

Northern Bristol County Public Health Alliance

Meeting Minutes



Date: Tuesday, July 16th, 2024 **Time:** 10:00-11:00 am

Zoom Meeting Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87979991206

I. Attendees:

a. Dan Syriala, Attleboro

b. Sheri Miller-Bedau,

Attleboro

c. Sharon Jamieson, Berkley

d. Nicole Mello, Dighton

e. AnneMarie Fleming, North

Attleboro

f. Geri Hamel, Rehoboth

g. Meghan Russell, BME

Strategies

II. Hiring Update

- a. Berkley Board of Selectmen voted to take on the payroll for Northern Bristol on June 26th. We have a meeting set up for next Monday, July 22, to go over any logistics or questions with the Berkley team. We will then discuss with North Attleboro.
- b. Once a plan is in place with Berkley and North Attleboro, we will have dual processes of hiring staff and finalizing the IMA.
 - 1. Hiring plan: Meghan will review applications and conduct screening interviews. We will set up teams to conduct the final interviews
 - 2. IMA: Final signed document is due October 31st

III. Relavent Update

a. Meghan has the iPads. She is going to arrange a pick-up with Michael Hicks of Relavent so that he can load the software onto each one. Meghan will bring them back the week of July 29th. Please make plans to get your items from North Attleboro that week.

IV. Workplan Update

a. Our workplan was approved by DPH on Friday. Had to add in equity considerations across additional objectives. Meghan is working on putting together the dashboard for FY25.



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- b. Potentially could have a plotter scanner purchase approved if the group is interested.
- c. Rehoboth is currently experiencing a food insecurity issue that the food bank is not able to support. This is another area that the nurse and social worker can explore and support once hired.

V. MAVEN Support for Dighton

- a. Reaching out to MAPHN membership. If we don't get any responses then we will look into a short-term contract with a VNA until we are able to hire a nurse.
- b. Geri will also need support while she is out of the country from August 5th-20th.

VI. Epi Resources from DPH

- a. Community Health Equity Survey Interest Form
 - 1. Links to data from the CHEI survey conducted in the fall and a request form for assistance using and interpreting the data. They can help you use the data even if you don't really know what you need or are looking for.
- b. Population Health Information Tool
 - 1. This resource was presented at the last PHE meeting. The slides have been attached to provide more information on how to use it and where it get more information

VII. Training Opportunities

- a. Passing on two free Hoarding training resources from AnneMarie from the Homeless and Housing Resource Center:
 - 1. Introduction to Hoarding Disorder
 - 2. A webinar of the training
- b. Up next identify training needs for each municipality
 - 1. Meghan will send out the training and certifications tracker to get an update on each municipality's status and set up a plan for each.
- c. Mental Health First Aid training scheduled for Tuesday October 1st



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1. Geri to see if we can use the Rehoboth meeting space again.

VIII. Success Stories

- a. DPH has an intern that is collecting success stories from PHE groups. Is there anything you want to share?
 - Nicole the bags have been very helpful, especially the tick and mosquito supplies. Have used them many times when conducting outreach and educational programming
 - 2. Geri and AnneMarie the hoarding training has helped them in recent cases they have had to deal with. They have come with a new perspective of this being a mental health problem and were able to share that with others involved to create a more empathetic atmosphere. AnneMarie was able to share resources from trainings to help those involved get the support they need.

IX. Next Steps

a. Meghan

- 1. Meet with Berkley to discuss hiring plan
- 2. Create dashboard and timeline for FY25
- 3. Get Relavent loaded on iPads and complete organization of FY24 purchases
- 4. Complete FY24 reporting

b. NBCPHA

1. Plan to acquire items from North Attleboro the week of July 29th