

## **CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION (CDPHP) SECTION UPDATES 7/27/2023**

### General Updates

- CDPHP would like to welcome the following new staff:
  - Stephanie Camacho was promoted from Bureau Office Manager, Administrative Assistant IV to Program Officer I, Compliance Specialist. A recruitment for her previous position is in place.
  - Taliman Afroz, PhD, returns to CDPHP as the Population Health and Wellness Manager
  - Sarah Motts, MPH, was promoted to the Tobacco Prevention Coordinator
- Staff changes
  - Amanda Lamborn was promoted to the Women's Health Connection Program Coordinator. Stephanie Camacho was promoted to the position previously held by Ms. Lamborn.
  - Kellie Ducker, the Community Wellness Manager, resigned from state service. A recruitment for the Health Program Specialist II position is in place.
  - Journee Baham, MPH, the Health Equity Coordinator, accepted a position with SAPTA.
  - Rebecca McKnight, the Administrative Assistant II, resigned from state service. A recruitment for an AA II is in place.

## **CDPHP PROGRAM UPDATES**

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### BOLD Program

- The CDC DP20-2004 *BOLD (Building our Largest Dementia) Infrastructure for Alzheimer's Core Capacity* started its final year September 30, 2022, and will conclude on September 30, 2023. The BOLD team submitted the grant application for the new CDC DP23-0010 BOLD five-year implementation in March of 2023. The CDC DP23-0001 State Public Health Approaches to Addressing Arthritis

grant application will be submitted in early April of 2023.

- Nevada began building capacity to address Alzheimer's disease and related dementias (ADRDs) upon grant award and has partnered with the Alzheimer Support Association, the University of Nevada Reno (UNR) Dementia Engagement, Education and Research (DEER) program, and the Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) to begin outlining improvements of Alzheimer's supports across the State. Since then, the BOLD program has also partnered with the Cleveland Clinic Lou Ruvo for Brain Health and the Sanford Center for Aging on upcoming projects for GY3.
- Since the award, the program has made substantial progress. The State continues to build staff capacity to manage the grant, including the onboarding of a new intern in January of 2023 who will be working on efforts around dementia risk reduction. The UNR Dementia Engagement, Education and Research (DEER) partnership has established a framework for providing education to care providers, a compilation of Nevada-specific resources, and established data and surveillance systems and this project is in an accessible publicly available format. The finalized Nevada Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementias State Plan was presented to the legislature by the Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease (TFAD) in February of 2023 to present revised and new recommendations that align with the CDC's Healthy Brain Initiative.
- The BOLD program team, in conjunction with the UNR DEER team in 2023, are focused on relaunching their eleven Community Coalition groups and have identified at least one co-facilitator for all eleven Coalitions. Community Coalitions will host kick-off events to relaunch their Coalition group for 2023. In preparation for the relaunch, the DEER program hosted a Co-facilitator Capacity Building Workshop in January of 2023 with 20 attendees. The UNR DEER team has started efforts to add new Community Coalitions in other rural counties. Dementia Friendly Southern Nevada Urban Coalition launched their kick-off event in February of 2023 with over 150 attendees, Dementia Friendly Douglas County Coalition had their kick-off event in March of 2023 with over 60 attendees. The remaining Coalition groups have scheduled their kick-off events in April and May. In addition to these local efforts, the Dementia Friendly Nevada Statewide Coalition started two new workshops

held monthly, focusing on planning efforts of two Dementia Friendly Nevada Aspirations and two recommendations from the State Plan and will hold their Dementia Friendly Nevada Statewide Coalition meetings every three months.

- The Nevada Specific toolkit for communities will become available in an interactive online version in the next few months. This toolkit has been shared with the CDC, Alzheimer's Association National Office, and presented at the National Dementia Action Alliance Conference. Additionally, the Dementia Friendly Nevada information hub and resources-driven website is being updated to make improvements to become more dementia friendly for easier navigation.
- The DEER program has launched their new CIT Understanding Dementia/Alzheimer's Training provided in March of 2023, which is focused on providing dementia education to first responders to help deescalate potential crisis situations and reduce unnecessary hospitalizations.
- A joint messaging campaign between CDPHP, ADSD and UNR DEER Program is currently being programmed through work with KPS3, a professional media company. Two 30 second commercial / PSA media spots will highlight the changing landscape of dementia, address stigma and provide marketing for available resources.

