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Community Health Worker Advisory Body (CHWAB)

November 3, 2022



Purpose of Today's Meeting



CHW Advisory Body Meeting Agenda

- 1. Welcome & introductions
- 2. Public Comment
- Meeting Summary review and approval for October
 2022 meeting minutes
- 4. CHW Instructor Training Requirements Workgroup
- CHW Review Committee Score Sheet and Application Workgroup
- 6. Review Committee Update
- 7. Marketing and Outreach Update
- 8. DPH Update
- 9. Adjourn



Introductions



Chair Laura J. Morris, MPH Office of Health Strategy

Chris Andresen Practitioner & Licensing, DPH

Kim Barry CHW Employing Agency Thames Valley Council for Community Action Appointment:

> Vacant Healthcare Provider

Mildred Landock Community Health Worker Lead CHW YNHH-Project Access Appointment: October 17, 2019 Erika Lynch Rep of Regional Community College Workforce Development Gateway Community College

Bianca Noroñas Community Health Worker Hispanic Health Council Appointment: October 17, 2019

Nilda Paris Community Health Worker Director, CT Center for Patient Safety Appointment: October 17, 2019

Derricia Parker Community Health Worker Outreach and Enrollment Manager StayWell Health Center Appointment: October 17, 2019

Melanie Alvarez Community Health Worker Director of Community Resources Advancing Connecticut Together Appointment: February 3, 2022 Adriana Rojas Healthcare Employer Project Manager for CHW Pilot Program Community Health Center, Inc. Appointment; October 25, 2019

Milagrosa Seguinot Executive Director CHW Association of Connecticut Appointment: October 17, 2019

Liza Estevez Community Health Worker Manager, Patient Navigation Yale New Haven Health Appointment: November 11, 2021

Fernando Morales Community Based CHW Training Southwest AHEC Appointment: April 1, 2021

Public Comment



Review and Approve October 2022 Meeting Summary



CHW Instructor Requirements – Work Group Update





Proposed Curriculum Modules 1 & 2

Module 1: Introduction, Lesson Plans and Teaching Skills

Why are we here? Introductions Pre-course assessment Course overview **Baseline Activity Trainer Overview** Role of a CHW Trainer **Trainer Competencies** The CHW Core Competency Curriculum **Curriculum Review** Service Learning Train the Trainer Course Projects **Building Lesson Plans**

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Module 2:

Adult Learning Theory and Popular Education

Adult learning theory Intro to adult learning Five principles of adult learning Training methods activity Classrooms set-up Adult learning and cultural humility Learning styles **Preparing individuals for job search process Universal design for learning Popular Education** Intro to popular education Popular education activities Practicing popular education Online tool sharing activity

Proposed Curriculum Modules 3 & 4

Module 3: Roles and Boundaries

Who are CHWs? CHW roles and responsibilities US CHW policies CHW associations Exploring boundaries Ethics and boundaries activity **Trauma informed care** Final project check-in

OHS CONNECTICUT Office of Health Strategy Module 4: Communications, Facilitation and Mediation

Communication Skills Types of communication Public speaking Active facilitation and mediation Intro to facilitation Group facilitation activities **Counseling and motivational** interviewing Conflict resolution skills Intro to conflict resolution

Proposed Curriculum Modules 5 & 6

Module 5:

Cultural Competency and Humility

Cultural humility Intro to cultural humility activity Cultural humility lecture Teaching cultural humility activity Implicit bias test review **Equity and Inclusion Creating a safe space** Self-awareness, conflict and boundaries Conflict resolution reflection activity Building self-awareness activity Self-awareness, conflict and boundaries Adapting to your classroom **Outreach to communities with disabilities**

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Module 6: Final Projects

Final project presentation Final project must include practical teaching aspect to test skills as educator

Considerations

- **1.** Work group met on Tuesday, October 25
- 2. Instructors will need to go through renewals
- **3.** Community Health Workers are certified every 3 years
- 4. Right now, instructors are required to complete 30 hours/year of professional development. Hours teaching count toward this requirement. Also, 4 hours are set aside for Social Determinants of Health



Recommendation

- 1. Adopt Missouri CHW Train the Trainer model with additions as outlined here.
- 2. Establish a standard for all trainers of a minimum 3 years experience as CHW or combination of experience as a CHW and background in education or healthcare.
- 3. Implement requirement of 3 hours (within the 30 hours) of training in areas of the Train the Trainer curriculum of their choosing.
- **4.** Grandfather current trainers



Review Committee Workgroup on Score Sheet and Application



Marketing and Outreach Update



DPH Update



Looking forward

Next meeting: December 1, 2022



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Adjourn

