

SHIP Environmental Health Working Group

2/2/2017

Agenda

- 2017 Action Team Process/Progress – Kristin Sullivan
- Finalizing 2016 Agenda – Andrea Boissevain/All
- Moving forward with 2017 Action Agenda – All
 - Air
 - Lead
 - Healthy Housing
- Next Steps/Next Meetings/Schedule

Attendees:

1. Krista Veneziano - CT DPH
2. Andrea Boissevain – Stratford HD
3. Judith Dicine – Div Criminal Justice, Office of the Chief State’s Attorney
4. Kristin Sullivan – CT DPH
5. Carolyn Wysocki – ECHO
6. Christine Hahn – CT DPH
7. Tasha Perreault – Eversource
8. Marie-Christine Bournaki – CT DPH (Asthma)
9. Ruth Canovi – American Lung Assoc of NE

Overview

Other 3 Action Teams are meeting...incorporate any major changes into action agendas. Hesitant, wanted to finish what they started.

Action Teams – 2017 agenda and determining what to prioritize & discussing and updating progress, change in the environment at large (are we missing anything? Can we help with anything that is already going on?).

Policy Agenda – tracking; had advisory and coalition call (via advisory council, leave everything on it and not take anything off – all initiatives are important, and it should not be narrowed down), and webinar about integration proposal (will be posted 2/2 or 2/3). Legislation for these items has been drafted to put forth. Will let others know when they can help (e.g., testimony).

DOT – motor cycle helmet law will be proposed along with passenger seat belt law.

Krista to give Kristin Sullivan updated email listserv for EHWG. Unable to use “constant contact”, possibly use Everbridge.

5 Policy Agenda

- Tobacco Legislation
 - Raising age to 21 for purchasing
 - Upgrade the clean indoor air laws
 - Remove preemption clauses that hinder local authority
 - Tax parity – DRS would have to be lead
- HPV vaccination mandatory age 11-12
- Integration of Health Districts

Paint fee is not moving forward.

- Work off of a calendar year: When will quarterly reports be due?
 - Advisory council meetings:
 - 3/31/17

- 8/24/17
 - Lead Conveners Meeting
 - 2/8/17 – hired a part-time resource Chantell Archer
 - Consideration to put it on CTN? No, this is not a statutorily mandated event. This is how they determine their schedule.
 - Possibly have CT DPH Communications record it and post on the website
- Air Action Agenda – was changed significantly due to no leadership during 2016, discovered Ruth Canovi who took on the leadership of the Air Action Agenda

Air

- Met in December – doodle poll for scheduling their next meeting. Look to end-Feb Beginning of March.
- Next meeting will focus on action agenda.
 - Andrea would like to attend.
- Marie-Christine – Asthma Annual Conference May 24, 2017
 - Dr. Gent – to discuss her research
 - Judy Dicine – home environmental assessment – housing issues/PMC
 - Smoking as asthma – Tobacco program
- SIM population health program – prevention services *Putting on Airm*, possible data to share by May
 - Health care delivery systems, Medicaid, private accountable care orgs – to be able to bill them
- Dashboard – review and possibly update (measurable objective – need data source)

Lead

- Data sharing with Dept of Housing
 - Provided matching data we have so far
 - Branching out to Local Public Housing Authorities
 - Geo-code to map results
- New Partnerships:
 - Community Health Partners
 - Nurturing Families – education
 - Reinvigorated – DCF partnership will fax LHDs a form with referrals
- Next meeting – unknown
- Dashboards – having discussions with partners to review and possibly revise (add DOH data match?)

Healthy Housing

- 3 Strategies
- Adoption of PMC
 - Group meeting to discuss the IPMC and decide what will be adopted and/or revised for adoption
 - Realtor, legal aid, State’s attorney’s office, building, zoning, DPH...
 - Reconsidering 2008 review
 - No state agency proposing the PMC
 - Rep Rosario proposed bill
 - 2/10/17 – DPH, DAS, State’s Attorney’s Office to discuss who may proposed the bill
 - Possible thought - existing statutes 47a-50 through 47a-55 would be repealed and replaced with the PMC
 - 47a-55 LHD enforcement

- If municipality would like to transfer enforcement of these statutes to another agency they can through a local ordinance
- Does not cover commercial or single-family owner occupied
- This is an existing mandate
- Landlords are in favor because of uniformity
- Health Equity because everyone would have safe/healthy housing
- Appeals process already built in, misdemeanor penalty
- Tool change
- Incentives to comply with codes
- Education for public and other on the importance of HH conditions for overall health
 - Relocation seminar was held
 - Code seminar to prevent risk and injury in communities (co-sponsored CT Conference of Municipalities and CAMA, possible third is Partnership for Strong Communities)

Wrap-up

Potential dates of upcoming meetings

- 1/4ly meeting
 - April 17
 - July 17
 - Oct 17
 - Jan 18
 - Doodle poll coming soon to schedule all the meetings for the year at the American Lung Association of New England – 45 Ash St, East Hartford, CT