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## **COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CONTROL PROGRAM**

- Breast cancer policy work for SB 330 passed from a bill to law when the Governor signed requiring insurance companies to cover, with no cost sharing, screening, supplemental, and diagnostic breast cancer imaging test when deemed appropriate and recommended by a person's medical provider.
- Nevada Cancer Coalition's (NCC), [ThriveNV patient navigation](#) serving Hispanic communities has expanded as records indicate an increase in Hispanic referrals and callers in need of access to services, resources, mentor support, and/or survivorship tools. NCC will continue to track these indicators. These referrals reflect the partnerships developed over the past year between NCC and

- organizations that reach Spanish speaking families and their needs.
- A final report will conclude breast cancer screening research that was conducted by University of Nevada, Reno Larsen Institute which included an on-line survey for all health disparate populations and listening tours specific to African American/Black women.
  - Sun Smart Schools program was given authorization by Clark County School District to provide education and presentations on sun safety behaviors and damage the sun can have on the skin to the students and administration. This is a huge accomplishment as NCC has faced many barriers up to this point.
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## **WISEWOMAN**

DP 18:1816 - Well-Integrated Screening and Evaluation for Women Across the Nation (WISEWOMAN)

### **WISEWOMAN Updates**

- The WISEWOMAN Year 5 grant started September 29, 2022 and will go through September 29, 2023.
- Guadalupe Medical Center added another WISEWOMAN Clinic in January, and we are already seeing the added screening numbers and increased Healthy Behavior Support Services (HBSS) referrals.
- Evaluation deliverables due at the end of June.
- Current WISEWOMAN numbers December 2021 – July 2023:
  - Total number of women screened: 330
  - Follow-up screenings: 61
  - Re-screenings: 0
  - Referrals to HBSS: 292
  - Number of women with at least 1 completed HBSS session: 190
  - Number of women completed HBSS: 123

## **PURPOSE**

WISEWOMAN was created to help women understand and reduce their risk for heart disease and stroke by providing services to promote lasting heart-healthy lifestyles.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

- Women 40 – 64 years of age
- Low-income (below or at 250 percent of the Federal Poverty Level)
- Underinsured or uninsured
- Enrolled with the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (NBCCEDP) – WHC Program

## **NEVADA 1815 AND 1817 GRANTS: DIABETES, HEART DISEASE, AND STROKE PREVENTION PROGRAMS**

### Heart Disease

- The HDSP program successfully conducted three meetings of the Nevada statewide Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Taskforce (Taskforce). The Taskforce offered recommendations to the 2022 Stroke Data Registry Report. The Taskforce stakeholders include individuals, community-based organizations, healthcare professionals, healthcare systems, NSHE, and Nevada's local public health agencies, and medical societies – please contact the Taskforce lead, Troy Lovick @ [Tlovick@health.nv.gov](mailto:Tlovick@health.nv.gov) for more information.
- Per NRS439.5291 the HDSP program successfully submitted the 2022 Stroke Data Registry Report to the Governor. The report is posted on the program website for public viewing.
- The HDSP program has submitted two applications for new grants for FY24-FY28. , The application for the National Cardiovascular Health Program, CDC-23-0004 which replaces the CDC-1815 award has been accepted and Nevada has been awarded \$1,011,800/yr. to continue and expand evidence-based cardiovascular health promotion strategies. The Innovative Cardiovascular Health Program, CDC-23-0005 which replaces the CDC-1817 award has been submitted. Notices of award are expected in late August 2023.
- The HDSP program is engaged in closing out the 1815 and 1817 grants that expire June 30, 2023.

### Diabetes

- The Diabetes Prevention and Control Program (DPCP) received their

Notice of Award (NOA) for CDC-23-0020 A Strategic Approach to Advancing Health Equity for Priority Populations with or at Risk for Diabetes. The period of performance starts 06/30/2023 and ends 06/29/2028.

- DPCP has curated the following partnerships to collaborate on the new 2320 grant: (1) University of Nevada, Reno – Sanford Center for Aging (2) Nevada Business Group on Health (3) Roseman University of Health Sciences.
- DPCP has begun working towards closeout of the 1815 grant. All deliverables are due by 09/29/2023.

