



**Carroll County Public Health Advisory Council
Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, October 3rd: 9:00-11:00am**

C3PH Offices, 1230 Rt. 16, Ossipee, NH *(next to John Deere)*

Call-in Number: 603-766-5646 **Participant code:** 425100

Agenda

Quick Introductions

- Once around the table:
 - Huggins Hospital:

Is working toward finalizing their combination with Dartmouth Hitchcock. The Huggins Board Approved. The combination will be “Dartmouth Hitchcock Granite One Health.” Additional funding opportunity for the Huggins Rural Health Network was announced through HRSA. This FOA is being reviewed by Huggins grants team. Any additional support from RHN members will be requested as needed.

- Eastern Lakes Region Housing Coalition (website: <http://www.elrhc.org/>):
Planning a spring housing symposium. Send any ideas/contacts to Monika: mocclair@hugginshospital.org

- Northern Human Services:
Now has a Housing Coordinator that serves NHS’ catchment area. Her name is Claudia Martin.

PHAC EC Makeup and Governing Principles

- Forms for renewed EC Members: Please review, sign, and return conflict of interest form. Marianne completed form. Form will be emailed to Sue.

- 2 Current Vacancies
 - Education:

Discussed exploring options outside of public school/K12, such as adult ed, post-secondary education partners (Community College, Granite State, etc.). Send recommendations to Caleb.

- Housing:
Committee decided that housing was well represented by current members: Monika is a board member of the Eastern Lakes Region Housing Coalition, Marianne oversees the Gibson Center’s Homeshare initiative, and Sue Ruka is a part of the Regional Coordination Council.

- Business:
Discussed the desire to have a representative from the business community as an EC member. Caleb conducted outreach with board of the Wentworth Area Economic Development Council, but no interest was indicated. Please send recommendations to Caleb.

- Emergency/First responders

Doug indicated a desire to recruit a PHAC EC member from the emergency/first responder field (fire, EMS, etc.). Caleb will explore potential candidates with Jeff Jones, C3PH PHEP Coordinator.

PHAC Work Plan Review

- Group review of work plan (work plan was submitted to DHHS in August, awaiting initial feedback)

Group decided to tentatively accept the work plan as is and allow for feedback to be submitted by the end of the following week (10/11/19). Please forward any feedback/edits to Caleb by 10/11/19.

- CHIP Revision

Group discussed the desire to develop a plan for revising the Community Health Improvement Plan that reviews data/pertinent information and allows for community input. Caleb will work to develop a plan/timeline for the revision process and share at next PHAC EC meeting.

CHIP/Program Updates:

- Continuum of Care for Substance Use Disorder and Mental Health Service
 - “Carroll County Responds”

Meetings continue to grow in membership and diversity.

- NH DOT Planning Survey

Catalina learned through her participation on the Regional Coordinating Council that Carroll County recorded the most responses on the NH DOT survey that was conducted this fall, versus any other county/region of the state.

- Suicide Prevention

Through working with partners such as Sandwich PD, NAMI NH, Northern Human Services, Off the Dock Players, and M&D Productions; a response to the play “Night Mother” (which deals with suicide) was planned and implemented. This included a forum in Sandwich, and “talk back” and resource tables at both play locations in Sandwich and North Conway.

- Carroll County House of Corrections

Superintendent Henry has been working to get an MAT policy approved for the jail. Several meetings and a community forum have been held to educate the County Commissioners and community members on this topic. Catalina attended a meeting on Wednesday, 10/2/19 (link to Conway Daily Sun article [here](#)) to provide information on MAT and talk about access to services through the jail.

Commissioners have not approved the policy, but the jail will implement its components if needed. Future meetings will be held on this topic.

- ED Recovery Supports at Memorial:

Through White Horse and Mount Washington Valley Supports Recovery, emergency recovery supports have been established at Memorial Hospital.

- Huggins MAT Program

Work is still ongoing to establish Huggins’ MAT program. It is expected to be up and running in the coming months. Be on the lookout for more information.

- Substance Misuse Prevention
 - Recovery Friendly Work Places

There are currently 6 employers in Carroll County. More prospects have been identified and it is expected that this number will continue to grow.

- DEA Takeback Day

Takes place on Saturday, October 26th from 10am to 2pm.

- Emergency Preparedness
 - School Based Flu Clinics

Will be ongoing during early October. Two have been completed to date.

- Huggins Drive Thru Flu Clinic

Clinics will be taking place: Tuesday, October 8th from 10am to 2pm and Thursday, October 10th from 2 to 6pm. More info here: <https://www.hugginshospital.org/resources/events/59/support/ELRCHF>

- State Response to Hepatitis A is still ongoing

- Aging
 - VNHCH Palliative Care

Program has been established and is being implemented through Long Term Care and Skilled Living patients. This program will focus of chronic conditions and end of life care. It is the first of its kind in the greater Mount Washington Valley. Will be working to disseminate information regarding this program through partners.

- MWV Adult Day Center

Grand Opening was held on September 19th with 185 attendees. Currently working on finalizing Medicaid and VA contracts. The ADC is planning to open a dementia resource center, focusing on early detection of memory loss/dementia. The Center will also be working to integrate intergenerational programming and has plans to host Children Unlimited for story time and Music and Memory programming. The ADC is also using evidence based, structured activities to help improve memory.

- Age-Friendly Health System

Marianne will be meeting with Anne D. from NH Alliance for Healthy Aging regarding Institute for Healthcare Improvement's Age-Friendly Health System's initiative. More information will be forthcoming.

- Project Echo for Dementia Care

A large group of providers from the greater MWV participated in the first tristate (NH, ME, & VT) Project Echo meeting. Marianne is the convener of the MWV group. The group will meet monthly and each group will have a chance to present a case study. The Project allows for collaboration across Northern New England and provides access to "faculty" (respected professionals from the field of dementia care).

- Tufts Health Foundation Volunteer Registry

MWV Age-Friendly Community applied for grant to establish a Volunteer Registry. Awards will be announced soon. Group discussed Volunteer NH as a volunteer registry option if grant is not won.

- Freedom Senior Services Coordinator.

Freedom has hired a coordinator.

- Chronic Disease

Data on chronic conditions shows that this is an issue worth noting in Carroll County; seems to be a gap in addressing this in a concerted way. Marianne will be attending Coalition to Transform Advanced Care (C-TAC) conference on ACP and chronic care. More information to come.

- Early Childhood

- Carroll County Early Childhood Coalition:

Children unlimited will be facilitating meeting for northern Carroll County. Children Unlimited hold the Preschool Development Grant and are working to conduct focus groups to gather data.

Caleb will work with Schelley to pull together a group in southern Carroll. Caleb and Schelley will act as liaisons between two groups.

Other Updates:

- Lead Follow-up

Brief due to DHHS 10/31/19. Healthy Families America is still awaiting the finalization of policy to implement lead dusting for families they work with. Some strategies to consider in CC: outreach to pediatricians (we are at 50% for 2year old lead tests). Others include building code work, kindergarten registration process, etc. Will share brief.

Next PHAC EC Meeting: Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 30, 2020.