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**Statewide Coordinating Council for Public Health
Draft Meeting Minutes of March 17th, 2022
Held Virtually on Zoom
9am - 11am**

Attendees:

Seat	Roll Call	Name	Organization	Representing
1	x	Betsy Kelly	Southern Maine Health Care	York District
2	x	Courtney Kennedy	Good Shepherd Food Bank	Cumberland District
3		Vacant		Western District
4	x	Melissa Fochesato	Mid Coast Hospital	MidCoast District
5	x	Denise Delorie	Mid Maine Substance Use Prevention	Central District
6	x	Patty Hamilton	Bangor Public Health Department	Penquis District
7	x	Maria Donahue	Healthy Acadia	Downeast District
8		Sue Bouchard	Fish River Rural Health	Aroostook District
9	x	James Markiewicz	Maine CDC	State Government
10		Vacant		Department of Health and Human Services
11	x	Emily Poland	Maine Department of Education	Department of Education
12		Kerri Malinowski	Department of Environmental Protection	Department of Environmental Protection
13	x	Dalit Gulak	Waynflete School	Essential Public Health Services
14	x	Heather Drake	Maine Public Health Association	Essential Public Health Services
15		Elisabeth Snell	University of Maine	Essential Public Health Services
16	x	Susan Kring	Maine Medical Association	Essential Public Health Services
17		Becky Bell	In Her Presence	Essential Public Health Services
18	x	Erika Ziller	USM	Essential Public Health Services
19	x	Sue Mackey-Andrews	Maine Highlands Investment Partnership	Essential Public Health Services
20		Joanne LeBrun	Tri County EMS	Essential Public Health Services
21	x	Abdulkerim Said	New Mainers Public Health Institute	Essential Public Health Services
22	x	Leona Alvarado	Tribal Liaison	Tribal District
23	x	Carol Zechman	MaineHealth	Essential Public Health Services

Attending: 16; Attending by Phone: 0; Zoom: 16; Planned Absent: 0; Absent: 5; Vacant Seat: 2 Total Council Makeup: 21
Total Voting Members Attending: 16 out of 21 = 76%. Simple majority is defined as quorum. Quorum Achieved

Interested Parties and Stakeholders:

Adam Hartwig	Maine CDC
Nancy Birkhimer	Maine CDC
Stacy Boucher	Maine CDC
Becca Boulos	MPHA
Emilee Caradonna	Maine CDC
Andrew Finch	Maine CDC
Jessica Fogg	Maine CDC
Maura Goss	Maine CDC
Valerie Jackson	MCD
Kristine Jenkins	Maine CDC
Christine Lyman	MidCoast DCC
Al May	Maine CDC
Jo Morrissey	Maine CDC
Jamie Paul	Maine CDC
Meghan Richards	Maine CDC
Kelsey Robinson	MCD
Paula Thomson	Maine CDC
Lisa Tuttle	MCD
Drexell White	Maine CDC
Ian Yaffe	Maine CDC

Meeting Minutes

MEETING NOTES		
Agenda:	Discussion:	Actions/Resources:
Welcome and introductions: James Markiewicz	James, Maine CDC, greeted the group, shared the purpose and mission of the SCC meetings, and gave an overview of today’s agenda.	https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/public-health-systems/scc/index.shtml
Council Business --Approve 12/16/2021 minutes --Call for SCC Chair	Patty H. motioned to approve the minutes with an adjustment to one item and was seconded by Sue M.A. Meeting minutes from the 12/16/2021 SCC meeting were approved with one item to edit. All in favor (11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain). Call for SCC Chair – Please consider approaching your fellow members to discuss nominating them to serve as Chair. Once you’ve approached a member and they have agreed to be put forward, please email James: james.markiewicz@maine.gov . Patty Hamilton is willing to share insight regarding the Chair position and may be reached at: patty.hamilton@bangormaine.gov	Reach out to James and/or Patty for nominations or questions about the SCC Chair position

<p>Maine CDC – Office of Population Health Equity Update, Ian Yaffe</p>	<p>Ian Yaffe, Director of the Office of Population Health Equity (OPHE), shared the department’s vision and goals. Highlighting the agency-wide approach, OPHE is building upon existing efforts to decrease the root causes of inequity with an emphasis on racial/ethnic and rural disparities.</p> <p>Maine received \$32.1 million in Federal grant funding: Approximately, \$3 million towards increase data and reporting needs, \$11 million towards infrastructure support, and \$18 million towards partner mobilization.</p> <p>Within this funding, Ian noted two future positions within the OPHE, as well as the increased trainings and professional development opportunities to come. The Local Public Health Systems Assessments (LPHSA) at the District level will help bring access to funds for future projects around infrastructure.</p> <p>Q&A: Members asked about inequities in our youth – and a discussion developed around youth-specific challenges and the MIYHS data: https://www.maine.gov/miyhs/ It was noted that there is a fair amount of data around our youth population, but that we have better measures for adults. https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/phdata/MaineCHNA/maine-interactive-health-data.shtml</p> <p>Discussion around the State Public Health Systems Assessment (SPHSA) as well as the Local Assessments (LPHSA) to be used to identify gaps in infrastructure and areas to support.</p> <p>Broad funding opportunities will be available through RFPs/RFAs: https://www.maine.gov/dafs/bbm/procurementservices/vendors/grants</p>	<p>https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/equity/index.shtml</p> <p>ian.yaffe@maine.gov</p>
<p>Preventive Health and Human Services (PHHS) Block Grant Business, Nancy Birkhimer</p>	<p>Nancy Birkhimer, Maine CDC, shared that the 2020 block grant funding ended September 30, 2021. Selected future projects are focused on community engagement, epidemiology capacity, accreditation, sexual assault prevention. The 2021 workplan has not been approved yet due to adjustments: a public hearing and an electronic vote will go out before the next meeting.</p> <p>**See slides for more details.</p>	<p>Link to 2021 Work Plan</p> <p>Nancy.birkhimer@maine.gov</p>
<p>State Public Health Systems Assessment (SPHSA) Update, Al May</p>	<p>Al May, Maine CDC, Downeast Public Health District Liaison, along with Lisa Tuttle and Valerie Jackson of Medical Care Development (MCD) shared an overview on the process and goals of the SPHSA as well as slides with examples of data collected.</p> <p>Al and Stacy Boucher, Maine CDC, Aroostook District Public Health District Liaison spearheaded the discussion around the process</p> <p>**See slides for more details.</p>	<p>Link to SPHSA Draft Data Review</p>

Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 11am. Next SCC meeting will be Thursday, June 16 th from 9am - 12pm.	

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Emilee C.