## **NEVADA WELLNESS AND PREVENTION PROGRAM**

- PHHS funded Activities: The Wellness and Prevention Program (WPP) continues to implement NRA 392.420, which is related to the height and weight data collection among school-aged youth in Nevada. In collaboration with Washoe County School District (WCSD), Clark County School District (CCSD), the Nevada Institute for Children's Research & Policy (NICRP), the WPP is working to identify strategies to support school nurses in conducting height and weight data collection. PHHS-FY24 scope of work post-award amendments to secure implementation of Senate Bill 2 for the school year 2023-2024 are completed. The Standard Operation Procedures (SOP) for Collecting and Reporting Students' Height and Weight in Nevada Schools is finished and approved, including the translation from English to Spanish of implementing and follow-up resources is completed.
- SNAP-Ed funded Activities for FFY23: The WPP is working with childhood obesity prevention partners to increase Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) participation in Early Care and Education (ECE) setting in Nevada. The WPP and partners met with CDC Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity team and identified guidelines to advance unmet and partially met national standards Caring for Our Children (CFOC). The WPP facilitated four policy review sessions and prepared policy review summaries for ECE partners. Action items for the remaining FFY23 are planned and on track.

- Activity 1: SNAP-Ed/GIS-map development and dissemination. The end of March is the deadline to submit raw data. The GIS-map is a collaborative project between the NDA, Children's Cabinet, DPBH, and UNR-Ex.
  - Activity 2: Policy Review: Started in May 2023. The WPP is working with Strategic Progress as a policy contractor to guide the project.
- Other funded Activities: The WPP is coordinating a statewide cohesive initiative around Healthy Eating and Active Living (HEAL) behaviors and a statewide program named NV 5210. The initiative aims to support key community members to facilitate environments for the community to adopt HEAL behaviors. Current partners consist of WCHD, SNHD, CCHHS, Carson Tahoe Hospital, and the CDPHP Diabetes Prevention and Control Program.
- The WPP finished the 2022-Nevada Obesity Report with state and county level data in March. The report was approved and is currently available to the public.

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## **PREVENTIVE HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES BLOCK GRANT**

- The PHHS coordinator submitted the Work Plan on 6/28/2023
- Subgrantees are actively working on their programs and projects.
- Subgrantee reporting and technical assistance calls are ongoing.
- A new partner, Central Nevada Health District, will gather data for the PHHS Block Grant
- The PHHS Program Coordinator scheduled a Public Hearing on June 1, 2023 for the PHHS work plan. An additional Healthy People 2030 objective was added: CKD-01 Reduce the proportion of adults with chronic kidney disease
- New scopes of work for PHHS BG subrecipients are routing and new subawards will be routed for 10/1/2023 start date

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## **TOBACCO CONTROL PROGRAM (TCP)**

- The Tobacco Control Program is collaborating with the Nevada Cancer Coalition to finalize the Nevada Tobacco Plan to guide activities from 2023-2028. Working with partners to finalize year 4



activities and begin the final program evaluation report FY23. There are several Bills under legislative review, including AB53, SB

- Youth Prevention / Synar (Retail) TCP staff is finalizing the Synar Strategic Plan to incorporate the collaborative efforts of TCP, SAPTA, OAG and the entire State Synar team. Recent Synar inspections show a Retail Violation Rate (RVR) under 10% for the months of January, April, and June. . This is exciting and has brought down the cumulative RVR for the Oct 2022 – Sept 2023 inspection period to be within compliance under 20% for the Synar Amendment. Currently consolidating, updating, and redesigning the Responsible Tobacco NV website to educate tobacco retailers on tobacco sales to minors and the health risks associated with smoking. AB 53 passed this legislative session which will remove the warnings and increase fines for retail tobacco licensees for sales to minors. This will be effective Jan. 1, 2024. Youth Vaping Funds were not continued during this legislative session, to specifically address youth prevention throughout the State. The team submitted an application for a highly competitive grant that will address the burden of menthol and other flavored commercial tobacco products. Contributions promoting a diverse array of Quitline cessation resources included select continuing medical education offerings to health care providers, contextual marketing toolkits, partner site visits, and strategic outreach to newly interested health care sites attracted to program offerings and willing to support tobacco cessation efforts.
- The Tobacco Cessation website is slated for deployment, and the commitment to provide direct support to aligned stakeholders is meeting intended goals and efforts to sustain working interstate and regional relationships.

