

PUBLIC HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP

STATE HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLAN (SHIP) PLANNING WORKGROUP

MAY 19, 2014 Meeting

PARTICIPANTS

Co-Chairs Torney Smith (Spokane); Jane Lee (DOH)

Members Present Janis Koch (Clark); Astrid Newell (Whatcom); David Solet, Marguerite Ro (Seattle-King); Marie Flake, Karen Jensen, Megan Davis, Pam Lovinger, Sue Grinnell, Simana Dimitrova (DOH)

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Torney Smith and Jane Lee, Co-Chairs

After brief introductions from all participants, the co-chairs opened the meeting.

COMMENTS ON UPDATED SCOPING DOCUMENT

Torney Smith, Co-Chair

Torney shared that the SHIP presentation at the most recent call with Local Health Agencies was well received. He then moved into the most current redraft of the State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP) scoping document and how it addresses sustaining successes, aligning with the vision of Secretary Weisman and adjusting how far upstream approach it takes. Torney urged the group to consider not only replicating the RWJ framework, but to claim ownership as well.

The SHIP should clearly spell out public health's role, but also the role of others as state health improvement goes beyond public health. As a state this work needs to be done collectively with as many partners as possible and beyond the existing traditional collaborations. The SHIP also must be clear as to why specific measures were selected and that these are consistent with other work.

SHIP PRIORITIES DISCUSSION

Astrid Newell, Whatcom County Health Department

There has been a lot of public health work around early childhood as of late. In regards to SHIP, the language must be more specific and it needs to hone in on what exactly needs to be done when addressing the health and well-being of our children. How can the SHIP guidance stay broad enough to engage communities yet be specific enough to guide individual public health interventions?

HOW DOES SHIP RELATE TO OTHER ONGOING WORK

Torney Smith and Jane Lee, Co-Chairs

Astrid talked about a major ongoing statewide effort—*Essentials for Childhood*—which explores the development of guidelines for nurturing environments for kids. The SHIP workgroup must pay close attention to their work and align with its outcomes. Unfortunately, strategies and measures for this work are not likely to be available within the SHIP timeframe, although it will be important to be in alignment as much as possible. It was suggested that to engage the broader community, a possible menu of interventions can be developed.

Torney invited Sue Grinnell to give an update on the work of the Public Health – Health Care Delivery System Partnership as it is the main effort that the SHIP will align with in developing guidance under Priority 3 - broadening health care to promote health outside the medical system.

NEXT STEPS

Jane Lee, Co-Chair

- Present SHIP effort and focus at June WSALPHO and PHIP meetings
- Next meeting is set for June 2nd, from 2 to 4 pm