



Healthy Connecticut 2025 State Health Improvement Plan

Healthy Food & Housing ACTION Team Meeting AGENDA & NOTES
 Date: 11-01-2022
 Time: 10:00am-11:00am
 Virtual Meeting Link: <https://hria.zoom.us/j/87206360217?pwd=amk4N000aWNLM0d4UVIxU3JSWFFHZz09>

Attendees (Please list all who participated):

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Welcome	10:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name Organization Favorite Halloween Costume 	
Action Plan Update	10:10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> C2.7 – Promote Farm to School network and school gardens to increase access to healthy foods in schools. 	
Subcommittee Formation	10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm subcommittee members and leaders 	
Next Steps	10:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next Meeting: Dec 6, 2022, 10:00-11:00 Dec Agenda: Action Plan Update for C3.3, C3.4 & C4.1 2023 Meeting Schedule and Frequency 	



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<p>Attendees (Please list all who participated): 19 Total Attendees <i>Action Team Members:</i> Adrianna Ramirez, Brent Miller, Brianna Foley (for Kim Ploszaj), Carla Angevine, Dan Giacomi, Erin Windham, Gina Smith, Jen Vinci, Julia Scharnberg, Martha Page, Meg Hourigan, Megan Joseph, Michael Santoro, Nilda Fernandez, Robyn Gulley, Sally Mancini <i>Support:</i> Donna Burke, Rose Swensen, Jeannette Goyzueta</p>

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Welcome	10:00	<p>Name & Organization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Martha Page requested updating her email address to: martha1551@att.net Request from Julia Scharnberg for contact information for today's participants (individuals entered in chat) <p>Favorite Halloween Costume</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amazing costume ideas! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HRiA to send update on Action Team list to DPH

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Subcommittee Formation	10:30	<p>Confirm subcommittee members and leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would like for subcommittees to schedule at least one meeting before the end of the year. - Role of the point people: find time to schedule, send out confirming emails/invites, facilitate meetings, and take/distribute notes, report back to full Action Team. - Gina volunteered to be point person for C1, Brent volunteered to be point person for C2, Julia volunteered to be point person for C3. - What support will be available for subcommittees? HRiA is available to answer questions and provide guidance. Points can also reach out to Robyn and Erin. - Request from Michael for participant list and contact info for subcommittee members 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HRiA to add contact info to subcommittee list • Co-leads to share subcommittee list with “point” volunteers • Point persons to convene subcommittees for at least one meeting by the end of 2022

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