



# Statewide Coordinating Council for Public Health District Coordinating Council Update

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<b>District: York</b>	<b>Date: September 14, 2012</b>
<p><b>Brief review of decisions and outcomes from Executive Committee and DCC meetings held since the last SCC meeting. For agendas and copies of minutes, please see district's website at:</b>  <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/olph/lphd/index.shtml">http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/olph/lphd/index.shtml</a></p> <p>Two Executive Committee (EC) meetings for York District Public Health Council (YDPHC) were held since the last SCC meeting. The meetings were held on July 18, 2012, and August 15, 2012.</p> <p>The July 18th meeting focused on the Community Transformation Grant (CTG) and Healthy Maine Partnership (HMP) activities. This included next steps on the District Public Health Improvement Plan (DPHIP) implementation; and preliminary planning for the September 19th York District Public Health Council (YDPHC) Quarterly Meeting.</p> <p>The August 15th meeting focused on the CTG Year 1 Work plan and Budget Updates, brainstorming and planning for CTG work in Year 2, September 19th full council planning; and the DPHIP Implementation updates.</p>	
<p><b>Ongoing or upcoming projects or priority issues:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continued Recruitment of faith-based, business and private sector membership</li> <li>• Implementation of the Community Transformation Grant Initiative</li> <li>• DPHIP alignment with CTG activities</li> <li>• Reenergizing DPHIP Focus Work groups</li> <li>• Continued development of the Council's strategic work plan</li> <li>• Revisiting &amp; Strengthening the Council's Governance &amp; Structure</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Progress with District Public Health Improvement Plan:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities planned for completion during the quarter: All three DPHIP focus areas work groups continue to meet to guide the work outlined in the DPHIP's focus areas work plans.</li> <li>• Considering there are no new or additional resources available to do this DPHIP work, work group leaders have kept the momentum going and have judiciously delegated tasks to partners and participating community members. Workgroup leaders have been successful in obtaining resources and support from community partners and local business. The new District Liaison will make every</li> </ul>	

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effort to attend or call into workgroup sessions to offer guidance and support. Presently the Obesity and Immunization Workgroups are on schedule and the Access workgroup is in the process of reconvening.

- Successes achieved
- **Obesity Workgroup** has met once during this quarter on **August 15<sup>th</sup>**. The group continues to work with community members and to revisit and update their plans and logic model activities in alignment with CTG activities for the upcoming year. The **Access work group** is in the process of expanding membership and a meeting on **August 29<sup>th</sup>** for this quarter.
- Barriers encountered-Time & resources

### Progress with Community Transformation Grant:

- Activities planned for completion during this quarter will include, CTG kickoff event on September 19<sup>th</sup> where childcare centers and schools will be enrolled.
- York District CTG Progress for July and August 2012.
  - Signed up for Constant Contact
  - Signed up for Go to Meeting/Webinar
  - Signed up for WikiSpaces
  - Planning for September 19<sup>th</sup> DCC Full Council meeting and CTG kick off.
- Childcare Active Living and Healthy Eating Met with Bill Hager of Childcare Services of York County on July 11<sup>th</sup> to discuss collaboration on providing training and education to childcare providers around healthy eating and physical activity. A draft MOU has been developed.
- CTG is planning a nutrition workshop for the October 13<sup>th</sup> Proud to be a Childcare Provider Conference. The CTG Coordinator working with Childcare Services of York County plans to hold an Active Play! Workshop in late September.
- A Masters Public Health (MPH) student researched best practice curriculums, resources, and tools for childcare providers around healthy eating and active living.
- The CTG Coordinator met with potential workshop facilitators on July 25<sup>th</sup> concerning School Active Living and Healthy Eating.
- Rick Matthews was hired, as a consultant to assist with implementing CTG initiatives in select schools. A MPU has been developed, finalized and signed. Rick is the former school health coordinator for RSU #21. Rick started the week of August 13<sup>th</sup>.
- A meeting with Heidi Kessler from Let's Go was held on August 8<sup>th</sup> to discuss potential collaboration in offering training to school nutrition directors around the new nutrition

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standards and plate waste.

- Working with the Maine Nutrition Network to hold a Smart Moves for ME training for interested schools in late September.
- SPARK PE manuals were purchased for all K-5 schools in York County.
- The MPH student researched best practice curriculums, resources and tools for schools around healthy eating and active living.
- Scholarships were promoted and offered to school reps and community partners to attend the August 9<sup>th</sup> Smart Moves for ME training in Hallowell. One individual received a scholarship.

### Administrative/Other

- Participated on July and August state CTG TA calls.
- Attending a meeting with Cumberland District ACET rep on August 8<sup>th</sup> to discuss potential ACET work in York District.
- Two copies of the HBO documentary “Weight of the Nation” were purchased.
- Barriers encountered  
Lack of time/resources for meetings

### Structural and Operational changes, including updates in membership.

Betsy Kelly has been hired as the new director of Partners for Healthier Communities. She starts September 13<sup>th</sup>. Adam Hartwig was hired as the York District Liaison and started on August 29<sup>th</sup>. Megan Ladd was hired by Coastal Healthy Communities Coalition to fill the HMP Program Director position that Bethany Fortier formerly held. Marsha Denison has been hired as a consultant to provide administrative support to the DCC through CHCC the lead HMP for York District as required by the 2012-2013 HMP contract.

### In-district or multi-district collaborations:

York & Cumberland Districts continue to collaborate on several projects. YDPHC members who also serve as members of the Cumberland District Council provide linkages between district efforts to streamline our work and identify additional opportunities where both DCCs can collaborate. York is working with Aroostook and Penquis Districts on a multidistrict obesity effort.

### Other topics of interest for SCC members:

**Discerning potential public health forums for YDPHC to host.**

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