**Core Indicators For Public Health In Ontario**

# Social Determinants of Health Subgroup Minutes

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| **Date:** | Wednesday, November 21, 2012 |
| **Location:** | Teleconference |
| **Time:** | 1:30-3:30pm |
| **Recorder:** | Virginia McFarland |
| **Chair:** | Luanne Jamieson |
| **Attendees:** | Luanne Jamieson, Cam McDermaid, Dinna Lozano, Natalie Greenidge (PHO), Bill Kou, Virginia McFarland |
| **Regrets:** | Fran Scott |

**Minutes**

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| **No.** | Item | **Action Item** | **Follow up** |
| **1.0** | **Review of the Agenda** Add discussion of Natalie’s role under New Business 4.1 |  |  |
| **2.0** | **Review of Minutes** **September 19, 2012**  * Accepted as presented |  |  |
| **3.0** | **Business Arising** |  |  |
| 3.1 | aLPHA/OPHA update - Cam  * Health Equity indicators being developed jointly by aLPHA and OPHA * APHEO is involved via Cam as representative at those meetings * Document circulated yesterday for our feedback to provide background and context of this work * Some health units (e.g., rural health units) may have difficulty with disaggregation, and not all indicators are amenable to SDOH analysis at the level they’re being reported * Group asked to consider this document and consider the indicators as potential accountability indicators, and determine how approaching work using the SDOH lens and *reporting* on this work would ultimately affect procedure and actual work done by health units. * Poverty reduction is of particular interest, because it’s not typically construed as a public health issue. * There is no time accorded to measurement frequency expressed at this point, may need to seek more clarity regarding this later on |  | Group will provide feedback to Cam in email over the next month or so, no firm timeline |

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| 3.2 | Update of Housing Affordability – Cam  * One reviewer commented that the data are old (census data every 5 years), and this may be problematic. * No current data dictionary for this derived variable yet, will have to revise this later * Question: Bill - Geographic areas: DHCs are still included, should be removed? |  |  |
| **4.0** | **New Business** |  |  |
| 4.1 | Natalie Greenidge’s Role – Natalie, Cam & Luanne   * Helping Repro Health, Injury and Substance Abuse Preve and the Built Environment over the last year with their indicators, hoping to support this group as well, as contract has been extended until the end of March. * Natalie has been invited to the group to support us as we review and develop these indicators, and we are investigating the possibility of Natalie supporting the development of new indicators in this area. * Natalie was working in smaller task groups in other CIWGs developing indicators and coordinating the review process. * There are some indicators outstanding, but by and large they have been assigned, we have approx. 6 left to post, this will happen over the next few months. Question at this point: do we consider creating additional indicators (such as composite indicators, like deprivation indices) as part of our work? * Jeremy Herring has a student will be starting at PHO in January to investigate how the Ontario Marginalization Index and possibly the INSPQ can be applied to population health measures. The student has just started. * Time frame for review of newly updated indicators is generally ASAP. |  |  |

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|  | 4.2 Health Equity NCCDH Indicators (Question: Bill) – there was a Sept 24-28 online discussion, did anyone contribute?   * Cam looked at the discussion, but was unable to contribute to the discussion, it’s still posted if people want to read through it * Luanne suggested we contact someone at NCCDH, Cam suggested we ask them to start a topic of discussion of interest to us. |  | Cam will contact NCCDH about starting a discussion relevant to our work. |
| **5.0** | **Indicator Updates** |  |  |
| 5.1 | Ethnic Origin – Cam   * Distributed last version based on comments received * We will post this for external review |  | Item will be posted for external review, Cam will coordinate with Natalie to arrange review process. |
| 5.2 | Low Income Rate - Luanne |  | Deferred to next meeting |
| 5.3 | Indicators to be completed:  **Population indicators:**  Aboriginal population – Dinna  Immigrant population – Cam will review and Natalie will provide help if needed  Ethnic/Cultural Origin – Cam *in progress*  Mother Tongue – Dinna  % don’t speak English or French – Cam  **Social Environment and Health indicators:**  Low income rate – Luanne *– in progress*  Income inequality – Luanne – *in progress*  Housing affordability – Ahalya/Cam – *in progress*  Single Parent Families – Bill  Living Arrangements for Seniors – Dinna  Education – Virginia |  | Cam will update immigrant population.  Dinna has begun her indicators.  Bill needs to put finishing touches on Single Parent Families.  Luanne completing work on her indicators.  Virginia will send out Education. |
| **6.0** | **Standing Items** |  |  |
| 6.1 | Items to bring forward to CIWG – All   * None |  |  |
| 6.2 | Referencing – Luanne/Cam  APHEO webpages will be cited as follows (note: because APHEO has no home office, and is a provincial organization, the APHEO executive agreed it would be best to use the provincial capital as place of publication):  Association for Public Health Epidemiologists in Ontario (APHEO) [homepage on the Internet]. Toronto: APHEO; copyright year(s) cYYYY. Core indicators for public health in Ontario: Core Indicator Name; date of last revision YYYY Mon DD [cited YYYY Mon DD]. Available from: URL.  For example,  Association for Public Health Epidemiologists in Ontario (APHEO) [homepage on the Internet]. Toronto: APHEO; c2011. Core indicators for public health in Ontario: preterm birth rate; 2012 Mar 30 [cited YYYY Mon DD]. Available from: <http://www.apheo.ca/index.php?pid=140>.  The citation for the APHEO main page will be slightly different:  Association of Public Health Epidemiologists in Ontario (APHEO) [homepage on the Internet]. Toronto: APHEO; c2011 [updated YYYY Mon DD; cited YYYY Mon DD]. Available from: <http://www.apheo.ca/index.php?pid=1>. |  |  |
| 6.3 | Authorship and Contribution – Luanne/Cam   * Issue brought forward to CIWG, having the contribution at the bottom with the lead author and the remaining contributors in review is how they would like to see the contribution/authorship continue. Given there is no existing history of last reviews, the CIWG wasn’t concerned about citing historical authors. * Question: Virginia. Document control policy – are versions indexed on website? |  | Cam will contact Lee Sieswerda and Sherry Deamond to ask about indexing previous indicator versions on the website |
| **7.0** | **Date, Time and Location of Next Meeting**  **January 23, 2013 1:30-3:30pm**  Meeting adjourned at 2:30pm | Luanne to arrange teleconference info for 2013 |  |