

Health Trends and Data Committee

October 11, 2006

RMPRC Conference Room

Present: Sue Davis, Emily Elliott, Julie Marshall, Nancy Molina, Sandra Santa Cruz, Liza Marron, Paula Hendricks on phone

Introductions

Reports:

Quit Line Numbers – Paula (information furnished by Della)

- Reports of volume by county (e.g. age, gender, level of education, ethnicity, pregnancy)
 - We received reports on Quit Net 2005 and Quit Line 2006.
- Paid for by Amendment 25 Tobacco money
- Proven by CDC that counseling is the best way to quit smoking; group counseling is not as productive as phone counseling especially for more rural areas
- Resources are Spanish and English speaking Quit Line coaches, most often nurses
- Free nicotine replacement patches were able to be offered this past year
- Sandra – numbers look low
 - Paula – These are actually higher than average compared to the previous year.
- No advertising has been happening lately because numbers were so high this last year when nicotine replacement therapy was offered.
- Reports are available on the STEPP website to anyone who wants them.
- These services are available to anyone.
- We will have the Quit Line number on billboards in Alamosa.

- Liza - Hispanic disparities survey was done by Public Nursing. All Hispanics that Liza surveyed in Saguache County knew about Quit Line, wanted to quit, but didn't feel like they could.
- Sue – Are these numbers individuals or calls?
 - PAULA WILL RESEARCH this question as well as what the denominators are (to see if we are on par with other, larger counties).
- Great American Smoke-Out in November and New Year's, as well as the beginning of nicotine patch giveaway and Smoke-free legislation July 1st equaled high numbers for the Quit Line/Quit Net.

Background/Discussion

- Several county health nurses were engaged by the state to do MAPP. They needed to collect data and were trying to figure out how to do this. County Nursing wants to be more proactive rather than reactive with this data collection, and wants to be coordinating across counties. The RMPRC is involved with research collection for projects, so everyone is excited about how we can collaborate.
- Liza has gone to John Stump for data in the past, so he might be an important partner.
 - This defined a goal – “Make sure the right partners are involved.”

- RMPRC is sharing a 0.5 FTE Evaluation Coordinator with CPP. This person could be involved with the interpretation of this data.
- We should be working with OMNI, as well as with the local CPP evaluators in other counties – these people could assist when this data collection happens.
 - Conejos, Rio Grande and Saguache
- The evaluation coordinators should be involved with this committee. For now, Sue will act as chairperson.
 - Sue will report to the SLV Prevention Coalition meeting on 10/11.
- Julie is the RMPRC Director, with a focus in epidemiology - predicting trends (person, place and time) in disease/epidemics.

Goals and Strategies

Name change from “*EPI Committee*” to “*Health Trends and Data Committee*”

Vision

Health stakeholders, policy makers and community members are accessing and effectively using data resources.

Mission

To collaborate, coordinate and streamline the collection, analysis and dissemination of health information in order to make data friendly and useful for the community.

Goals

- 1) Increase access & use of local data
 - a. Catalog available data
 - b. Advocate value of data
- 2) Identify data gaps
 - a. Determine availability of MAPP indicators
 - b. Determine what data is needed to evaluate prevention coalition impact
- 3) Coordinate collection of quality data valley-wide

- a. Identify resources to support data collection
 - b. Bring together partners with common data needs
- 4) Disseminate findings
 - a. Store data in ASPIRE
 - i. Train on using ASPIRE
 - b. Build capacity of stakeholders to access and interpret data
 - c. Use data to make program decisions
 - i. E.g. CPP strategic planning
 - 5) Evaluate Health Trends and Data Committee (HTDC)

Next Meeting/Follow-Up

- Tuesday, November 14th at 8:30 am
- Have everyone look at Vision, Mission and Goals/Strategies and review/polish these for the next meeting.
- Liza will navigate the committee through ASPIRE
- Paula will serve as a liaison for the Media and HTD committee.
- Paula will report back questions on the Quit Line data.
- Julie will bring examples of data.
- Liza will send Sue email address of all evaluation coordinators to be added to the mailing list

Minutes by Emily Elliott