**Core Indicators for Public Health in Ontario**

# Core Indicators Work Group

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| **Date:** | September 16, 2014 |
| **Location:** | APHEO 2014 Workshop, Eaton Chelsea |
| **Attendees:** | Sherri Deamond, Suzanne Fegan, Natalie Greenidge, Brenda Guarda, Ahalya Mahendra, Virginia McFarland, Mary-Anne Pietrusiak, Sylvia Thompson-Nicholson |
| **Regrets:** | Shanna Hoetmer, Lawson Greenberg, Katherine Russell (on leave), Sue Bondy |
| **Chair:** | Suzanne Fegan |
| **Recorder:** | Sherri Deamond |

**Draft Minutes (no agenda so items are not numbered)**

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| **No.** | Item | **Action** |
|  | **Potential new members**  * Syliva Thompson-Nicholson is interested in joining either the CIWG or one of the subgroups. She is sitting in today to learn more. * Liz Corson is interested in joining * Michelle Costa is interested in joining the cancer subgroup | **Brenda** will pull the cancer subgroup back together |
|  | **Obesity Adjustment Factor**  * Liz Corson inquired if we were looking at using this * PHO has looked at it and used in their Health Profiles (Infographics) but not in their Snapshots | **Suzanne** will ask Liz to draft comments that we will consider adding under indicator comments  **Suzanne** will contact Karin Hohenadel at PHO to learn more about what they did |
|  | **Child Health Subgroup**   * Brenda has done an orientation for this group * A chair is still needed * Becky Blair from Simcoe-Muskoka is willing to act as co-chair but need another co-chair * Discussed the potential for splitting into sub-areas including a section on oral health indicators | **Mary-Anne and Sherri** will discuss the possibility of co-chairing with Fangli Xie |
|  | **Work Plan Review** | **Suzanne** will update 2009-2011 work plan to maintain as ongoing work plan |
|  | **Work Plan Theme - Planning & Resources (Financial)**   * Also need to update the sexual health indicators and some of the mortality indicators * We need a schedule to determine how frequently indicators should be updated * We need a source of funding to support this. Ideas include:   + LCDP application, possibly for evaluation of the indicator project (but would be a lot of work just to produce the application)   + PHO contract person (letter has been sent)   + Budget line from APHEO * Also discussed need to reorganize indicators into OPHS sections | **Sherri** will create a first draft reorganizing the indicators into OPHS sections and send out to the group for feedback.  **All** to brainstorm for ideas for funding.  **TBD** (after indicators reorganized) prioritize list of what needs to get done then produce time estimates for each task and estimated budget before we go to APHEO &/or other sources to request funding. |
|  | **Work Plan Theme - Membership**   * Orientation package for reviewers is complete * Discussed need for standard APHEO template for PowerPoint presentations. The one that Jessica Deming used would work nicely. | **Brenda** will review Core Indicators orientation PowerPoint presentation and update as required  Brenda will create an APHEO template for PP presentations based on Jessica Deming’s and forward to Exec committee for approval, post on website if approved and use for orientation presentation |
|  | **Work Plan Theme - Promotion**   * APHEO Workshop on Core Indicators is complete * Brochure – 100 copies were printed for the workshop * Newsletter - Brenda suggested creating a newsletter with articles highlighting PHUs use of indicators. We would want the distribution of such a newsletter to extend beyond APHEOLIST, perhaps we could contact other PH organizations to distribute to their membership such as PHIs, PHNs, nutritionists, etc. We could include calls for reviewers in the newsletter * Bookmark - Work group determined we probably don’t to develop * Poster – we don’t have any right now but discussed developing a Banner Bug with generic information so it does not need to be changed. We should add this to our list of things to do but this does not need to be a high priority. | **Suzanne** will add a link to the workshop presentations on the Core Indicators section of the website under the Publications and Key Presentations on the Core Indicators  **Suzanne** will upload Injury PHO Rounds presentation to this section as well  **Brenda** will post the revised brochure to the website  **Suzanne** to add a standing agenda item on future conference/ workshop attendance to highlight potential promotion opportunities |
|  | **Work Plan Theme - Data Sources and Indicators**   * Gaps and alignment document – just a few tweaks outstanding * Data sources – make sure part of prioritization exercise includes updates to resources * Standardization – put together ad-hoc group to look at switching to 2011 as standard population * Natalie provided an update on the MTO request that PHO was doing. It was put on hold while working on the Health Profile. There was a question whether postal code was required as part of the data set and they thinking is that it is needed so they will move forward though the request is complicated. PHO’s intent is to use the data for their Snapshot reports but those are probably still a while off. | **Brenda** will send the section of the gaps document re. BORN to Erin Graves to ask about input and if updates are needed  **Ahalya** will follow up as part of Built Env group to investigate which PHUs are part of a data consortium and what data they have access to |
|  | **Cancer Indicators**   * There was an issue with ICD-10 codes and age groups for the cancer hospitalization and mortality indicators. CCO reviewed the relevant section and provided some suggestions regarding revised wording. | **Natalie** will update the indicators on the website. |