



SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

MEETING MINUTES

January 11th, 2019

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

2529 Route 52, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533

Attendees:

Hisieni Sacasa, HealthlinkNY	Stephanie Parenti, HealthlinkNY
Diane Labenski, HealthlinkNY	Jaime Mathew, HealthlinkNY
Susanne Callahan, Institute for Family Health	Caren Fairweather, MISN
Elizabeth Connolly, Dutchess County Department of Behavioral & Community Health	Ozie Williams, Dutchess County Department of Behavioral & Community Health
Jacqueline Lawler, Orange County DOH	Cheryl Hunter-Grant, LHVPN
Jasmine Cruz, Montefiore HV Collaborative	Michelle McKeon, RECAP

I. Welcome & Introductions

Hisieni Sacasa welcomed the group, introductions were made, and the meeting opened at approximately 1:10 PM.

II. Old Business

a. Bootcamp

Hisieni started the meeting off by discussing the Bootcamp that will be taking place this year. She explained that it will be a four-day training in which 5 organizations will be invited to create concrete policies surrounding equity and justice. There will be 3-5 representatives from each organization, with 1-2 from executive leadership and 1-3 from the general staff. Erika Bernabei will be the master of ceremonies and will be

leading multiple sessions throughout the 4 days. This event will be split into two 2-day segments with a month-long break in between each session.

III. New Business

a. Bootcamp

i. *Potential Speakers*

In the last SDOH meeting, there was a discussion about who can be used as the speakers for day 3 (topic speaker) and day 4 (keynote speaker) of this event. Robert Wingate, Lillian Jimenez, and Bonnie Reyna suggested some names in the previous meeting, and Hisieni and Jaime Mathew researched a few other potential speakers. A list of speakers was presented to this group, and many people gave their opinions on who should be used for this event. There was a consensus that Dr. Dennard Cummings, Dr. Susan Beane, and Dr. Traci Gardner would be great speakers for this event.

ii. *Event details and planning*

The dates of the first two days of the Bootcamp have been confirmed: April 29th and April 30th. Hisieni asked the group about whether the next two days of the Bootcamp should be held on June 17th and 18th or June 24th and 25th. It was stated by multiple people that June 17th and 18th were good dates for the second half of this event.

The title for the Bootcamp was also brought up by Hisieni. She stated that Erika called it the “Racial Equity in Health Fellowship for Advanced Members” in the initial proposal. Some people suggested that it sounds better without “Advanced Members”, so the new title for this event will be “Racial Equity in Health Fellowship”.

iii. *Marketing the event*

There was a question about how to place more value on the event so that attendees will commit to all 4 days. Some people suggested to have a

nominal registration fee, while others stated that it should be underwritten to provide scholarships and Continuing Education Units (CEUs). Jackie from Orange County DOH stated that Touro College can help provide those CEUs. Hisieni stated that she will first be opening the registration to the organizations within this workgroup, and if spots are still available, she will contact organizations who have attended previous Blueprint events.

b. Blueprints

Hisieni stated that there will be two Blueprint events this year: one in the upper Hudson Valley and one in the lower Hudson Valley. Many people suggested avoiding the holidays and Fridays, as fewer people would be able to attend during these times. The planning of these events will begin shortly with more details to come.

c. Behavioral Health Workgroup

Hisieni informed everyone that HealthlinkNY is planning to start up the Behavioral Health Workgroup again this year. She asked attendees to provide any information about relevant services/programs that we can use.

IV. Announcements

- a. Healthy Families in Rockland County is looking to recruit a support specialist, so a job posting is now available to the public.
- b. Caren from MISN stated that she will be retiring at the end of January, and there will be a new director in her position. She stated that she will still be there to help with the transition.

V. Adjourn

The meeting wrapped up and concluded at approximately 1:50 PM.

**Next Meeting:
February 8th, 2019
at 1:00 PM**



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