

PUBLIC HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP

AUGUST 25, 2010 MEETING

PARTICIPANTS

<i>Co-Chairs</i>	Mary Selecky (DOH); Joe Lillard (Asotin)
<i>Staff</i>	Allene Mares, Simana Dimitrova, Jane Lee, Wanda Williams (DOH)
<i>Members</i>	Elaine Conley, Torney Smith (Spokane); Dennis Dennis, Gregg Grunenfelder, Susan Ramsey, Karen Jensen, (DOH); Dennis Wotshaw for David Fleming (Seattle-King); Janis Koch (Clark); Barry Kling (Chelan-Douglas); John Austin (SBOH); Patrick O'Carroll (DHHS, Region X); Debbie Riley (Mason); Rebecca Sullivan (LBOH)

MEETING NOTES

WELCOME

Mary Selecky, Joe Lillard

Mary Selecky and Joe Lillard welcomed all to the third partnership meeting and thanked all for participating in the meeting electronically. Mary reminded the workgroup of the importance of looking at the whole public health system, and how our actions now influence our future work.

OVERVIEW OF “RESHAPING GOVERNMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH” AND THE RESULTING AGENDA FOR CHANGE

Gregg Grunenfelder

Gregg Grunenfelder presented a summary of the work done by the Reshaping Public Health workgroup. The current economic downturn combined with health care reform provides an opportunity to rethink how we do public health in Washington; to look at the changing causes of premature death, and to refocus our efforts on effective prevention. The “Agenda for Change” has three goals:

1. Protect people from communicable diseases and other health threats through prevention, early detection, and swift responses.
2. Build communities that prevent illness and injury, promote healthy starts and ongoing wellness, and better provide all of us the opportunity for long, healthy lives.
3. Improve access to quality, affordable and integrated health care that incorporates routine clinical preventive services and is available in rural and urban communities alike.

This will be accomplished through:

1. New workforce skills and competencies
2. Prioritizing work and modifying business practices
3. Long-term predictable financing

Gregg described the extensive engagement plan and asked the Partnership to closely review the Agenda for Change document, share with staff and partners, and submit comments and suggestions.

To learn more about this effort, go to www.doh.wa.gov/PHSD/reshape.htm

PHIP ROLE TO COORDINATE IMPLEMENTATION AND ACTION

Barry Kling, Allene Mares

The Reshaping Public Health Workgroup recommended that the Partnership take coordinating role for the governmental public health system as the Agenda for Change is implemented. This recommendation was made because the PHIP has an established track record of working across the public health system to affect change. Overall, the discussion was supportive of PHIP taking the coordinating role for the Agenda of Change.

Decision: Joe Lillard made a motion (seconded by Torney Smith) for the PHIP to become the coordinating body to implement the “Agenda for Change” The partnership agreed unanimously, to taking oversight/coordinating role for the Agenda for Change.

Action: A work plan for how a new Reshaping Work group could actualize this work will be drafted along with a new work group charter.

It was also decided to use the “Agenda for Change” as the framework for the Public Health Improvement Plan which is due in late 2010.

REVIEW UPDATES

- Activities and Services (*Barry Kling and Gregg Grunenfelder*)
- Standards (*Torney Smith and Susan Ramsey*)
- Indicators (*Jane Lee for Lyndia Tye and Christie Spice*)

To view detailed workgroup updates, please go to www.doh.wa.gov/hip/doc/partner/mtg/10/aug3.pdf

NEXT STEPS

Allene Mares

Next meeting will be held in December, date TBA.