



# NOTES

## Executive Committee

Date: Wednesday, April 7, 2021 • Time: 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- ❖ **Members present:** Alissa Rankin, Sam Bradfield, Dr. Mariah Chrans, Matt Thibault, Barb Wiman, Kim Downes, Diana Lady, Kelly Nightengale, Neshia Wilson, Olivia Pewamo, Carolina Biagi, Guadalupe Tredway, Callie Dyer
  - Self-care check-in
- ❖ **Discussion/Updates**
  - Vaccine Messaging – Fighting misinformation & fears (next steps)
    - Link our website with reliable information to COVID-19 information, focusing on misinformation
    - <https://yourhealthbeyondcovid.org/>
    - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/facts.html>
    - COVID-19 VACCINE: Get the Facts (no translation) - <https://vimeo.com/506939449>
    - COVID-19 VACCINE: Get the Facts (Spanish translation) - <https://vimeo.com/510020483>
    - The History of Vaccines (no translation) - <https://vimeo.com/493161892>
    - The History of Vaccines (Spanish translation) - <https://vimeo.com/503250523>
    - Trusting Vaccines (No translation) - <https://vimeo.com/493869202>
    - Trusting Vaccines (Spanish translation) - <https://vimeo.com/503250245>
  - Healing Your Almond Trauma-Informed Care Training
    - Had final conversations around logistics and is ready to kickoff
    - Neshia & Alissa will address chat questions verbally; others attending, can help let Alissa know if questions have been missed in the chat
  - Logic Model Discussion
    - Using work plans from each of the committees, ‘what if we do a logic model for each committee based on objectives and spend time within committee meetings to work on this?’ (Everyone agrees with this)
    - Rephrasing of logic model draft Alissa showed; Accessibility of language/presentation of logic model
    - ‘What is the purpose of having a logic model?’ It is an alternative way of explaining a process: What we’re going to do, how we’re going to do it, and what comes out at the end
  - Kansas CHW Day Proclamation
    - Bylaw- Quick view: Questions/Additions (*if any*)

- Diana will ask Breastfeeding Coalition how they moved forward in this area
- Ashely Goss might have insight, or Christy Cain (works with Local Health Departments), Kelly will draft an email
- Strategic Plan Review
  - Talk about each of the items and what progress we have made, and what we feel like we need to do, and any updates we want to make (changes made on Executive Committee Work Plan document)
  - Addressing Barriers
    - CHWs have mostly focused on food access and housing/eviction support
    - Discussion around non-traditional partnerships
    - Workforce Assessment indicated turnover in agencies which makes it difficult to engage these organizations; A lot of CHW organizations are not engaged with the coalition... how do we engage these people and maintain these relationships – mindful of language (some people define CHW as medical/health care, but does not just encompass this... APHA definition is so broad, need to make it clear as a whole CHWs do not provide healthcare) – Do we need to break this down into regional partnerships for sustainability committee to help keep track of organizations? Could check in quarterly.
  - Key takeaways/To-Do's

## ❖ Committee Updates

- Advocacy
- **Education** - Soliciting applicants and getting people involved in the upcoming cohort, which starts May 17<sup>th</sup>; Healing Your Almond will be interesting to hear what CHWs have to say about this program; Alissa, Barb, and Elaine have been accepted to present at a conference; Want to get the word out about what Kansas is doing (education and executive committee piece), how can we have a presence on the national field? Alissa R. (co-author), submitted an abstract to APHA for a presentation regarding how MARC curriculum in MO (not fully adopted across state of MO) and train-the-trainer in KS
- **Sustainability** – clean up red marks from work plan
- **Symposium** – Theme: “Everything Connects, Unification in Uncertain Times”; \$10,000 in funding; Keynote: Dr. Soma Saha (<https://www.weintheworld.org/team/soma-saha>); next will be looking at breakout sessions
- **Community of Practice** – Guest speaker: Jessica Hunton, Unite Us program, community based organization where most things happen in the community; this program addressing SDoH and related to CHWs because the way it works it connects organizations with pre-data agreements and helps with referrals and secures how information is shared and referrals are tracked to make sure it is done; they check in case people change jobs and make sure to have updated contact info, HIPAA consent; more designed for an

organization and Jessica can give an example and relevant to CHWs because it has reliable information for client referral

- Located at CEI (Impact Center), have list of resources for referral (mental health, ect.)

#### ❖ Regional Representative Updates

- **Northeast Kansas & Tribes:** Governor Kelly went through Prairie Band Potawatomi Center to acknowledge vaccine efforts (<https://www.pbpindiantribe.com/governor-kelly-recognizes-prairie-band-potawatomi-nation-covid-19-vaccination-efforts/>)
- **Southwest Kansas:** Pop-up vaccine and testing clinic (out of the box for western Kansas), hoping to give 500 vaccines away (10 clinical volunteers and promotares helping); requesting a track about opioid education for CHWs (want to dispel myths like who is using, what opioids are, ect.), HRSA or DEA

#### ❖ KDHE Support Staff Updates

- OD2A project is doing a qualitative survey on CHWs, with a literature review and inventory of CHWs/peer support specialists working in this capacity... will be doing qualitative interviews to find out what the work is like, any resources they need – if anyone knows anyone doing this work it would be great to get them in contact
  - Genesis Family Health has a couple of providers doing this work – Callie (will send to Kelly), may be using promotores to help with language barriers
  - Student from previous cohort did opioid support work in Salina area – Alissa will send contact info
  - Barb will forward contacts from KC area

#### ❖ Next Steps

##### Next Meetings

(1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month – 1pm-3pm)

Wednesday, May 5, 2021	Wednesday, September 1, 2021
Wednesday, June 2, 2021	Wednesday, October 6, 2021
Wednesday, July 7, 2021	Wednesday, November 3, 2021
Wednesday, August 4, 2021	Wednesday, December 1, 2021