC voted to approve the state of steering committee members at the March 15 meeting Kate Yerxa as Chair, Nicole Hammar as Co-Chair, members Jamie Comstock, Jane McGillicuddy, and Shirar Patterson.
The DCC voted to accept Robin Mayo as the SCC Rep term to begin July 1, 2013

In-district or multi-district collaborations:
- Community Transformation Grant

Other topics of interest for SCC members:
None at this time

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