



Call to Order

- **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with eleven (11) members and nine (9) staff and 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*

- **Change to the minutes** – June 17 to July 17
- **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** requested a review of the July 17, 2015 meeting minutes.
 - **Douglas Kramer** moved to accept the minutes as amended.
 - **Peggy Glider** seconded
 - The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

2015 Rx Drug and Marijuana Data Project

- **Darlene Lopez** provided an overview of LeCroy & Milliagan Associates, Inc. data collection and analysis plan for the RX Drug and Marijuana data project. Ms. Lopez gave a preview of the work done thus far. She asked the Epi Work Group members to share their raw data for the last 5 years regarding marijuana and Rx drug use, if possible. Data on individuals between 12 to 24 years of age is desired. She asked for suggestions for additional data sources as well. **Deborah Kurth, Ph.D** noted that entities with adult data will need to be involved. **Douglas Kramer** noted his ideas for collection.

Arizona Substance Abuse Partnership Report Out

- **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** reported on last week's Arizona Substance Abuse Partnership (ASAP) meeting and gave an overview of the group and its current and future work. Dr. Vivian provided an update about the new inventory list of local treatment and prevention providers that will be available online. Dr. Vivian highlighted the importance of new data topics or data sources in our work. It was noted that Epi might consider collecting data on the number of individuals who are unemployed or leave jobs because of substance issues.

Literature Review: Marijuana State Impact Studies

- **John Vivian, Ph.D., Chair** provided an update on his direction on the literature review. He noted the lack of historical data available and the difficulty of making projections. Dr. Vivian spoke of the large amount of literature available both in traditional research venues and in more journalistic sources (e.g., the Arizona Republic). He noted the importance of being able to discriminate which sources and reports are the most credible and relevant. He spoke of the need for comparisons and understandings of states with legalization of the substance and those without. He also noted the importance of considering the various forms of marijuana that are available for use.

Communities in Context: Using Data to Empower Arizona Communities Curriculum and Training Amendments

- **Wendy Wolfersteig, Ph.D.** provided an update on the development of the revised curriculum. Dr. Wolfersteig outlined the three modules in development. Dr. Wolfersteig specifically provided information on the indicators to be used. Dr. Wolfersteig also discussed the plan for focus groups at Arizona State University (Phoenix, Downtown-Mercado) to evaluate the updated curriculum. The draft of the updated/revised curriculum will be ready for review at the end of the month of September. The Epi Work Group members were encouraged to consider whether they would like to be trained as trainers and to help source who should be trained as trainers.



Communities in Context: Using Data to Empower Arizona Communities Curriculum and Training Public Outreach

- **Laura Waldron, Lavidge Company**, provided an update on the how the public will be informed of the amended curriculum and future training opportunities with Epi. Ms. Waldron gave an overview of the public service announcements in development. Ms. Waldron also presented the new logo. **John Vivian, Ph.D** recognized Lavidge's continued commitment to working with us. **Samuel Burba** asked for input on the new logo. A discussion was held. A vote was taken on which of the two options were best.
- **James Riggs** moved that the group adopt the first presented logo (without a subtitle) be used when the Governor's Office's logo is used in conjunction. **Wendy Wolfersteig, Ph.D.** seconded. Discussion was held. Motion passed unanimously.
- **Deborah Kurth** moved that the group adopt the second presented logo (with a subtitle) be used when the State of Arizona seal is not available or not used in conjunction. **John Vivian** seconded. Discussion was held. Motion passed unanimously.

Future Guest Presentations

- **John Vivian** challenged the Work Group to come up with presentation ideas they would like to have at future meetings. One idea was the data from treatment services providers. Other ideas should be sent to John Vivian.

Updates on Substance Abuse Website and Program Inventory

- **Samuel Burba** reported on the direction of Governor's Office of Youth, Faith, and Family website. He talked about the continued partnership with the current consulting group developing the website. The website is being reviewed for approval and revised to be unveiled in the next couple months. The website will show how the Governor's Office stands behind data; both data and stories will be front and center on the website. He asked the work group to review the sample provided and send feedback to his office.

2015 Meeting Schedule*

- Next meeting is October 28, 2015 at 1:00pm at ADOT Human Resource Development Center in the Grand Canyon Rm #3.

Call to the Public*

John Vivian asked for comments from the public. **Wendy Wolfersteig** promoted an upcoming Health Equity conference. **Douglas Kramer** announced an upcoming recovery event. **Samuel Burba** highlighted the Lighting Arizona Purple event and the National Drug Take Back Day coming up.

Adjourn

John Vivian, Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:00pm.

Dated the 16th day of September, 2015
Substance Abuse Epidemiology Work Group
Respectfully Submitted By:
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