

#### **Board of Health**

Ron Wesen, Chair Kenneth Dahlstedt, Commissioner Lisa Janicki, Commissioner

# **PHT Membership Meeting**

# Thursday October 5, 2017 8:30am-11:00am Skagit EMS

**Members:** Barbara Juarez, Bill Henkel, Carol Hawk, Debra Lancaster, Diane Smith, Howard Leibrand, Jennifer Johnson, Jennifer Sass-Walton, Joanne Lynn, John Sternlicht, Kari Ranten, Kenneth Lawson, Kevin Murphy, Liz McNett Crowl, Margaret Rojas, Mo Pettitt, Phil Brockman, Randy Elde, Scott Hale & Sonia Garza

Staff: David Jefferson, Kristen Ekstran, Lea Hamner & Mel Pedrosa

Absent: Andrea Doll, Charlie Wend, Cheryl Rasar, Chris Johnston, Colleen Pacheco, Connie Davis,

Mary Ellen Lykins, Michael Sharp, Murray Laidley, Stacy Phelps & Stephanie Morgareidge

**Guests:** Josette Curtis & Amanda Horvath

Time Item Owner

#### Welcome & Introductions

#### Previous Notes

It was noted on the previous notes under "Opioid Update" a correction be made on the story shared by John Sternlicht. Please note the correction made to:

"The people who remain are also more susceptible to economic trouble and, perhaps, addiction. Hicks estimates roughly 1.5 percent of Muncie's workers are neither working nor looking for work, because of opioids. That may seem like a small amount, he says. "But with an unemployment rate of 4 percent, that means 1 out of every 4 people who might otherwise be applying for a job are out of the labor force."

Changes will be made, group approved previous notes.

## Maternal & Child Health updates

- ➤ Kristen shared the 2017 State of Children and families report provided by the Northwest Department of Early Learning on our northwest region.
- Lea presented the group with data and information on a variety of indicators this workgroup is currently looking at.
- ➤ Kristen shared the ongoing work to prepare for a community-wide survey, slated to be opened October 31 –November 17, and taking November/December to analyze this data.

#### Comments/Suggestions

- □ In regards to the social determinants, adding the homeless data would be beneficial
- □ Looking into the infant mortality rates
- □ Possibly researching the reasoning for the Women, Infant, Children (WIC) program and the correlation to children living in poverty
- □ Looking into the data regarding distracted driving with children in the vehicle (improper buckling)

#### • Robert Wood Johnson 2018 Culture of Health Prize

David shared on the opportunity of applying for the prize, the application process, the tasks included and the steps to get there. David instructed the groups to break into small group discussion and deliberate on the position of the Trust given the requirements. The group agreed that the Trust is not ready for this, but should be proactive in beginning the

process for a 2019 prize application.

### • Skagit Council of Governments Housing Report Update

Kevin shared an update on the Skagit Housing Action Plan, which is slated to be out next week.

**Next Steps** 

SCOG is coordinating with EDASC to meet with the private sector the first week of November.

#### • Poster Presentation

Diane shared the poster that was created to tell the PHT story. This poster will be presented at the upcoming Washington State Public Health Administration Conference, as well as included in an upcoming publication.

#### Opioid Update

Kristen shared the opioid work in the last month, including:

- ✓ Edge of Amazing Panel event
- ✓ Secure Medicine Return Ordinance Project
- ✓ Pilot Project on Safe Medicine Disposal
- ✓ Proposed Opioid Prevention website
- ✓ Upcoming Opioid Summit on October 25<sup>th</sup>

#### Next Steps

Next PHT Membership Meeting scheduled for Thursday November 2, 2017 from 8:30am-11:00am, located at the Skagit EMS building