## **AGENDA**

## Data Evaluation and Analysis of Grant-funded programs (Sub-Committee of the Commission on Community Gun Violence Intervention and Prevention)

November 7, 2022 @ 1:15pm (Zoom)

Members Present: Jim Dodington, Susan Logan (IVSU), Mike Makowski, Kerri Raissian, Kendell Coker, Carl Schiessl, David Shapiro, Pina Violano, Colleen Violette (OIVP staff)
Members Not Present: N

**Invited: Chris Bechlin and Elena Lofgren (COMPASS)** 

## **Sub-Committee Charge 1:**

Collect timely data on firearm-involved injuries and deaths and make such data publicly available

- 1. As a longer-term goal, we will suggest a listing or repository of data sources. This listing should contain the following elements for current and potential data users:
  - What do we have?
  - What's in this data?
  - What are the data gaps for this particular source?
  - Contact person should someone wish to obtain the data or ask a question
  - A link to data homepage or more information
  - Who is this data available to (researchers, public, requires an IRB, etc.)
- 2. Further, another long-term goal should be to create a data clearinghouse with Connecticut's various gun injury data sources.

## **Sub-Committee Charge 2:**

Evaluate effectiveness of violence intervention and prevention strategies implemented under the program

- 1. The RFP criteria subcommittee has met 2 times, and that they are finalizing the criteria. Knowing the RFP will help us, but we discussed preliminary evaluation thoughts.
- We want to note that there is an intention to identify effective, evidence-based or evidence
  informed strategies community violence and gun violence reduction strategies; to the
  extent this happens that will change the role of evaluation.

We believe the following evaluation elements will help to guide the awardees and provide useful information about the programs' effects:

- 1. To set up a clear process/ logic model
- 2. Establish a data dictionary for each funded program and include core components across programs

- 3. Implement a process evaluation that allows programs to understand if they are implementing programs with fidelity and effectively. Such an evaluation will also position them to apply for additional external funds.
- 4. Incorporate data into their decision process for continued service delivery.
- 5. Establish a reporting process for the data we recommend an annual report to the Commission and more frequent reports to DPH monitors
- 6. Depending on the nature of the programs that are funded, additional evaluation may be suggested.

We note that sub-committee reports are due November 29, 2022