

## Community Health Subgroup Meeting Minutes September 22, 2021

Meeting Date	Meeting Time	Location
September 22, 2021	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Webinar and Conference Call

### Participant Name and Attendance

Community Health Subgroup Members			
Kate Breslin	X	Martha Page	X
Rick Brush	X	Deb Polun	X
Angie DeMello	X	Lyn Salsgiver	X
Paul Dworkin	X	Megan Smith	X
Kiley Gosselin		Lisa TepperBates	X
Rita Kuwahara		Orlando Velazco	
Ashley McAuliffe			
Others Present			
Kelly Sinko, OHS	X	Jeannina Thompson, OHS	X
Hanna Nagy, OHS	X	Krista Moore, OHS	X

Meeting information is located at: <https://portal.ct.gov/OHS/Pages/Community-Health-Subgroup/Meeting-Agendas>

Agenda	Responsible Person(s)
<b>1. Welcome, Roll Call, and Introductions</b>	<b>Kelly Sinko, OHS</b>
<p>The regularly scheduled meeting of the Community Health Subgroup (CHS) was held on Wednesday, September 22, 2021 by webinar.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kelly Sinko welcomed subgroup members and called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. Ms. Sinko mentioned that Brent Miller is out today, and she will be leading today's meeting.</li> <li>Attendance was taken by roll call. It was determined that a quorum was present.</li> </ul>	
<b>2. Public Comment</b>	<b>Members of the Public</b>
Public comment was provided later in the meeting.	
<b>3. Approval of the June 23<sup>rd</sup> and August 25<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes</b>	<b>Members of the CHS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Martha Page motioned to approve the minutes of the Community Health Subgroup's June 23, 2021 meeting. Angie DeMello seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed.</li> <li>Deb Polun motioned to approve the minutes of the Community Health Subgroup's August 25, 2021 meeting. Angie DeMello seconded the motion. Lyn Salsgiver and Lisa TepperBates abstained. There was no discussion. The motion passed.</li> </ul>	
<b>4. Primary Care Update</b>	<b>Kelly Sinko, OHS</b>
<p>Kelly Sinko presented the Primary Care Update (<a href="#">see meeting presentation here</a>).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highlights of the presentation included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An overview and context of the Governor's vision in Executive Order #5</li> <li>An overview of Connecticut's Healthcare Benchmark Initiative</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The goals and purpose of a primary care spending target.</li> <li>▪ The recommendation for the primary care spending target.</li> <li>▪ The Roadmap for advancing, strengthening, and sustaining primary care</li> <li>▪ Proposed core and essential practice functionalities.</li> <li>▪ Community Health Subgroup and HEC group members involvement during the implementation planning.</li> <li>▪ Information, limitations, and benefits of a prospective payment model</li> <li>▪ Next steps were reviewed.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The group discussed the presentation, the prospective payment model approach, and the incentive payments. There was a question about whether the incentive payments will be based off the primary care core measure set and if the measure set is still being discussed. It was noted that the proposal is for the core measure set to have a subset, it has not been defined yet. The exact measures will need to be defined and the incentive payments will be based of those measures.</li> <li>• It was mentioned that there are a lot of opportunities here to close inequity gaps and incentives for participation and encouragement for the larger community health improvement work as appropriate to primary care practices.</li> </ul> <p>Several discussions ensued, for more information please see the link below.  <a href="https://ctvideo.ct.gov/ohs/CHSG_Meeting_Recording_09222021.mp4">https://ctvideo.ct.gov/ohs/CHSG_Meeting_Recording_09222021.mp4</a></p>		
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	<p>Kelly Sinko reviewed some of the main points of the Health Enhancement Communities (HEC) Playbook.</p> <p>It was noted that the HEC Playbook will be on the next Community Health Subgroup meeting agenda for a fuller presentation and discussion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was a brief discussion on the HEC Playbook. It was suggested that the Playbook should have components for the health enhancement communities and collaboratives and be a playbook for the state to include what role the state will play.</li> <li>• There was a question about whether there have been considerations to work with larger corporations to bring their challenges with employees/employee’s health and funding. It was mentioned that additional discussions will happen on this topic.</li> <li>• It was noted that there is a need for long term financing. Some source of funding will be needed up front so communities can put programs in place to make a difference and then reward if they achieve the outcomes.</li> </ul> <p>For more information on this presentation, please see the link below.  <a href="https://ctvideo.ct.gov/ohs/CHSG_Meeting_Recording_09222021.mp4">https://ctvideo.ct.gov/ohs/CHSG_Meeting_Recording_09222021.mp4</a></p>		
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	<p>Ms. Sinko invited members of the public to provide public comment at this time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public comment was provided by Mark Schaefer. He spoke about the state financing being central to the premise of the HECs. An actuarial analysis was done and</li> </ul>		

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	<p>showed that the HECs could mitigate health risk ever so slightly over 10 years and could also create significant savings for Medicare and Medicaid. It was mentioned that DSS is in the process of recruiting for a new Medicaid Director. If the Medicaid director is hired in November or December, it seems premature to have a hard coded playbook. It was noted that regarding state financing, it would be eventually important to know where Medicaid sits on the financing issue.</p> <p>Ms. Sinko thanked Dr. Schaefer for his comments. For more information, please see the link below.  <a href="https://ctvideo.ct.gov/ohs/CHSG_Meeting_Recording_09222021.mp4">https://ctvideo.ct.gov/ohs/CHSG_Meeting_Recording_09222021.mp4</a></p>		
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The next Community Health Subgroup meeting is scheduled on October 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.</li> <li>• The motion was made by Rick Brush and seconded by Martha Page to adjourn the meeting.</li> <li>• The meeting adjourned at 3:44 p.m.</li> </ul>		

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