



**Healthy Connecticut 2020**  
**State Health Improvement Plan**

**Injury & Violence Prevention ACTION Team Meeting AGENDA & NOTES**

**Date: 10-24-2018**

**Time: 9:30am-11:30am**

**Location or Conference Call Number: Gaylord Hospital (Chauncey Lecture Pavilion)**

**Attendees:** Amy Mirizzi (CT Dept. of Public Health/Co-Chair), Kevin Borrup (CT Children’s Hospital/Co-Chair), Chantelle Archer (CT Dept. of Public Health), Gabrielle Cyr (CT Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services), Andrea Duarte (CT Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services), Ann Dyke (Bridgeport Hospital/YNHH), Nicole Fidanza (Quinnipiac Univ.), Sarah Gauger (Dept. of Rehabilitation Services State Unit on Aging), Sandy Gill (CT Dept. of Public Health), Cathi Kellet (Griffin Hospital), Goesta Schlegel (Sacred Heart Univ.), Carol Steinke (City of Hartford Health and Human Services), Robin Tousey-Ayers (CT Dept. of Public Health)

Agenda Items	Time	Discussion	ACTION Items & person responsible
<b>Welcome &amp; Intros.</b>			
<b>HCT2020: SHIP Coalition</b>		<p><i>SHA 2.0 and SHIP 2.0</i>            The Dept. of Public Health is in the process of completing another State Health Assessment (SHA 2.0). A final report is scheduled to be published by January 2020. During the latter half of 2019 the department will begin to work on completing another phase of the State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP 2.0). Throughout 2019 the department will look for ways to streamline the next phase of the SHIP to increase collective impact on specific health issues without losing partners.</p> <p><i>Social Determinants of Health Survey (SDOHs)</i>            The SHIP Advisory Council had expressed interest in identifying common themes across each focus area of the SHIP. In response to this request, the DPH staff developed a survey for all SHIP Action Team members to identify the most important social determinants that affect conditions relative to the focus areas. The results of the survey were presented to the Advisory Council and will be used to help inform the SHA 2.0 section on social determinants as well as selection of priority areas for the SHIP 2.0. Action Team members who completed the survey used their subject matter expertise to select their top five subcategories that most impacted the topics and conditions within their focus area. A total of six IVP Action Team members completed the survey. Of all the Action Teams poverty was the top ranking subcategory, followed by access to health care, environmental conditions, health</p>	



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	<p>literacy, and housing stability. (Note: The Health Systems Action Team was not asked to complete the survey since the nature of their areas of concentration focuses on improving “Systems” and not specific health conditions.). IVP Action Team members who completed the survey ranked access to health care as the top subcategory, followed by poverty, environmental conditions, social cohesion and housing instability.</p> <p><i>Data Project</i></p> <p>The Health System Action Team is looking at ways to identify data gaps that have prevented other action teams from achieving their SHIP objectives. The team will collaborate with students from Yale University on the project. The students will categorize data issues from each action team and research what other states are doing to address their data issues.</p>	
<p><b>Injury and Violence Prevention 2019 Policy Agenda Discussion</b></p>	<p>The SHIP coalition plans to focus more on education and advocacy in the future in hopes of getting people to care about the issues being addressed in the SHIP.</p> <p><i>Motor Cycle Helmet Law</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During the 2017 legislative session a bill (H.B. 6048) was proposed that would require all operators and passengers to wear protective helmets. No bills were proposed during the 2018 legislative session.</li> <li>• HeadFirstCT, a grassroots state-wide coalition that aims to increase motorcycle safety and reduce the number of preventable motorcycle crash injuries and deaths, is compiling video testimonials in support of a universal motorcycle head protection law. The video will be sent to lawmakers and may be promoted by other organizations and news outlets that support motorcycle safety and injury prevention.</li> <li>• One argument for a motorcycle helmet law is if a motorcycle crash results in a traumatic brain injury tax payers would be expected to pay the medical bills for long-term care.</li> <li>• To change behavior we need to change perceptions.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Focus Area 5: Injury and Violence Prevention</b></p>	<p>The goal for the 2019 Action Agenda is to have at least one <u>measurable</u> objective for each strategy and to align it with existing coalitions. Members also need to think of ways to utilize the coalition beyond the action team.</p>	<p>Amy and Kevin will work on identifying strategies for the next meeting.</p>



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<p><b>Areas of Concentration Updates / Announcements:</b></p>	<p><i>Motor Vehicle Crashes</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Phyllis Difiore provided a written progress update on this objective.</li> </ul> <p><i>Sexual Violence Prevention</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DPH received a five year CDC grant to promote sexual violence prevention. The grant will encourage a systems level approach by training schools, judges etc. on sexual violence. In addition, crisis centers will collaborate with schools to increase prevention. The Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference will work on getting out educational messages on sexual violence prevention.</li> </ul> <p><i>Suicide Prevention</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There are 30 health care systems that are involved in a learning community on suicide prevention with Hartford HealthCare being the umbrella organization. There are 116 individuals who are on the list serve. It is still too soon to know if an impact has been made.</li> <li>“Gizmo’s Pawesome Guide to Mental Health” – This is a book that supports the mental health and wellness of youth. DMHAS is looking for opportunities to test the book as a tool that helps kids practice the behavior of asking for help. DMHAS is continuing to pilot working with UCONN Health Center to implement the book in 21 locations in the next two years. More Information about the book can be found at <a href="http://www.gizmo4mentalhealth.org/">http://www.gizmo4mentalhealth.org/</a>.</li> </ul> <p><i>Fall Prevention</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Dartmouth Center continues to provide regional trainings on fall prevention with the focus being on Tai chi. Local health departments have received training. Another training may occur in June 2019.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Other Items for Discussion:</b></p>	<p><i>COMPENDIUM OF FALLS PREVENTION &amp; INTERVENTION PROGRAMS IN CONNECTICUT COMMUNITIES</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Robin provided hard copies of the compendium to members.</li> </ul>	<p>Robin will share an electronic version of the Compendium with members.</p>
<p><b>Next Steps:</b></p>	<p><i>Next Meeting:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Date: January 22, 2019</li> <li>Time: 9:30 am – 11:30 am</li> <li>Where: Chauncey Pavilion at Gaylord Specialty Healthcare in Wallingford</li> </ul>	