

## Public Health Futures- Quality Indicators Work Group

Ohio Department of Health  
246 North High Street  
7<sup>th</sup> Floor Large Conference Room

December 11, 2013  
1:00- 3:00 PM

### **Meeting Summary**

#### Welcome and Introductions

Participation at ODH: Joe Mazzola, ODH; Mahjabeen Qadir, ODH; Amy Stevens, HPIO; William McHugh, ODH; Nicole Brennan, ODH, Bruce Bronzan, Trilogy Inc. Participation via phone/web: Claire Boettler, CCBH; Terry Allan, CCBH; Ron Graham, LCGHD; Corey Hamilton, ZMCHD; Jason Orcena, UCHD; Beth Bickford, AOHC; Joe Harrod, OEH; Jennifer Scofield, County Executive Cuyahoga County; Tom Quade, Marion Public Health

#### Previous Meeting Summary

It was noted again the importance to cross-reference the PHAB domains with the proposed indicators. The work group changed the preparedness indicator to reflect those considerations with support from ODH. Following the preparedness conversation, other indicators discussed included MAC, EPI, adult smoking, ODRS, environmental health and immunizations. Discussion did not occur for infant mortality, injury, community engagement and vital statistics. Changes made include the following:

#### Outline for Rules

There were two changes considered to alter the draft rules. The first proposal included outlining the core service area and the quality indicator. The second was to include language in section (A) outlining how future changes to the indicators may occur in collaboration with the health districts. Though both suggestions were important, it was noted the clarity of the core service and indicator was more significant than the additional language for future revisions. The work group unanimously agreed to language which included the core service area as measured (not defined) by the quality indicator. The second proposal of language defining how future indicators would be changed was not agreed to by ODH given absence of statutory authority of the work group. The group did vote to move forward without that change and recognized there is opportunity for future revisions under the existing rules process including the stakeholder advisory groups and the Ohio Public Health Advisory Board. It was also recommended the language be changed to reflect the

#### Discussion and Identification of Indicators

Prior to discussion of the specific indicators, Mr. Bruce Bronzan with Trilogy, Inc. provided an overview of the Network of Care system. Network of Care provides communities a dashboard for national, state and local data. ODH will be working with Trilogy to customize a dashboard for all local health districts as well as a state dashboard with emphasis on the state health improvement plan and quality indicators. ODH will be convening a group to discuss how best to implement with intent to have system operational by July 1, 2014. The group then went through each of the remaining indicators. Significant decisions include:

- Removing the perinatal smoking rate indicator

- Keeping the environmental health indicator recognizing 1) ODH and OEHA will define the four service markers for approval of the broader group; 2) limitation in terms of electronic data; 3) limitation to conduct annual surveys
- Added language for electronic data management system(s) to include clinical, environmental and/or administration
- Template will include “expectation and goal” references as provided by the work group for added context
- All of the indicators were “voted” on and approved to be included in the final draft rules
- Research will be done to crosswalk the indicators and domains 8 and 12

The meeting concluded with the group unanimously deciding the rules language and the indicators were ready to move forward for public comment. ODH will work with the members in terms of communication with local health departments and other stakeholders throughout the rules process including the Ohio Public Health Advisory Board. Updated rules and other references will be added to the work group website.

<http://www.odh.ohio.gov/localhealthdistricts/Futures/Quality%20Indicators.aspx>