



Community Health Worker Advisory Body (CHWAB)

May 5, 2022

Purpose of Today's Meeting

CHW Advisory Body Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome & introductions
2. Public comment
3. Meeting Summary review and approval for April 7, 2022 meeting minutes
4. Notice of Funding Opportunity
5. Presentation by Jake DeFrancesco and Leslie Greer, Nationwide research on CHW Reimbursement and Sustainability
6. Review Committee Update
7. Marketing and Outreach Update
8. DPH Update
9. OHS Update
10. General Questions
11. Adjourn

Introductions

Chair

Laura J. Morris, MPH
Office of Health Strategy

Chris Andresen

Practitioner & Licensing, DPH

Lee Carenza

CHW Employing Agency

Director of Community Services
Thames Valley Council for Community
Action
Appointment: October 17, 2019

Vacant

Healthcare Provider

Mildred Landock

Community Health Worker

Lead CHW
YNHH-Project Access
Appointment: October 17, 2019

Erika Lynch

Repr 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 April 7, 2022 Meeting Summary

Notice of Funding Opportunity

HRSA 22-124

- Up to \$1 million per year for three years
- Application Due June 14th
- Purpose is for funding Community Health Worker Training Program to:
 - Expand – recruit and train new CHWs to include competencies for Public Health and Essential Public Health Services; include upskill training for existing CHWs
 - Employment – provide job placement and on the job experiential training through DOL's registered apprenticeship programs.
 - Health Equity and SDOH – Address gaps in public health and community needs and increase the diversity of CHW workforce in underserved communities.

Presentation by Jake DeFrancesco and Leslie Greer

Nationwide Research on CHW Reimbursement and Sustainability

Next Steps

In depth research on the Tier 2 states

Schedule meetings with Tier 2 states to learn detailed information about Medicaid and other reimbursement/funding of CHWs

Review Committee Update

Marketing and Outreach Update

DPH Update

OHS Update

General Questions

Looking forward

Next meeting:

June 2, 2022

Next Steps

- **CHW Reimbursement & Sustainability**
- **CHWACT Sustainability Plan**
- **Apprenticeship**
- **Review Statute for CHW Advisory Body – recommendations on changes**

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Adjourn