

Meeting notes: Performance Measurement Workgroup

DATE: 4.1.24

ATTENDANCE

Members present:

Susan Michels (NE), Amy Bowles (NW), Angie Hasbrouck (WC), Meaghan Sherden (SW), Chera Sevcik, (SC), Janet Goligowski (C), Michelle Ebberts (SE), Amina Abdullahi (Metro), Chris Brueske (MDH), Kristin Osiecki (MDH), Mary Orban (MDH), and Rod Peterson (SCHSAC).

Participants present:

Nicole Ruhoff (Central), Joanne Erspamer (NE), Laura Guzman-Corrales (MDH), Rebecca Schmidt (WC), Melanie Countryman (Metro), Murphy Anderson (MDH), and Allie Hawley-March (MDH)

Workgroup staff:

Ann March
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Decisions made

No formal decisions at this meeting

Action items

- If you haven't already, complete the short meeting evaluation (5 minutes): <https://www.menti.com/a1483w29kuhv>.
- Share workgroup highlights with those in your region (LPH reps) or other interested parties. You are welcome to use the "sharing from the field" padlet (<https://padlet.com/annmarch/sharing-from-the-field-d8xs3imtlhrs4wtc>) to record any input received (from regions or other interested parties) related to our governmental public health system performance measurement work.
- A padlet was created as a shared space to add potential measures. Members and participants are welcome to add potential measures to the padlet at any time.
<https://padlet.com/annmarch/measures-of-system-performance-gahl60u0xklgocha>

Talking points

- The workgroup's workplan for 2024 includes continued work identifying performance measures for both MDH and LPH, setting goals for progress, developing reports, and communicating out findings from 2023 reporting.
- An inventory of measures will be developed as an initial step, then the workgroup will prioritize measures. The workgroup is interested in considering data about the system that is already

collected. The MDH Data Strategy and Interoperability (DSI) data catalog project will be utilized by the workgroup to locate existing data sets that potentially have measures we can use. Also looking at evaluation data collected through major funding sources (such as SHIP) as a source for existing performance measures about our system.

Meeting notes

Sharing from the field and updates

- Commissioner Peterson shared updates received from the Association of Minnesota Counties on bills that impact health and human services agencies, including the cannabis legislation, EMS funding, child well-being initiatives, and funding for social services information system (SSIS) updates.
- In the NE, a practice has been implemented where a few minutes are allocated at each Community Health Board meeting to discuss one to three of the foundational public health responsibilities. This discussion includes an explanation of these responsibilities and how they are implemented in real life within each county. During updates from local public health leaders, the focus is on illustrating how these responsibilities are carried out on the ground. Program managers and staff highlight their work in alignment with these areas of focus.
- Local Public Health Act annual reporting on staffing, finance, and the performance measures established by the workgroup, is now open through April 12. Once annual reporting closes, MDH staff will analyze data and it will be brought to the workgroup for review and discussion in the coming months. Planning is also underway around a future shift of finance and staffing to be aligned with the Foundational Public Health Responsibility Framework. Currently it is organized around the six areas of responsibility. Input from workgroup members has been included in the planning, and engagement with members will continue to inform this process and planning.
- Cost and capacity: A live Q&A session on the cost and capacity report is scheduled for April 3rd, 2024. The University of Minnesota will provide insights into the cost and capacity dashboards and how to utilize the data for communication purposes. The session will include a Q&A segment with public health leaders and will be recorded for later access.
- SCHSAC FPHR workgroup: A new workgroup was recommended by the Funding Formula workgroup to establish minimum standards for what it means to meet foundational public health responsibilities. As part of their work, they'll aim to add more definition to the foundational responsibilities and distinguish between foundational statewide and community-specific efforts.

Performance Measurement Inventory

Data catalog project

Chris Brueske, Director of the Office of Data Strategy and Interoperability at MDH, provided overview of the data catalog project underway at MDH and how the project could be used to inform our system performance measure efforts. Highlights include:

- The project aims to modernize the data catalog to create a centralized directory of electronic data sets within MDH.

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- The catalog is part of the data governance framework and is essential for data management and accessibility.
- Key Components of the Data Catalog: The catalog contains metadata describing the data sets rather than the data itself; It facilitates data discovery, usability, and security while adhering to standards, policies, and rules; New functionality includes enhanced search tools, fitness indicators for data sets, and usage guidelines.
- Data stewards play a crucial role in identifying, maintaining, and updating data sets within their assigned programs. The project team is updating the catalog with input from data stewards through surveys and training.
- External partners, including local public health agencies, are considered potential users of the catalog.
- The catalog's metadata can potentially serve as performance measures and aid in determining available system data.

Shared Inventory

A padlet was created to collect potential performance measures (<https://padlet.com/annmarch/measures-of-system-performance-gahl60u0xklgocha>) The workgroup can add potential measures at any time. More work will be done here during future meetings. The workgroup contributed ideas about measure approach:

- Noted preliminary report on what areas and capabilities CHBs are investing FPHR funds. Foundational capabilities appear to be where the most CHBs are focusing those dollars, particularly organizational competencies, community partnership development, equity, communication and assessment and surveillance).
- Evaluation data and information collected through SHIP shows potential for measures around policy and community partnership development. Other major grants can be viewed through a similar lens. Suggestion to look into other funding consistent across every county and identify shared measurement.
- Consideration needed around what level system performance measures need to be in order to tell us something important about the system functioning, but not getting too in the weeds.
- Consideration around how the measures may need to be different for state and local based on roles and responsibilities of each.
- Recommendation that are measures are clear and concise.
- Suggestion that our measures could inform the work of other workgroups-EHCIB, PHEP oversight. Our movement forward on measures could happen before they get to that point in their work. Curiosity about if those workgroups are looking at national measures.
- Suggestion to look at aligning foundational areas with national measures.