Public Health Evaluation Committee

February 24, 2011
Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Public Health Evaluation Committee (PHEC) was held via webinar.

Committee members participating via webinar:
Doug Beardsley, Jim Torner, Sheri Bowen, Julie Schilling, Jonn Durbin, Tanya Uden-Holman, Mike Pentella, Lisa Kapler, Terri Henkels, Ken Sharp, Kim Westerholm, & Pam Duffy

Committee members absent:
Jason Hockenberry

Others attending via webinar:
Erin Barkema – Lead Staff PHEC
Joy Harris – Lead Staff PHAC
Karla Dorman – Support
Martha Gelhaus - IDPH

Approval of Minutes
Approved by consensus using GoToWebinar technology

Agenda Item – Reports
- Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) Beta Test:
  - Joy Harris reported that the PHAB Beta test is completed.
  - PHAB has received lots of feedback and will be compiling and sharing the results when they are done.
  - The board is planning on a September 2011 roll out of their standards.

- Multi-State Learning Collaborative (MLC)
  - Erin Barkema provided a handout and reported on MLC activities.
    - A MLC Open Forum is being held in New Orleans, LA in March. Five representatives from Iowa (Erin Barkema, Joy Harris, Donn Dierks, Laura Beeck, and Sheri Bowen) will be attending the meeting.
    - A Public Health Learning Congress will be held on April 4, 2011. A dinner meeting will be held afterward with IDPH staff involved with the MLC project, partner states, and national partners to discuss the overall outcomes of the MLC project in Iowa. These two events will serve as the final site visit for the project.
    - Participants in the MLC mini-collaboratives will be presenting at the Learning Congress.

- Metrics
  - The metrics subcommittee has been holding two-day work meetings.
  - Ms. Barkema updated members on the status of completing metrics and shared some examples of the work the Metrics subcommittee has been doing on the standards and criteria.

Agenda Item – Old Business
- Healthy Iowans Recommendations
  - Ms. Barkema walked through the recommendations that the PHEC submitted to the Healthy Iowans committee.

Agenda Item – New Business
Determining a baseline of the Governmental Public Health System

- Per the Public Health Modernization Act (PHMA), the PHEC is tasked with determining a baseline of the Governmental Public Health System. Ms. Barkema provided a handout outlining the proposed process to complete this task.
- Members of the PHEC were asked to identify 10-15 questions about the governmental public health system. A form was provided to collect information about proposed questions. Members were asked to complete the form and return to Ms. Barkema by April 21, 2011.
- The information gathered will be used to prepare for discussions scheduled for April 28th and 29th.

Planning for an evaluation of an accreditation pilot.

- The PHMA requires piloting an Iowa accreditation system. The Public Health Advisory Council’s Accreditation subcommittee will be meeting soon to begin work on the planning of the pilot. Pilots will be asked to collect evidence from June – December, 2011 and host a site visit in December 2011.
- The PHEC will be responsible for evaluating the pilot process.

Next meeting will be held on April 28 and 29, 2011 in Iowa City.

Adjournment