Goal 1: Infrastructure

Third Annual DCPG Face to Face Meeting in September

We are in the process of planning our third annual Disability Community Planning Group (DCPG) face to face meeting, which will take place in September. More information about the meeting, including date, time, and location will be sent out soon as a “save the date”. We are looking forward to meeting with our DCPG partners face to face, and hope that you will be able to attend.

Goal 2: Health Surveillance

Addition of Disability Screening Questions to Ohio’s Youth Tobacco Survey

ODHP is working on getting disability screener questions on the Ohio’s Youth Tobacco Survey (YTS) which currently has no disability identifiers. The addition of these screening questions would allow data showing the rates of tobacco use and other health risk behaviors among youth with disabilities to be collected.

Analysis of Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance Survey Data

ODHP is working with our data partner Tim Sahr at the Government Resource Center to analyze the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance Survey (YRBSS) 2013 data to learn more about the trends and health risk behaviors of youth with disabilities and without disabilities. Ohio was able to get 2 disability screening questions on to the 2013 YRBSS. We will create a factsheet/report summarizing the findings of the analysis. The findings from the data analyses will help ODHP to identify the health disparities faced by this population and will also help guide and inform our program activities related to youth in Ohio.

CDC Medicaid Workgroup

The CDC is working with disability and health grantee states to analyze states’ Medicaid data as it relates to disability. CDC is hoping to specifically examine Medicaid data from a single state to learn more about Medicaid claims data and disability status. ODHP participated in CDC’s Medicaid Workgroup Call to brainstorm ideas for CDC’s initiative with state Medicaid claims data.

Goal 3: Health Policy

Second HPIO Brief on Disability and Health to be Released Summer 2014

ODHP has been working with the Health Policy Institute of Ohio to develop policy briefs on people with disabilities. ODHP recently provided content for the 2nd brief on PWD and also reviewed the draft. The second brief focuses on laying out the challenges faced by the disability
community and the impact on their health outcomes due to those challenges, as well as providing examples of state and federal provisions to mitigate some of those challenges. The brief also provides recommendations/strategies on what can be done moving forward to address these issues. This brief will be released end of July and will be another great resource for Ohio.

Statewide Health Disparities Collaborative

ODHP is providing a follow-up to questions proposed by Statewide Health Disparities Collaborative members at our previous March meeting regarding disability disparities and racial/ethnic disparities. ODHP will present data from Willi-Horner Johnson’s published work to demonstrate that people with disabilities face distinct health disparities. We are on the agenda at the July 21st meeting.

Development of Disability and Health GMIS Tab at the Ohio Department of Health

ODHP met with the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) Grants Chief and others from the department to discuss the process of changing RFA language to be more inclusive of people with disabilities. We are working to develop a Disability and Health tab that will be added to ODH’s Grants Management Information System (GMIS), and would ensure that RFAs require potential grantees to address the disability population in their project planning.

Goal 4: Health Promotion

Healthy Lifestyles Train-the-Trainer Sessions

A third Healthy Lifestyles train-the-trainer workshop (which covers emotional, social, physical, spiritual health and health through meaningful activities) was held in Northeastern Ohio in June. 21 participants representing different agencies across the state attended this 2-day train-the-trainer workshop, and completed an organizational commitment form. Contact Erica Coleman for more information about Healthy Lifestyles: 513-803-4399, Erica.Coleman@cchmc.org

Education Seminars for Breast Sonographers

A Women with Disabilities Training Seminar for Mammography Technologists was held in Northeastern Ohio in June. 32 attendees from across the state received training about serving women with disabilities. Panelists consisted of women with disabilities and technologists sharing best practices, and attending technologists received CEU credit. Contact Erica Coleman for more information about these seminars: 513-803-4399, Erica.Coleman@cchmc.org

Mammography Accessibility Assessment Project

Two mammography facility accessibility assessments were completed in Northeastern and Southwestern Ohio. A total of 21 mammography facility assessments have been completed. Two more assessments are currently being scheduled. We have also begun to follow up with assessed sites to collect information relating to changes made regarding accessibility concerns. Contact Erica Coleman for more information about these seminars: 513-803-4399, Erica.Coleman@cchmc.org
ODHP Attended OPCC’s General Meeting

ODHP attended the Ohio Partner for Cancer Control’s (OPCC) general meeting to discuss the 2014-2018 Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan for Ohio.

Goal 5: Access to Care

Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) Accessibility Assessments

ODHP is working with Ohio Association of Community Health Centers (OACHC) to reach the FQHCs regarding our assessment offerings. We are utilizing positive testimonials from FQHC sites that have already done an assessment with us. We have also developed a F.A.Q. sheet about the accessibility assessment process and a webpage with more information to help with recruiting interested sites. This page and F.A.Q. can be found at www.nisonger.osu.edu/odhp/accessibilityassessment. Please contact Yiping Yang regarding this project, (614) 688-2928 or Yiping.Yang@osumc.edu.

Goal 6: Emergency Preparedness

Materials from 2014 Functional Needs Summit Available Online


First Responder and Emergency Planner Training Videos

ODHP is working with a developer to set up a web platform for our two video disability trainings for first responders and emergency planners. Both trainings are now completed and ODHP will be sharing the trainings with our DCPG and other partners in the next few weeks. The first responder training will be available for continuing education credit through The Ohio State University Center for EMS as soon as development of the web platform has been completed. We are also working with the Ohio Emergency Management Agency (EMA) to find hosting sites for the emergency planner training to ensure that the training is visible to these personnel.

Goal 7: Effectively Monitor and Evaluate Program Activities