

EH CIB Meeting Summary September 18, 2023

Date: 09/18/2023

Summary prepared by: Jake Rueter, MDH

Location: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Attendance

- Sodik Adelani, MDH
- Amanda Buell, Co-Chair, Hennepin County
- Lisa Brodsky, Scott County
- Andrea Demmer, Ottertail County
- Steven Diaz, Co-Chair, MDH
- Bill Groskreutz, Faribault County
- Sarah Grosshuesch, Wright County
- Tom Hogan, MDH
- Linda Kopecky, MDH
- Jeff Luedeman, MDA
- Kelly Nagel, MDH
- Jason Newby, Brooklyn Park
- James Noyola, Washington Co
- Jake Rueter, MDH
- Denise Schumacher, MDH
- Dan Symonik, MDH
- Rick Toms, MDH

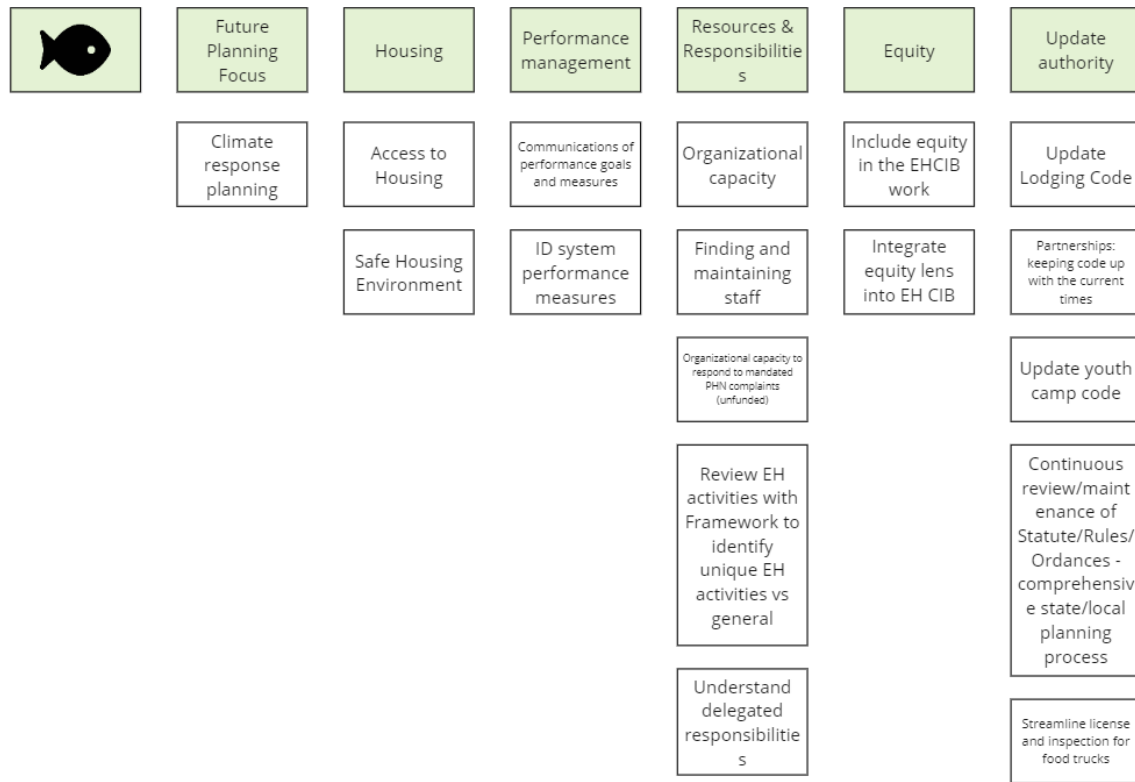
Action items

- Consider potential topic areas/geographies/expertise that the group would benefit from adding, and potential candidates.
- Review and reflect on results of Delegation Agreement and Water Quality consensus workshop activities.

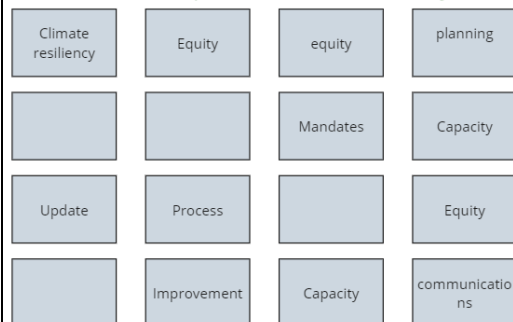
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- Welcome and introductions
- Foundational Public Health Responsibilities consensus workshop

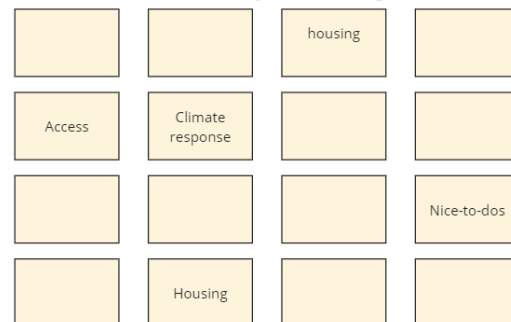
What potential focus areas should the EH CIB explore related to FPHRs?



