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**Statewide Coordinating Council for Public Health  
Meeting Minutes of June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
Held Virtually on Zoom  
9:30am - 11am**

**Attendees:**

Seat	Roll Call	Name	Organization	Representing
1		Betsy Kelly	Southern Maine Health Care	York District
2	X	Courtney Kennedy	Good Shepherd Food Bank	Cumberland District
3	X	Corrie Brown	Healthy Androscoggin	Western District
4		Melissa Fochesato	Mid Coast Hospital	MidCoast District
5	X	Denise Delorie	Mid Maine Substance Use Prevention	Central District
6	X	Patty Hamilton	Bangor Public Health Department	Penquis District
7	X	Maria Donahue	Healthy Acadia	Downeast District
8	X	Sue Bouchard	Fish River Rural Health	Aroostook District
9	X	James Markiewicz	Maine CDC	State Government
10		Vacant		Department of Health and Human Services
11	X	Emily Poland	Maine Department of Education	Department of Education
12		Kerri Malinowski	Department of Environmental Protection	Department of Environmental Protection
13	X	Dalit Gulak	Waynflete School	Essential Public Health Services
14	X	Heather Drake	Maine Public Health Association	Essential Public Health Services
15		Elisabeth Snell	University of Maine	Essential Public Health Services
16	X	Susan Kring	Maine Medical Association	Essential Public Health Services
17		Becky Bell	In Her Presence	Essential Public Health Services
18		Erika Ziller	USM	Essential Public Health Services
19	X	Sue Mackey-Andrews	Maine Highlands Investment Partnership	Essential Public Health Services
20	X	Joanne LeBrun	Tri County EMS	Essential Public Health Services
21		Vacant		Essential Public Health Services
22	X	Leona Alvarado	Tribal Liaison	Tribal District
23	X	Carol Zechman	MaineHealth	Essential Public Health Services

Attending: 15; Attending by Phone: 0; Zoom: 15; Planned Absent: 0; Absent: 6; Vacant Seat: 2 Total Council Makeup: 21  
Total Voting Members Attending: 54 out of 21 = 71%. Simple majority is defined as quorum. Quorum Achieved

**Interested Parties and Stakeholders:**

Adam Hartwig	Maine CDC
Nancy Birkhimer	Maine CDC
Stacy Boucher	Maine CDC
Emilee Caradonna	Maine CDC
Jessica Fogg	Maine CDC
Kristine Jenkins	Maine CDC
Christine Lyman	MidCoast DCC
Al May	Maine CDC
Jo Morrissey	Maine Shared CHNA
Andrew Rennekamp	Seqirus
Meghan Richards	Maine CDC
Feargal Semple	Maine CDC
Drexell White	Maine CDC

**Meeting Minutes**

<b>MEETING NOTES</b>		
<b>Agenda:</b>	<b>Discussion:</b>	<b>Actions/Resources:</b>
Welcome and introductions: James Markiewicz	James, Maine CDC, greeted the group, shared the purpose and mission of the SCC meetings, and gave an overview of today’s agenda.	<a href="https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/public-health-systems/scc/index.shtml">https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/public-health-systems/scc/index.shtml</a>
Council Business --Approve March Meeting Minutes -- Confirm New Western Seat, Corrie Brown --Call for SCC Chair	<p>Courtney Kennedy motioned to approve the as written and was seconded by Sue Mackey Andrews. Meeting minutes from the 3/17/2022 SCC meeting were approved. All in favor (10 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain).</p> <p>Call for SCC Chair – Please consider approaching your fellow members to discuss nominating them to serve as Chair. Once you’ve approached a member and they have agreed to be put forward, please email James: james.markiewicz@maine.gov. Patty Hamilton is willing to share insight regarding the Chair position and may be reached at: <a href="mailto:patty.hamilton@bangormaine.gov">patty.hamilton@bangormaine.gov</a></p> <p>James will create a ballot nomination form for two open SCC seats. Need to reflect 1 of the 10 essential public health services – start encouraging folks to participate.</p> <p>James welcomed new SCC members Leona Alvarado and Corrie Brown.</p>	Reach out to James and/or Patty for nominations or questions about the SCC Chair position

<p>Preventive Health and Human Services (PHHS) Block Grant Business, Nancy Birkhimer</p>	<p>Nancy shared a presentation that was also shared during a public hearing that was held prior to this meeting. The block grant is required to have legal public hearing.</p> <p>First vote for approving changes to current workplan (revised budget, slide 7): motion to approve by Emily Poland. Seconded by Joanne LeBrun. Total votes in favor: twelve. Nancy will be submitting application in December 2023 and complete documentation in 2024.</p> <p>Nancy asking for feedback on public hearing input and for recommendations of changes.</p> <p>Question: what is the process when there are potential changes?  Answer: Focus on health equity started about 10 years ago, and block grants were managed out of that program. Decisions were made by leadership with feedback from committee and focused on needs for accreditation. Changes start with internal conversations and go to advisory committee. Block grant is required to have legal public hearing.</p> <p>Question: asked if informatics are available.  Answer: not yet.</p> <p>Members also asked that mental/behavioral health be addressed now or in the future.</p>	<p><a href="#">Link to 2021 Work Plan</a></p> <p><a href="#">Link to Block Grant Presentation</a></p> <p><a href="mailto:Nancy.birkhimer@maine.gov">Nancy.birkhimer@maine.gov</a></p>
<p>State Public Health Systems Assessment (SPHSA) Update, Al May</p>	<p>Al gave a background on the assessments and the previous timeline. Since the report is still under review, the presentation will not be shared in the notes.</p> <p>SPHSA adhered to the ten essential public health services and used four model standards. Al provided the background and research used to identify the organization, timeline, and data assessment methods. They key findings were organized according to EPHS.</p> <p>Question: there is a lot of information that the key findings were pulled from. Will the raw data be available at some point?  Answer: Have not talked about it. It depends on what the plan is for the report. May make a final decision once LPHSA is done and all information has been reviewed, but there is so much data that it may be too much for people to go through.</p> <p>Question: who owns the document and who has the authority on the proceedings?  Answer: legal background SPSHA/LPSHA resolve done by Anne Perry and determined that Maine CDC conducts the research and creates reporting. Other organizations can advocate and make recommendations, but there is no singular entity in charge of implementing based on findings. Does the SCC have to comment on the report or have a relationship to it? We'll have more public conversations in the fall/the October meeting.</p>	

Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 11am. Next SCC meeting will be Thursday, September 15 <sup>th</sup> from 9am - 11am.	

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Meghan Richards.