

## **Board of Health**

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# **PHT Steering Committee Meeting**

## Monday February 13, 2017

# Skagit County Commissioner's Building, Copper Room

**Members:** Carol Hawk, Bill Henkel, , Connie Davis, Debra Lancaster, Kevin Murphy, Liz McNett Crowl, Kristen Ekstran & Jennifer Johnson (Conference Call)

**Absent**: David Jefferson

## • Welcome, Review Agenda & Approve Previous Meeting Notes

Previous Notes approved. Kristen noted a slight change to the agenda: the Elevator Cards will be emailed out for the group.

## • Initiating Next Priority Area

The group members were each given a chart on Priority Decision-making Areas, Kristen reviews the chart and notes the following in order to consider the next area:

- ➤ The 3 youth-related items have been combined into one Indicator for the purpose of this discussion: -Safe and Healthy Youth
- Opioids and Housing shaded as complete or in progress
- Chlamydia and Campylobacter are essential Public Health functions so do not require a PHT workgroup

Out of the remaining five, three align with proposed Priority areas of the Accountable Communities of Health.

#### Comments/Questions

- □ It was shared that Maternal & Child Health would be a good focus for PHT because it has been a long-term priority. This area also offers a wide scope of work, provides an opportunity for a lighter touch for the Trust, is an upstream priority and has traction.
- □ Another member shared that it provides a 2 generational impact.
- □ Liz shared the desire that this priority area include chronic disease prevention (i.e. Nutrition, Weight status, and Physical Health)
- □ The Trust is able to bring a wide variety of people to the table who are able to make decisions on behalf of their organizations. These might be individuals and organizations who aren't yet involved in this issue area. The group agrees to recommend Maternal & Child Health for the next priority area for the PHT work.

## **Proposing to the Trust**

The groups shared important items to take into consideration, as follows:

- ✓ It was shared that we should propose this with a plan which includes a gaps analysis, bringing a variety partners to the table with different perspectives, and establish a Steering group for this indicator.
- ✓ Important to have a "Why" to bring to the PHT i.e. funding possibilities, traction, high impact, breaking the cycle, great need in Skagit County, links businesses, government and families, we would be bringing leadership.
- ✓ If we decide to support Prenatal through Kindergarten it would give more programmatic and policy opportunities and include ACEs.

The group discussed the possibility to support Prenatal to Kindergarten, but would consult with an eventual Steering Committee. Debra volunteered to propose to the Membership at the March PHT meeting. Once approved, we can move forward in establishing the steering group and begin taking nominations for the larger work group.

## • Final Opioid Report Update

Kristen shared that the Final Opioid Report is complete and gave a short update of the work of the OWLT group regarding the Work Plan. She shared the need to help recruit a leader for this group and asked for recommendations.

### • Seattle Children's Hospital Firearm Safety Support

Kristen shared that a venue has been selected for this event in Skagit County with a date of May 13<sup>th</sup>. Should support be given, PHT would have the opportunity to market our name and work to a broader audience.

The group voted to recommend supporting this event with a \$500 donation.

#### • Funding Request Processes

It was shared in the group the need for establishing a Funding Request Process for any future requests. Kevin noted that outside requests for funding, for example, the recent training request, should be considered differently than the Trust making decisions on our own budget. Kristen will work with David on funding protocol and report back at a future meeting.

## Next Steps

- The next PHT Membership meeting is scheduled for Thursday March 2, 2017 from 8:30am-11:00am, located at Skagit EMS
- The next Steering Meeting is scheduled for Monday March 13th, 2017 from 12:00pm-1:30pm, located at the Skagit County Commissioner's Building, Copper Room