## **WOMEN'S HEALTH CONNECTION (WHC) PROGRAM**

- The WHC program has hired a Compliance Specialist , who started June 12<sup>th</sup>.
- WHC continues to work with Access to Healthcare Network (AHN) to support uninsured and underinsured women living at or below 250% of the Federal Poverty Level, receive funding and care coordination for breast and cervical cancer screening and diagnostic services.
- The WHC program is working towards adding a new funded community partner whose focus will be on increasing screening rates



for Black/African American women. The program has met with several organizations to look for a partner with the access and trust within the Black/African American community to make significant changes to increasing screening rates.

The following data accounts for state general funds appropriated for screenings services (\$500,000 per biennium) expended from June 30, 2022, through June 29, 2023:

- 2,131 Women Served
- 40 Clinical breast exams, 8 abnormal results
- 1,974 Mammograms, 251 abnormal results
- 15 Breast cancer cases, including: 9 cases of invasive cervical cancer and 6 cases of ductal carcinoma in situ
- Referrals to treatment: 2 patients diagnosed referred to Medicaid

The following data accounts for CDC funds appropriated for breast and cervical cancer screening and diagnostic services expended from June 30, 2022, through June 29, 2023:

- 6,827 Women served with 6,618 clinical breast exams, 3,075 mammograms, and 4,426 pap tests provided
- 43 Cases of breast or cervical cancer, including: 8 cases of ductal carcinoma in situ, 12 cases of invasive breast cancer, and 23 cases of invasive cervical cancers or cases of premalignant cervical lesions

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## **OFFICE OF FOOD SECURITY (OFS)**

1. State Partnerships Improving Nutrition and Equity (SPINE) Program
  - a. The State of Nevada was awarded funding from the National Association of Chronic Disease Directors (NACDD) to participate in the State Partnerships Improving Nutrition and Equity (SPINE) Program. The Office of Food Security is partnering with Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada (CCNN) for this program to improve access to nutrient-dense and culturally appropriate foods throughout Nevada. The OFS is developing the SPINE Food Security Action Plan (further explained in List Item #2).

Updates:

- Y1 Activities have been completed for SPINE and only

the breastfeeding activities had a no cost extension. We are currently in Q2 of Y2 SPINE activities that go until December 2023.

- Q2 Progress: CCNN continues to provide hot meals through their neighborhood Center at Sun Valley and North Valley area starting July 10<sup>th</sup>. Prior to this CCNN has provided hot meals through other partners. CCNN is developing a new survey to distribute at their Neighborhood Centers to identify service deserts and community food needs. These centers allow for better access to community health workers, SNAP, and Case Management. As well as an opportunity for immigration aid information through surveys.
  - SPINE Summit to Advance Healthy Communities is to take place in August 28-August 29, 2023, which 2 CCNN workers and the OFS Manager will attend.
- b. The OFS has also partnered with the WIC Program and the Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Section and received supplemental breastfeeding funding from SPINE to augment existing efforts around supportive breastfeeding strategies to advance health equity.
- We have partnered with The Nevada Statewide Breastfeeding Coalition, who will utilize their existing contacts and community presence to promote the importance and expand opportunities for NN and rural communities to access appropriate and relevant breastfeeding education.
    - Solidified scope of work for recruitment of lactation education sponsorships.
    - Identified a breastfeeding professional to act as a representative and talent for the breastfeeding education webinar.
  - KPS3 will provide appropriate website updates that highlight and improve the ability to find breastfeeding

friendly childcare centers. Additionally, they will edit the breastfeeding education webinar to make it appealing and representative to increase learning capabilities of the intended audience.

- Defined and agreed on scope of work and process for website updates and webinar.
- WO6826 under the SPINE grant has been executed (June 2023) and the activities in the WO target SNAP-ED activities.

