

Date: August 4, 2011
TO: Members of the Columbus Office of Minority Health Advisory Committee (COMH)
From: Ryan E. Johnson
RE: COMH Quarterly Meeting Minutes- July 12, 2011

Introductions

In attendance: Sandy Cornett (OSU), Robyn Taylor (ODH), Chip Allen (ODH), Hibo Noor (COMH), Ryan E. Johnson (COMH), Fred Johnson (COMH), Dru Bagley (WCHAC), Mahdi Warsama (MASI), Fareeda McClinton Griffith (DU), Shelley A. Francis (OSU), Angela Mingo (NC), Sherry Cornelius (HH), Katie Harms (HH), Roda Hassan (NCG), Faith Seck (IWU), Karen Jobu ((OAAHC), Justin Shum (AACS), Michael Johnson ((ST), Josue Vicente (OHC), Barbara Beckwith (OSU), Ahmed Abdi (ASBA), and Wendy West (OSCA)

Local Office of Minority Health Survey

Committee members were asked to complete a survey asking about your views of the accomplishments and challenges experienced by the Local Office of Minority Health on whose advisory board you serve. It is very important to the Ohio Commission on Minority Health that it receive input from as many board members as possible.

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=uYJPEJ2BawGqSwwLT_2bE7w_3d_3d

A summary report will be provided to committee members by the next meeting. If you have questions about the survey, please contact Carla Clasen, carla.clasen@wright.edu, 937-258-5543.

Racism and Infant Mortality

Pat Lyons provided the committee with an update on the April launch of the orientation toolkit addressing racism and infant mortality. **Please SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, September 13, 2011, Columbus Public Health Auditorium, 8:30-11a.m.** In recognition of National Infant Mortality Awareness Month, Dr. Arthur James will present to the group his work in Michigan and his plans for advancing his work in Ohio.

Advisory Committee Roles

The COMH will focus on the development of subcommittees to share the workload of the local office. Committee members were asked to serve on one of these subcommittees. Listed below is a description of the three local office subcommittees as discussed during the quarterly meeting:

Training and Capacity

The Training and Development subcommittee of the Columbus Office of Minority Health will be responsible for advising the local office on issues regarding training, development, and capacity building among CPH staff and community residents regarding minority health and consumer empowerment.

- Cora Munoz
- Wendy Berry-West
- Sandy Cornett
- Faith Seck
- Roda Hassan
- Jose Vicente
- Ahmed Abdi
- Robyn Taylor

Outreach and Engagement

The Outreach and Engagement Subcommittee of the Columbus Office of Minority Health provides support and advice to the local office and community partners on better outreach and

engagement strategies to the community. The committee will assist the local office in developing its approach to marketing, communications, and community presentations.

- Dru Bagley
- David Sawyer
- Angela Mingo
- Barbara Beckwith
- James Ragland
- Mahdi Warsama
- Michael Johnson
- Sherry Cornelius
- Katie Harms

Monitoring and Reporting

The Monitoring and Reporting subcommittee of the Columbus Office of Minority Health is responsible for providing advice and counsel to the successful implementation of the COMH workplan, Health Equity Plan, and publications produced by the local office. The committee will also monitor relevant minority health data and resources and advise the local office on how to better utilize this information.

- Karen Jiobu
- Kevin Dixon
- Anne Trinh
- Fareeda Griffith
- Shelley Francis
- Chip Allen

Minority Health Month RFP

April is Minority Health Month. In 1989 the Ohio Commission on Minority Health developed the concept of a high-visibility campaign designed to focus on health awareness and disease prevention. This 30-day campaign consists of numerous activities designed to solicit the interest and participation of minorities or providers of health services to minority populations.

- The Ohio Commission on Minority Health announces the availability of the Request for Proposal (RFP) for Minority Health Month (MHM) 2012 grants. The maximum award for this grant program is \$3,000 per agency.
- The application can be found on the Ohio Commission on Minority Health website (www.mih.ohio.gov)
- Grant deadline: Received in the Commission office no later than Monday, August 22, 2011 by 5pm.

MACC Conference

The Columbus Office of Minority Health will be participating in the Multiethnic Advocates for Cultural Competence (MACC) and the National Leadership Council on African American Behavioral Health (NLC) 2011 National Training Conference "Informing Cultural Competence through Research and Best Practices—Eliminating Disparities across Systems":

- September 28-30
- The Embassy Suites, Columbus – Airport, 2886 Airport Drive, Columbus, OH 43219. The local office presentation is scheduled for **Friday, September 30 from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm.**
- The workshop will be: Addressing Health Disparities through the Local Offices of Minority Health.....This presentation will include information on Ohio's efforts to create an infrastructure that works to inform, educate and empower communities to eliminate disparities and social determinants as they relate to the pursuit of health equity.

Next COMH Advisory Committee Meeting Date

Tuesday, October 12, 2011 @ 10:00am Columbus Public Health Conference Room 119-C (240 Parsons Avenue)
