Goal 1: Infrastructure

DCPG Face-to-Face Meeting – Held September 14th in Columbus

Thanks again to all who attended ODHP’s 4th Annual Disability Community Planning Group Face-to-Face Meeting! This yearly face to face meeting provides an important opportunity for our DCPG partners to network, hear updates on ODHP activities, and provide guidance for program activities for the coming year. This year’s meeting with highly productive and we appreciate all the feedback we received from DCPG partners.

ODHP Collaboration with NACCHO

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) and the Ohio Disability and Health Program are planning to collaborate in the coming year to better engage Ohio’s local health departments around disability. This collaboration will help us strengthen our relationships and impact at the local level.

ODHP Presentation at National Association of the Dually Diagnosed (NADD) Ohio State Conference

ODHP presented a session, “Improving Preparedness for Ohioans with Disabilities,” at the NADD Ohio focused on our efforts to improve emergency preparedness for Ohioans with disabilities at the individual, local, and state level. Schedule can be found here: http://thenadd.org/handouts/ohio/

Upcoming ODHP Presentations at AUCD and APHA Conferences

ODHP will be presenting a poster, “Identifying Health Behavior Status and Disparities among Youth with Disabilities in Ohio,” and an oral presentation, “Improving Emergency Preparedness for Ohioans with Disabilities: Implementing a Broad Impact Approach,” at the upcoming American Public Health Association (APHA) meeting in Chicago, October 31st – November 4th. Information about ODHP’s inclusion effort will also be presented in an oral presentation at APHA by Adrian Griffen of AUCD, “Healthy Living for All: How Sixby’15 Campaign Works to Include People with Disabilities in Public Health.”

ODHP will also be presenting a poster at the upcoming annual Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD) conference in Washington, D.C. November 16 -18th, “Increasing Smoking Cessation Among People with Disabilities in Ohio: Raising Awareness of the Ohio Tobacco Quit Line.”

Goal 2: Health Surveillance

2015 Ohio Medicaid Assessment Survey (OMAS) Data

ODHP attended the 2015 OMAS event to about the data surveillance opportunities in the 2015 OMAS dataset. ODHP looks forward to analyzing this data in the coming year to provide an update on the state of disability and health in Ohio.

Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) Fact Sheet Dissemination

ODHP created factsheets sharing information on health risk behaviors among high school students with disability in Ohio: “Disability and Health Among Ohio High School Students in 2013”, “Disability and Bullying in Ohio”, and “Substance Use: Youth with Disabilities in Ohio.”
PDFs of these materials are available on the ODHP website: [http://nisonger.osu.edu/odhp/products](http://nisonger.osu.edu/odhp/products) and have been added to the Ohio Department of Health’s website: [http://www.odh.ohio.gov/odhprograms/chss/ad_hlth/youthrsk/youthrsk1.aspx](http://www.odh.ohio.gov/odhprograms/chss/ad_hlth/youthrsk/youthrsk1.aspx)

If you are interested in receiving printed copies of these materials, please contact Rosalind Gjessing at rosalind.gjessing@osumc.edu or (614) 688-2928.

**Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) Analysis of Race/Ethnicity and Disability Intersection**

ODHP is continuing our analysis of the YRBS data by students’ disability status and racial/ethnic group to learn more about how the intersection of race and disability impacts students’ health risk behaviors. We are collaborating with the OSU Kirwan Institute to present a webinar sharing this information.

**Goal 3: Health Policy**

**Health Policy Institute of Ohio (HPIO) Meetings**

ODHP’s health policy specialist attended an HPIO health equity meeting and is working to add disability as a health indicator for [Health Value Dashboard](http://nisonger.osu.edu/odhp/resources/healthpromotion). The health policy specialist also attended an HPIO Prevention and Public Health Advisory Board meeting to establish priorities for 2016.

**Cultural Competency Trainings at Ohio Department of Health**

Our health policy specialist has been attending meetings around cultural competency training efforts at state agencies to ensure that people with disabilities are represented in these trainings.

**Goal 4: Health Promotion**

**Ohio Tobacco Cessation Materials for People with Disabilities**

ODH’s Tobacco Cessation Program and ODHP have created 2 posters and 1 brochure promoting the Ohio Tobacco Quit Line among people with disabilities. ODHP and the Ohio Department of Health’s tobacco program are continuing to distribute these materials to organizations throughout the state. An order from for these free materials is available on the ODHP website: [http://nisonger.osu.edu/odhp/resources/healthpromotion](http://nisonger.osu.edu/odhp/resources/healthpromotion). Please fill out the order form and e-mail it to tobaccoprevention@odh.ohio.gov to place your order and help get these great materials out into the community.

**Mammography Facility Accessibility Assessments**

Accessibility assessments of mammography facilities across the state continue. ODHP is also working to follow-up with facilities that have received assessments to see how facilities are utilizing accessibility reports. Contact Erica Coleman for more information about this project, (513) 803-4399 or Erica.Coleman@cchmc.org.

**Healthy U in ASL for Deaf Community – Please Share Information**

Healthy U Ohio is a free, six week, workshop to help people learn to manage chronic health conditions and feel healthier. ODHP is offering a Healthy U Pilot workshop in American Sign Language (ASL) for the Deaf community this fall at Columbus Colony Housing in Westerville. **People who attend all 7 Workshop and Completion Party sessions will receive a $50 Wal-Mart gift card.** Snacks will be provided at all sessions.

- **Dates:** Information Session - Tuesday, October 20th from 1:30-2:30 PM; Workshop and Completion Party Dates - Tuesdays from 1:30-4:00 PM, November 3, 10, 17, 24, December 1, 8, 16
- **Location:** Columbus Colony Housing Library, 1165 Colony Drive, Westerville OH 43081

Please share this information and have people who are interested contact Rosalind Gjessing (614) 688-2928 or Rosalind.Gjessing@osumc.edu.
Goal 5: Access to Care
FQHC Accessibility Assessments
ODHP is offering free accessibility assessments for federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) in Ohio. The assessment is completely confidential and will provide feedback on the FQHC’s current level of accessibility as well as suggestions for low-cost improvements. We are currently developing an accessibility tip sheet to provide to FQHCs. Please contact Yiping Yang regarding this project, (614) 688-2928 or Yiping.Yang@osumc.edu. Information about the assessment process can also be found on our website: http://nisonger.osu.edu/odhp/accessibilityassessment

Goal 6: Emergency Preparedness
Disability Trainings for First Responders and Emergency Planners – Available for Continuing Education Credit Online
ODHP’s disability trainings for first responders and emergency planners are available online for continuing education credit for nurses, EMS personnel, firefighters, and police officers! Please share the following link where people can take the training and print a certificate of completion: go.osu.edu/centerforemstrainings

Functional Needs Preparedness Workgroup
In conjunction with the Ohio Department of Health and the Ohio Emergency Management Agency, ODHP has established a functional needs preparedness workgroup to focus on the needs of PWD in emergency preparedness. ODHP looks forward to being part of this collaborative workgroup.

FEMA Region V Mass Care Planning Committee
Our health policy specialist attended a FEMA Region V Mass Care Planning committee meeting to promote disability inclusion in the 2017 mass care exercise being planned in the Columbus area.

Goal 7: Effectively Monitor and Evaluate Program Activities
No August updates for Goal 7.