2. REPORTS: FHN Annual Report and the Food for People Not for Landfill reports are due annually per Calendar year, .

3. Food Security Plan

- a. The Division of Public & Behavioral Health (DPBH), within the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), contracted with The Blueprint Collaborative (TBC) and Guinn Center in collaboration with the Council on Food Security to refine the objectives and goals of the 2013 strategic plan and establish the 2023 Nevada Food Security Strategic Plan. The 2022 Needs Assessment was also completed and used in the development of the 2023 Nevada Food Security Strategic Plan. The strategic plan was completed and released in February 2023.

4. SFY24 and SFY25 Funds for Health Nevada Hunger Funds

- a. All SOW and Budget have been approved by the evaluation team and the Bureau. OFS is working in collaboration with Fiscal and NCS to ensure Contracts are executed for SFY24 and SFY25.

5. SPAN and REACH Grant: Application remains pending

6. PHAP Program with OFS: Max and Ellen are graduating Oct. 2023. The new application for one PHAP work is pending.

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Health Disparity Grant/STRETCH Grant

- The DHHS Health Equity Unit (HEU) received Quarterly reports and Technical Assistance calls are currently being conducted with the following partners turned in on July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023. These programs will continue for another year.
  - Bureau of Behavioral Health Wellness and Promotion, MOU 5335
  - Nevada Office of Minority Health and Equity, MOU 5333
  - Healthy Community Coalition, specifically with expanded partnership with the Nevada Community Health Workers Association, SG 25378
  - Nevada Cancer Coalition, SG 25301
  - Southern Nevada Health District, SG 25393
  - Grants Management Unit, Director's Office, MOU 5334
  - Washoe County Health District, SG 25456
  - Office of Rural Health, University of Nevada Reno, SG 25299
  - Maternal Child and Adolescent Health, MOU 5360
  - Division of Child and Family Services, SG 25300
  - Xquisite, SG 25686
  - Truckee Meadow Community College, SG 25737
- A no cost extension was approved and has been extended to all of the programs but ACCEPT, who respectfully declined. Their last Quarterly Report was due June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Work Order from the Blueprint Collaborative, WO 6584, WO 6606, and WO 6675 as well as the Nevada Broadcasters Association (NBA) WO 6611 and the Trudy Larson institute WO 6674, have all been completed and spent down.
- Immunization's MOU C17776 and Hootsuite's MOU C17975 have been spent to completion but Hootsuite is renewed for the entire year to continue to conduct social media posts for CFCW.
- HEU with Nevada Office of Minority Health and Equity (NOHME) have been conducting the Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) + Allies support groups weekly. Esmeralda, who was a facilitator, will step down as she has taken on coordinator duties for the entire Health Disparity Grant.
- HEU has completed the Stretch 1.0 grant and will await the posting of STRETCH 2.0.
- HEU is working with SNHD's Health Equity Grant quarterly to ensure there are no duplications to the work being done in Nevada. The next

quarterly meeting with Xavier Flores will be in the Summer.

- HEU has changed from a newsletter format to posting social media posts monthly on topics in Health Equity with Kathie Taylor. A flyer about the Health Equity Unit has been produced and a registry is being completed of all of the organizations that are associated with Health Equity.
- HEU developed a workplan for the Strategies to Repair Equity and Transform Community Health (STRETCH) Initiative to advance health equity within CDPHP programs and activities. This has involved several training opportunities for the HEU as well as NOHME including Adaptive Leadership and Lunch and Learns about Health Equity. A presentation with Immunize Nevada in May and with the Trudy Larson Institute was prepared to present these initiatives for the Health Equity Unit. STRETCH has also published social media campaigns involving the Nevada Health Equity Unit.
- The CDPHP Strategic Plan and Food Security Plan have both been completed through the funding for the Health Disparity Grant.
- HEU is also assigned as the DPBH language access coordinator to develop a Language Access Plan (LAP) as required by NRS 232.0081. The LAP was submitted in October and is awaiting further guidance of any potential funding to continue the Language Access Plan.
- HEU has been working with Christina Boyles from OPHIE to work as Tribal Liaison's for the DPBH. The Unit turned in the yearly report due from DPBH for Tribal Liaison's for the year. HEU has also worked with the tribes to obtain and disseminate information about programs of the DPBH.
- HEU has been tasked to work with NOHME to improve outreach and reporting from clinical trials for DPBH.