



Community Health Worker Advisory Body (CHWAB)

January 7, 2021

Purpose of Today's Meeting

CHW Advisory Body Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome & introductions
2. Public comment
3. Review of December meeting and approval
4. Approve Tracking Document for Continuing Education Credits
5. Approve Governance/Bylaws
6. Discuss Development of Training Vendor Application Portal
7. Agency Updates
8. General Questions
9. Next steps
10. Adjourn

Introductions

CHWAB Membership

CHWAB Chairs

Dr. Tekisha Dwan Everette
DeLita Rose-Daniels (CHW)

CHWAB Support

Vicki Veltri
Laura Morris
Dashni Sathasivam
Lindsey Donston
Leslie Greer

DPH Appointee

Chris Andreson

Community Health Workers

Mildred Landock
Bianca Noroñas
Jerry Smart
Nilda Paris
Derricia Parker

CHW Association of CT

Milagrosa Seguinot

Community College

Erika Lynch

Community-based CHW training organization

Michele Scott

Healthcare Employer

Adriana Rojas

Healthcare Provider

Jean K. Jacob, PharmD

CHW Employing Agency

Lee Carenza

Public Comment

Meeting Summary Approval

Review of November Meeting Actions

Approved by CHWAB

- Grandparent the five training vendors until 2021 when implementation goes live
- By-Laws
 - Co-Chair – 1 year term, no maximum limit
 - Members – 3 year term, plus additional 3 year term, maximum 6 years
- Training Vendor Scoring - 4 or 5 is passing unless required by statute

Continuing Education Tracking Document

CHWAB Governance/Bylaws

- The Executive Director of the Office of Health Strategy, or the Executive Director's designee shall act as the chair of the Community Health Worker Advisory Body and shall appoint the following members to said body:
 1. Six members who are actively practicing as community health workers in the state
 2. A member of the Community Health Worker Association of Connecticut
 3. A representative of a community-based community health worker training organization
 4. A representative of a regional community-technical college
 5. An employer of community health workers
 6. A representative of a health care organization that employs community health workers
 7. A health care provider who works directly with community health workers
 8. The Commissioner of Public Health or the commissioner's designee

CHWAB Proposed Mission and Objectives – Article I

Section I – Mission Statement

The mission of the Community Health Worker Advisory Body (CHWAB) is to unify the voices of the community health workers and strengthen the profession's capacity to promote healthy communities.

Section II – Goals and Objectives

The goals and objectives of the CHWAB are to:

- Promote uniform standards and requirements for the training, certification, and continuing education of CHWs and CHW instructors in CT
- Educate those working in the health and social service sectors about the role, scope of services, evidence of success, and best practices related to CHWs.
- Develop and enhance opportunities for building the CHW workforce and its capacity to succeed

CHWAB Governance/Bylaws – Review Document and Approve

CHWAB Governance/Bylaws Effective Dates

Effective dates of all provisions of the CHWAB Governance/By-Laws shall begin upon approval by the CHWAB

CHWAB Training Vendor Application Review Committee Composition

Year 1:

- Two certified community health workers
- One employer, clinician or supervisor of community health workers
- Department of Public Health representative

Year 2:

- In addition to above, one CHW Training Vendor

Update – OHS

Certification Update - DPH

Marketing & Outreach- DPH

General Questions

Looking forward

Next meeting:

February 4, 2021

Upcoming Priorities

Other updates:

- Marketing & Outreach

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Adjourn