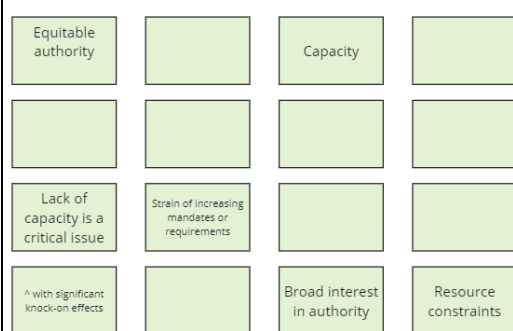
What are words or phrases that stood out to you?



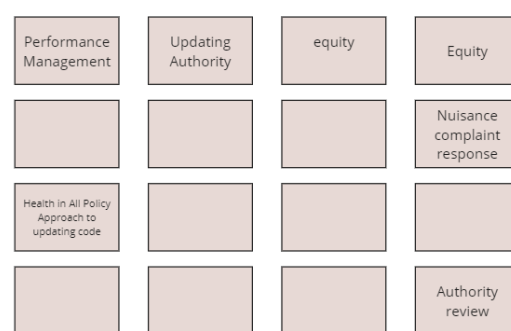
What did we discuss that you think might be a stretch?



What new insights emerged for you?



What is something you'd like to move forward with as EH CIB?



- MDH Updates – Legislative Proposals
 - Beginning the process of creating and developing ideas over the next month
 - State budget was set in the last session – great successes for PH on this front, especially around lead
 - 2024 session is focused on fixing critical items that need to be fixed, policy items, and to fund bonding requests
 - EH has a few of proposals still alive in the process
 - Climate adaptation resiliency program – staff funding last session, still looking for local agency grant funding to address the human side of resiliency
 - Fish consumption advisory program (partnership with DNR and MPCA) – previously was staffed by 1 person, but needs additional capacity for analysis and communications
 - Public water supply resiliency
 - Provide funding to smaller public water supplies for secondary water source development
 - Back-up power supplies for public water supplies
 - Mapping and hardening of public water supply systems (ex. Located in a flood plain, etc.
 - PFAS, Manganese, and other emerging contaminant response
- FPL Program Evaluation team update
 - Updated Standard 3 & 8 timeline for policies and procedures to allow additional time to meet with partners and develop a strong understanding:
 - Verification audit phase – March 16, 2023 to January 1, 2024
 - Self-assessments and validation for Standard 8 are complete
 - Work is ongoing for Standard 3
 - One-on-one meetings with delegated programs – January 2024
 - Continuous improvement process phase – January 2 to July 1, 2024
 - Additional time so that programs have ample time to make desired changes
 - Final report phase – July 2 to November 1, 2024
 - Standards 1 & 2 were completed in 2022, currently going through the adoption process.
- Mobile Food Unit subgroup
 - MDA and MDH met with Sen. Kunesh to discuss questions around mobile food units across the state (licensing, inspections, etc.) with an interest in moving towards a single-licensing structure.

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- Vendors have concerns regarding inconsistency of licensing and needing to maintain a large number of licenses when moving from jurisdiction to jurisdiction
- 2019 work group activities were suspended during the pandemic response.
- Sen. Kunes indicated support for the work group rebooting to address concerns above. Interest in moving the issue forward quickly. Only comments on timeline were regarding the next EH CIB meeting.
- Shared regulatory perspective with Sen. Kunes and the need to recover costs for services provided and shared responsibility among land use/zoning, emergency response, etc.
- Local agency mobile food group meeting tomorrow at the practitioner level – organized by Ramsey County PH. Would be nice to combine efforts if possible – perhaps offer EH CIB support.
- 2023 was a challenging year for license crossovers – this is high priority work and the EH CIB should be involved.
- General agreement around finding ways to work with locally-led group organized by Ramsey County. Would like to find ways to bring representatives in from the industry.
- EH CIB Charter Update
 - Looking for a few people to take a look at the existing charter and determine areas where updates are need.
 - Work around 21st Century PH make it important to ensure that the charter aligns with this process.
 - Have struggled in the past identifying members for the CIB – worth taking a look at membership to see if we’re meeting needs.
 - Tom Hogan, Amanda Buell, Linda Kopecky
- Best Practice Development working groups
 - Nuisance complaint response – high priority
 - Jason Newby
 - Lisa Brodsky
 - Candidate for a deep-dive investigation similar to work going on in ID CIB
 - Food trucks – high priority
 - Kim Carlton
 - Jason Newby
 - Andrea Demmer
 - James Noyola
 - Jess Jenkins – MN Food Truck Association

- Sarah Kraemer Schaaf (vendor) – nominated by Linda Brodsky
- Water quality
 - Additional thinking needed to identify specific focus areas within water quality
 - May be need to bring additional people in with a focus on septic and drinking water
- Closing and next steps
 - Future meeting venue preference
 - Additional members and/or technical expertise recruitment

Next meeting

Date: December 18, 2023

Time: 10:30am

Location: TBD

Agenda items:

- 2024 work plan and goals
- Additional items TBD

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