

2/15/23

10:00am – 11:00am

- **Planning Docs in Google:**  
[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/14qJc3qj48lI0tP43f2e\\_0YxPaixtyVBa](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/14qJc3qj48lI0tP43f2e_0YxPaixtyVBa)

Meeting called by Fern Gilkerson

- Please read:**
- Notes from last meeting, with particular attention to Last Steps.
  - Four prongs of the Action Plan.
- Please bring:**
- Actionable steps you can take to help the team meet the four goals of the plan. (Note: CHW module is in development).

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<b>10:30 – 10:15</b>	<b>Last steps review</b>	Zoom
<b>10:15 – 10:30</b>	<b>Action Plan and Other Updates</b>	Zoom
<b>10:30 – 11:00</b>	<b>Next Steps Review by Next Meeting</b>	Zoom

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**Attendance:**

- David Buono
- Patrick Loftus
- Holy Dolan
- Fern Gilkerson
- Brenda Anastasio

**Action Plan and Other Updates**

- Welcome, Patrick – new to DOH to work on men’s health.
- Fern refreshed the Google Drive files – they were somehow wiped away(!). The action plan in progress was not able to be recovered and some of the meeting notes. All of the essentials are there, though.
- In an effort to continue to encourage cancer screening and stigma reduction, Dave shared that he recently got a PSA screening with his in-network provider and his first colonoscopy

(recommended to start at age 45). He also had an interview call with individuals from WGAL as part of their “The More You Know” sponsorship. He said the interviews were great and will hopefully help in getting more men his age to take the steps to protect their future.

- The DOH PCC Membership Form is being updated – everyone will need to refill the updated Membership Form out eventually when it is done.
- The new cancer plan is being developed within DOH, this group will have a chance to comment next round.
- Some PCC members/chairs are interested in starting an environment and cancer PCC subcommittee – let me (Fern) know if you are interested and you can be placed in a contact list for when this starts being organized (tbd). Fern is going to contact CENSWPA to schedule a planning call
- Holly Dolan and Kate Konkle, both with Penn State Hershey Cancer Institute, are planning a 5/19/23 cancer summit for CHWs and patient navigators to be held at TUH in Strawberry Square, Harrisburg. Marketing to come soon. It will be called: *Cancer, the Environment and Equity – Tools for Action*
- This MHWG has two main items on our plan that we need to address. It may be better to have some participants in this group work on one item and some participants work on the other item. They are below. **Please consider by the next meeting which item you'd like to work on:** MHWG plan item:
  1. The Family Health Tree and the development of other adolescent tools for guidance to be used in high school health class and college/university Health Centers
  2. The promotion of better protections for communities of color that suffer greater rates of health problems often due to their close proximity and regular exposure to sources of toxic waste and other sources of carcinogens (ex. landfills, power stations, factories, waste facilities, radon, pesticides/fungicides/herbicides).
- The cancer and CHW module does not yet live on the PCC website due to capabilities.
  - Fern will ask if TUH and the CHW Association would be willing to make available the free cancer + CHW training module.
- As a reminder, CCCP is starting a new 5-yr grant period with 5 areas of focus:
  1. health equity
  2. prevention
  3. screening and early detection
  4. diagnosis and treatment
  5. quality of life of survivors

We have data that identifies our burdens and disparities. This data needs to be used to ask for funding to be allocated equitably and based on burden.

We need an educational campaign to educate PCC members on advocacy and outreach to policy makers and legislators, how to write a letter, find out who your representative is, attend key events to access policy makers.

### **Next Steps**

- Fern will ask if TUH and the CHW Association would be willing to make available the free cancer + CHW training module
- Brenda will send Fern and Holly the cancer and CHW online module link that TUH created last year
- Brenda will follow up with Lin Robertson re: the school curriculum she presents for/with UPMC.
- CarlaAnn will look at STEM work for the Family Health Tree/engaging adolescents tool topics and ideas.

### **Next Meeting**

- March 15, 10-11am <https://temple.zoom.us/j/99610506526>