

Public Health Council of the Upper Valley Partner Meeting: January 15, 2021

Attendees: (As captured from Chat Sign-In) Lauren Chambers, Alice Ely, Rudy Fedrizzi, Regina Downer, Holly Gaspar, Nenia Corcoran, Alice Eberhardt, Andrea Smith, Angie Raymond Leduc, Anne Sosin, Barbara Farnsworth, Bryan L'Heureux, Cameron Ford, Charles Wira, Chelsey Canavan, Chris Christopoulos, Cynthia Svensen, Dana Michalovic, David Moore, Donald Kollisch, Elena VanZandt, Elizabeth Craib, Elizabeth McShinsky, Ellen Thompson, Emily Zanleoni, Faye Grearson, Fern Wilder, Gregory Crowley, Havah Walther, Hilary Davis, James Esdon, Jeana Newbern, Joanne Sandberg-Cook, John Reid, Judith van Rhijn Jackson, Kathleen Vasconcelos, Kathy Barth, Katie Kobe, Kim Majeske, Kim Pruett-Ilg, Kyra Wood, Laurie Harding, Lindsey Boisvert, Liz Swanton, Margaret Caudill-Slosberg, Mark Boutwell, Mary Stevens, Meghan Butts, Michael Samson, Michele Merritt, Natalie Walsh, Nora Doyle-Burr, Peter Mason, Rebecca Ivatury, Regina Downer, Rita Severinghaus, Ruth Storey, Sharon Tribou-St. Martin, Stacey Chiochio, Stephanie Slayton, Susan Almy, Susan Reetz, Susan Wnuk, Taralyn Bielaski, Terrence Hyland, Tom Liveston, Wendi Germain, William Bellion, William Boyle, Jim Linville, Cynthia Griffin, Jane Consult, John Reid, Sue Fitch, Tom Cavin, Cindy Grigel

COVID-19 Vaccination Updates:

Rudy Fedrizzi, VT Department of Health–

- Governor of VT speaking today to share the roll out plan for vaccine, has not been shared yet with PH officials.
- <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19>– COVID info in VT, special portal for vaccines, go there for up to date info
- All districts will start the week of Jan 25th to have clinics on Mon & Thurs (by reservation/appt)
- Registration system not final yet but will include phone and web access.
- Communication tools will be shared.
- Clinics will be staffed with state and MRC volunteers – if interested in helping, become a MRC volunteer, <https://oncallforvt.org/wordpress/medical-reserve-corps/>

Nenia Corcoran, UV Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator–

- Things are changing rapidly and this is a very fluid situation. NH Governor made some changes yesterday (infographic with rollout plan). Purpose for tiers is to prevent death and hospitalizations.
- Wrapping up Phase 1a now, partnered with Walgreens & CVS to vaccinate those in LTC facilities, getting second doses soon. Hospitals handled their own employees. First responders and others used state run clinics set up in each of the 13 public health networks.
- Phase 1b will be age 65+
- Online registrations for vaccines will start Jan 26th via www.Vaccines.nh.gov; 211 will be able help people without online access.

Anne Sosin, Dartmouth College Center for Global Health Equity – **COVID-19 Vaccine Equity**

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See attached slides of presentation

Question and Answer period covered numerous questions about eligibility, timing, and vaccine availability. Also, numerous people encouraged both States and regional officials to take care in crafting and disseminating messaging about vaccines.

Announcements

Racial Equity Learning Challenge – starts next week, run for 4 weeks.

<https://www.nhbsr.org/nh-workplace-racial-equity-challenge>

The **CHaD Family Advisory Board** is interested in knowing if there are any parent-to-parent support/mentoring programs running locally (re: kids with medical concerns, rather than parenting skills) - if you know of any, please let me know at ruth.e.storey@hitchcock.org

New online pre-application for the **WIC program** – Flyer Attached

www.nhwic.com/preapplicationportal

Still providing remote services through WIC – very easy to sign up right now
Medicaid, TANF, SNAP, children in foster care – eligible

Next PHC Partner Meeting: Friday, March 19, 2021 – Via Zoom