

Meeting notes: Performance Measurement Workgroup

DATE: 9.11.23

Attendance

Members present:

Amy Bowles (NW), Susan Michels (NE), Janet Goligowski (Central), Amanda Schuler (WC), Amina Abdullahi (Metro), Chera Sevcik (SC), Meaghan Sherden (SE), Chris Brueske (MDH), Kristin Osiecki (MDH), Ann Zukoski (MDH), Mary Orban (MDH)

Participants present:

Bree Allen (SC), Nicole Ruhoff (Central) Johanna Christensen (MDH), Jake Rueter (MDH); Allie Hawley-March (MDH)

Workgroup staff: Ann March (MDH), Ghazaleh Dadres (MDH)

Decisions made

- Vision of workgroup success agreement made. This will be revisited each year.
- Approach to moving forward with performance measures for foundational responsibilities agreed upon.

Meeting notes

Updates

Information and updates around the following were provided:

- The connection between SCHSAC and the JLT, and the different workgroups and subcommittees of each. [SCHSAC: State Community Health Services Advisory Committee - MN Dept. of Health](#) and [Joint leadership team and subgroups - MN Dept. of Health \(state.mn.us\)](#)
- Joint Leadership team adopted the national model of the foundational public health framework.
- Cost and capacity assessment-JLT developing key findings, results and toolkits to use the results coming this fall
- Funding formula WG-meeting and expecting recommendations to SCHSAC in December. There may be implications for our workgroup in their work.

Sharing from the field

Workgroup members provided updates. Highlights include:

- The MDH Office of Data Strategy and Interoperability (DSI) is working on performance measures, for example customer satisfaction with our Data Technical Assistance projects.
- DSI also working on using the metadata in the MDH Data Catalog, which DSI product manages, to create agency-wide measures that are relevant to our agency goals. (showing the percent of MDH data sets that have disaggregated race/ethnicity data over time, with a goal of increasing that percentage)
- Central region: Talked about the linkage with the FPHR funding group; Discussed the PHEP oversight group is discussing measures for those grant duties; Lots of measures could be chosen, how many is enough vs too many, broad vs detailed.
- NE region: The performance measurement should be directly tied to the foundational public health capabilities. Find the appropriate balance of subjective/self-reported performance benchmarks, and objective measurements (which seem harder to brainstorm initially, but eventually more useful in seeing how the counties compare to one another, as well as alongside the benchmarks we are trying to achieve as a state)
- NW region: curious if workgroup will focus measures around foundational capabilities and - how will the work we are doing work in harmony with one of the other work groups, specifically funding workgroup.
- DHS performance measurement initiatives: DHS HS performance measures focuses on broad statements like measuring children's stability and then uses measures from data in the program areas of economic assistance, child protection, child support. Suggestion to review how they are doing this work.

Revisit vision for success:

Workgroup members revisited past work on what success will look like for the workgroup. They considered and agreed upon the following guideposts for the work ahead:

- Connect our (MDH and LPH) work to the betterment of health
- Engage interested parties and partners throughout the process
- Collect clear, meaningful, reliable, and relevant data with minimal burden of collection and reporting
- Collect data that helps us understand how our system works for population groups that experience disparities in health outcomes
- Establish realistic and relevant goals for success
- Make performance data and information easy to access, use, and understand
- Use the performance data to drive action to improve our (MDH and LPH) system
- Communicate about the strengths and gaps of our system

- Reflect on learnings and use of what we learn to continuously improve

The workgroup will relook at these once of year. Members would like to continue to explore what equity looks like in this work, and if everyone sees themselves in the in the results, geographically (frontier, rural, metro, etc.) and the differing capacities for performance. For future iterations, it was suggested to narrow the themes down further.

Information to inform approach ideas

Workgroup members considered the following:

- Newly adopted (in MN) national framework for public health foundational responsibilities
- National measures (PHAB) alignment with the national framework; cross walk with foundational capabilities
- Performance measurement work in other states: Oregon, Ohio, Kansas (materials on other states can be found on our new Performance Measurement Workgroup Basecamp).
- Cost and capacity findings (from 2023 legislative report) [Transforming Minnesota's Public Health System for the 21st Century: Report to the Legislature \(state.mn.us\)](https://www.state.mn.us/leg/legx/ltr/2023/20230001.html)

Workgroup members explored a couple approach ideas generated from discussion during the last meeting. The workgroup agreed to pursue an approach of aligning with national measures identified in PHAB version 2022.

Workgroup business

Ann M. will reach out regarding terms of service.

Workgroup members are experiencing barriers to using the Teams channel set up for this group, so a switch to Basecamp will be made.