

ADVISORY COUNCIL AND COORDINATING COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 20, 2022

ATTENDANCE

Arthur Horn Bageshree Cheulkar Camilla Comer-Carruthers Diane Hagerman Elizabeth Schedl Jeanne Herb Julia Wieczorek Laura O'Reilly Stanzilis Loretta Kelly Maria Baron Megan Avallone Peri Nearon Steve Moffett Wendy Sheay

ACTION TEAM UPDATE

- 6 plans more or less done, 5 in review, 1 in development, 2 to be discussed
- 4 sets of objectives received, 5 in progress, 3 haven't started, 2 to be discussed

DISCUSSION

- SDOH, equity, and healthy communities
- Rutgers <u>study</u>: public health, local health departments, and NJDOH can't do everything. Lack of time and staff -- capacity. Already overtaxed.
- Legal frameworks not traditionally used in health.
- Framing. Larger statement about changing focus of public health. Current action plans are fragmented.
- Use social services/human services as a partner.
- Stable, nimble, sustainable resources.
- How to get health to the table on these topics. Health in All Policies.
- We (public health community) see the need but need help from others (non-public health) to get there.
- Counties: human services assessments, hazard mitigation plans, community needs assessments
- What are the biggest opportunities? e.g., Federal Infrastructure Act, child tax credit, ...
- Who's taking ownership of a particular action? Who has the authority? More collaboration.
- Hospitals are no longer just taking care of sick people. They're more involved in education, outreach, prevention, etc. for all residents (not just their patients).
- Digital divide. Awareness isn't the problem. It's access. Total lack of access as well as difficult to access (dealing with multiple websites, portals, etc.)
- Same issues as 20, 30 years ago. We have to look at it from a different perspective.
- Short-term opportunities in addition to long-term.
- Where do we want to be in 10 years?

- Think about health when making decisions about housing, transportation, etc.
- Think about health when investing public money.
- Jeanne will begin writing something up after the new year.
- Create permanency -- statutes, requirements, etc. -- that won't disappear under a new administration.
- As of 2023, CMS requires hospitals to report on SDOH, housing, transportation, interpersonal violence, and a few others.
- CMS rates hospitals (star rating system) and makes it public.
 <u>https://qualitynet.cms.gov/inpatient/public-reporting/overall-ratings</u>

See meeting slides for more information.