



Call to Order

- **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. with nine (9) members and four (4) staff/guests present.

Welcome/Introductions

- **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** asked each member and guest to introduce him/herself.

Review of Packet and Agenda*

- **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** reviewed the agenda and packet of meeting materials with members and guests.

Approval of Minutes*

- **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** requested a review of the Sep. 16, 2015 meeting minutes.
 - **James Riggs** moved to accept the minutes as amended. **Linda Jewell** seconded.
 - The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Using Data to Empower Arizona Communities: Curriculum Review

- **Wendy Wolfersteig, Ph.D.** presented a draft of the new training curriculum for review.
- General feedback for improvement encompassed format and style of the presentation of the material, clarification of the audiences and how to approach audiences for the training, presentations of myths and facts, definition of terms and semantic issues, standardization and integration of data, the levels of data available, tailoring for individual communities and coalitions, and other useful materials and frameworks to incorporate.

Using Data to Empower Arizona Communities: Training of Trainers

- **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** asked to postpone this agenda item until the November 18th meeting.

Data Request Update: Rx Drug and Marijuana

- **Darlene Lopez** provided an update on the project. The next milestone for accumulating additional data for the project will be in the middle of November. Additional data are desired for youth (ages 12 to 24) drug use (marijuana and Rx drugs in particular). Suggestions were provided regarding the format of the report. She acknowledged that there are some data gaps and will share those gaps with the Epi Work Group.

Event Highlights: Addiction: The Elephant in the Room

- **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** provided an overview of the event and Red Ribbon week that highlights the importance of addressing substance abuse in the State of Arizona. Substance Abuse was discussed at the event as a disease.

Website Review: SubstanceAbuse.AZ.gov

- **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** asked this agenda item to be postponed until the November 18th meeting.

2015 Meeting Schedule*

- Next meeting is November 18, 2015 at 1:00pm at ADOT Human Resource Development Center in the Grand Canyon Rm #3. (December 16, 2015 – same time and room; January 20, 2016 – same time and room).

Announcements

- **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** asked for any comments from the public. **Jamie Ritchey, Ph.D.** announced updates on CDC data. **Wendy Wolfersteig, Ph.D.** called for any feedback on the curriculum and discussed how to proceed in approving the curriculum.

Call to the Public*

- No public discussion.



Adjourn*

- **James Riggs** moved. **Wendy Wolfersteig, Ph.D.** seconded. **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** adjourned the meeting at 3:12pm.

Dated the 28^h day of October, 2015
Substance Abuse Epidemiology Work Group

Respectfully Submitted By:

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