



CONNECTICUT HEALTH IMPROVEMENT COALITION

Partners Integrating Efforts and Improving Population Health

HEALTHY CONNECTICUT 2020

Coalition Conference Call

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AGENDA

Purpose: Discuss upcoming 2016 SHIP Action Summit and opportunities to provide input in defining 2017 SHIP priorities.

- **Welcome – Dr. Pino**

Commissioner Pino discussed the importance of aligning population health priorities across local, state and national initiatives. The statewide SHIP and SIM initiatives will both address factors impacting population health and health measures in CT. Many local communities are addressing similar priorities in their CHIP planning process. CDC has recently released their 6-18 plan, which includes some of the strategies currently being addressed in 2016 SHIP Action Agendas. In 2017, we need to be strategic in how we invest our resources to have the biggest improvement in health outcomes for our community residents. Commissioner Pino also stressed the importance of addressing health disparities and social determinants of health, as well as maintaining the flexibility to address emerging issues such as the opioid crisis in our state. By aligning priorities and efforts, and collaboratively working toward common goals, we will be able to implement strategic, systemic and lasting changes in our state to benefit CT communities for many years.

DPH Deputy Commissioner Yvonne Addo was introduced to coalition members. Yvonne previously worked as the Deputy Director of Health for the City of Hartford.

Kristin Sullivan reviewed some of the documented SHIP successes since the last Coalition call in February. All seven Action Teams have been meeting monthly and working on the 2016 Action Agendas. First quarter progress updates were reported to the SHIP Advisory Council on April 7th. Some early successes include:

- Legislation passed supporting new water fluoridation standards
- Reduced prevalence rate for lead levels in children target has been met and surpassed
- Every Woman CT Initiative, which addresses pregnancy intention and improve birth outcomes, is currently being piloted in 8 communities
- Funding to support accreditation has been distributed to 12 Local Health Districts to prepare for accreditation
- DPH officially submitted their application for accreditation on March 31, 2016



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Along with our successes, our Action Teams have also encountered some challenges due to the current legislative environment. Both the proposal for tax parity on tobacco products and additional funding for expanded vaccine purchases did not happen in 2016 due to no new taxes and no extra funding.

- **SHIP Action Summit**

The Healthy Connecticut 2020: SHIP Action Summit is scheduled for September 8th, 2016. The event will be hosted at the Chrysalis Center in Hartford. Special thanks to the Donaghue Foundation for their sponsorship of this event. Proposed meeting outcomes include:

- Progress update on meeting HCT2020 Performance Dashboard targets
- Reviewing and finalizing 2017 Action Agendas
- Discuss policy priorities for 2017
- Recognizing action team members and leads for their accomplishments in 2016

- **Pre-Summit Planning Sessions**

Pre-summit planning meetings will occur over summer months in preparation for the September 8th, 2016 SHIP Action Summit, and they are open to all Coalition members to ensure a voice for in the process before they get to the Summit in September. The Action Team portion of the summit agenda we will be focused on finalizing the work of the Action Teams during the pre-summit planning meetings.

Between now and August 19th, 2016, action teams are requested to get together minimally at least twice for 2-hour meetings. Groups will review successes, challenges, what worked in the process, what didn't work well. Additionally groups will review the 2016 action agenda for action items that should be continued in 2016 and what should be done differently in 2017.

Each action Team Lead Convener has been given an introductory review of what should happen at these meetings – keeping in mind any new participants in the process should be brought up to date prior to the September meeting.

- **Opportunities for involvement and input in 2017 SHIP Priorities**

Now is the time to get involved! Please contact the HCT2020@ct.gov email if you would like to get involved in any of the seven Action Teams. Members were provided a list of confirmed meeting dates, times and locations for the action teams meetings confirmed at the time of the call. Additional meeting information can be found on the coalition website: www.ct.gov/dph/SHIPCoalition under the section titled: 2016 Dates on the Calendar.



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- **Q&A**

QUESTION: Will the action agendas line up with the CDC 6-18 agenda?

Some of the strategies on the 2016 Action Agendas already align with the 6-18 recommendations from CDC. Commissioner Pino was asking members to keep these recommended evidence based strategies in mind as they relate to systems and environmental changes being developed in the 2017 action agendas.

QUESTION: Is there a way to get a better picture of which local plans currently align with the SHIP?

We have gathered hospital assessments and we are currently working with CADH to have LHD drop their CHA and CHIPs into the drop box. As we receive additional CHIPs, we will include the information in a crosswalk/mapping document which should identify where alignments occurs.

QUESTION: Who do we see as the ideal audience for the summit – is it an inside meeting, or are we engaging other audiences such as the media? Who outside the group who should know about the work – then based on what we are looking for what do we want coalition members' role to be in advertising the summit?

We envision the summit as a way to bring coalition membership together annually and coalition membership is open to anyone who has an interest in joining. Action team members have identified gaps in representation and members are encouraged to promote and invite new members to the pre-summit planning meetings. Participation in the pre-summit planning meetings ensures that anyone who is interested in participating in the summit is prepared to participate at the Summit in September.

A flyer will be developed to promote the dates, times and locations of the pre-summit planning meetings. Several members volunteered to forward the flyer to some of their networks and contacts.

SUGGESTION: Add a briefing at the end of the SHIP Action Summit to share highlights from the meeting with the media.

SUGGESTION: Several members have been involved with the SIM initiative, would it be possible to have someone at the summit talk about the alignment with SHIP and SIM?

SUGGESTION: Action Team members engaged with local level plan development advocate for alignment with the SHIP and to work on integration across state and local level rather than operate in parallel.

SUGGESTION: To facilitate as much participation as possible in these pre-summit planning meetings, could there also be a conference line available for each of the action team meetings?

All Coalition information and proceedings can be found at <http://www.ct.gov/dph/SHIPCoalition>