



Executive Team Meeting

May 15, 2015

9:00 to 11:00 am

Introductions

Announcement: Greg Norman discusses community needs assessment survey status. All area hospitals working together on community survey collection (DH, APD, NLH, VRH, MAH) Good response rate so far; still collecting. Available online and in paper copies.

Community Health Improvement Planning

Setting Targets for Priority Indicators

Alice, Greg, and Emma Hartswick met with Ben Chan (NH State Epidemiologist) to discuss a strategy for setting targets. Dr. Chan advised that setting targets, when there is no specific intervention in mind, is as much art as science and can be used to make a statement of value or priority.

The group discussed a number of the proposed targets, approved some, adjusted others, and referred some back to subject matter expert groups (such as SMP coalition).

Obesity Prevention Draft CHIP

Alice and Kristen Coats presented a first draft of a CHIP for Obesity Prevention. Background includes: overweight/obesity has declined by 30% statewide on the 3rd grade student health survey; state HEAL program focuses on safe activity, active transportation, and food insecurity.

Kristen shares that we have seen the most success in reducing childhood obesity with policy and practice changes in early childhood settings.

Group input:

- Look into summer youth feeding programs;
- Many child-focused environments have made significant changes, so maybe we need to really focus on adults (food access, physical activity, and the built environment);
- Look into culinary medicine movement being developed at DH (Auden McClure);
- In Grafton County, GCSCC's Meals and Wheels and Congregate Meals programs are significant sources of food security for seniors (provides 18% of congregate meals statewide and 23% of rides to grocery stores);
- Listen Community Dinners may not always be the most nutritious;
- Explore the "local foods" model that was pilot tested in Canaan;
- Look into Montshire Farms, cooperative CSA model in W. Lebanon.

Continuum of Care (Aurora Drew)

Aurora provided a handout graphic depicting the Continuum of Care. Aurora's task is 1) to increase PHC awareness of the CoC; and 2) get us ready to develop a strategic plan for CoC (after September). We are taking a consumer-focused approach to CoC.

Counseling on Access to Lethal Means (CALM) Training

Jim Esdon shared that CALM is generally targeted to healthcare providers, police, and mental health providers. The training, developed and provided by Elaine Frank, is 4 to 6 hours, but it can be tailored and scaled.

- Group wants to be able to include NAMI families;
- WCBH would likely send staff;
- Choose central locations;
- Police would want to participate but they need lead time to ensure coverage;
- May want to include school counselors and clergy.