

Health Disparities Task Force Meeting | MINUTES

June 8, 2023, | 1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M. | Location: Microsoft Teams

Meeting called by: Division of Health

Disparities Elimination

Type of meeting: Weekly Health Disparities

Task Force -

Facilitator: Elizabeth Hart, Director

Office of Faith-Based and Community Engagement

Approximately: 88 ppl

Motivational Quote: (Elizabeth Hart) "Each friend represents a world in us, a world possibly not born until they arrive, and it is only by this meeting that a new world is born." — Anais Nin

Announcements: (Elizabeth Hart)

- National Best Friend Day
- National Immigrant Heritage Month
- On Saturday, June 24th TDH, Division of Health Disparities Elimination is sponsoring LF Mobile Lifesaving Courses with Free Community CPR Training, at the Napier Elementary School, in Nashville, TN. Please see the attached flyer below.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

Focus: State Health Plan

Presenter: M. Sarah Elliott, MPH, CPH

Summary: Ms. Elliott informed us about the State Health Plan which basically is a requirement for the Department of Health to submit annual updates to the Governor which consists of providing state leadership with Tennessee's health status, inform them of practical recommendations, promote the Department's vision of a Healthy Tennessee, create opportunities for external partners, collaborate, and support state agencies, non-profits, faith based organizations and healthcare facilities and providers.

The State Health Plan is a process that's built around collective "subject matter expert meetings" such as:

- ➤ A Healthy Start what does being healthy, looks like for our children, youth, and teenagers
- ➤ A Healthy Life how is a healthy life, portrayed among the adults and elderly Tennesseans
- ➤ A Healthy Environment how healthy are the communities of where we live in Tennessee
- ➤ A Healthy Healthcare System what does the healthcare system look like and what are they doing to support us Tennesseans in becoming and staying healthy

After the expert meetings, the State Health Plan Annual Report is drafted and presented to the public to create different focus groups requesting their input on "how can we be healthier". As the data is being collected from the different focus groups, a large picture is being painted and more recommendations will be suggested which will establish priority areas, determined by the Department of Health Commissioner to decide what are the most pressing concerns and issues we need to address based on this report and data of information.

In August we're hosting an online focus group and we're asking folks of the different sectors of the marketplace to join this meeting and become a part of a focus group to assist in making the necessary recommendations for the health and well-being of the State of Tennessee. Below you'll find the Eventbrite Focus Group Tickets for East, West and Middle Tennessee, get your tickets, register, and join the focus group that best represents where you live within the state.

Member Comments: Announcements and Upcoming Events

State Health Plan Focus Group - Come provide input on the next Tennessee State Health Plan!

- https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/state-health-plan.html
- https://www.eventbrite.com/e/east-tn-state-health-plan-focus-group-tickets-650816348217 (East TN)
- https://www.eventbrite.com/e/west-tn-state-health-plan-focus-group-tickets-647266861607 (West TN)
- https://www.eventbrite.com/e/middle-tn-state-health-plan-focus-group-tickets-650823770417(Middle TN)

Resources mentioned during call:

- If you need more information, please visit our website at www.healthdisparitiestn.com
- Franklin Book Festival at the Library Saturday 10am to 5pm, Sunday 1pm to 5pm
- TN Commission on Children and Youth has released the State of the Child in Tennessee: County Profiles

Chat Box – links / website / events:

- BBQ: Saturday, June 10, 2023, 10 a.m.-2 p.m./ County Administration Parking Lot 1320 West Main Street Franklin, TN
- If you need more information, please visit our website at <u>www.healthdisparitiestn.com</u>

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 15, 2023, from 1pm-2pm via Microsoft Teams.

Microsoft Teams Meeting details are as follows:

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