

**American Public Health Association (APHA)
Community Health Planning and Policy Development (CHPPD) Section,
Wednesday, September 16, 2009, 12:30 – 1:40 pm EST**

Present: Danielle Greene (program co-chair), Priti Irani (Chair), Sami Jarrah (newsletter co-editor), Roy Grant, Shawn Kimmel (governing councilor-elect), Shari Kinney (governing councilor), Tammy Pilisuk, Crystal Piper (policy co-chair), Mary Beth Riner, Winston Tseng (Treasurer & Section councilor), Joe Schuchter (former student policy committee representative), Souvenise St. Louis (membership co-chair), Sue Schenatzki, Uzma Zumbrink

Next meeting: Wednesday, November 18, 2009; 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. EST

Action Steps Summary:(1) Shari to give feedback to authors on Policy B1; (2) Joe to give feedback to authors of Policy B6; (3) Uzma will review Policy C4; (4) Section members who want to contribute to American Institute for Cancer Research Write-up on policy integration, and mobilization-related issues, should contact pri01@health.state.ny.us; (5) Roy Grant is going to represent Health Home panel at the Annual Meeting; and Azzie Young, Charley Magruder and Priti Irani on the Electronic Medical Records session.

Item	Discussion	Action
Introductions	Welcome. Members introduced themselves. No agenda additions, no comments on July minutes	
Comments on Revised Policy Proposals	<p>There are 15 proposed policies. Members reviewed policies related to health disparities/international health, env health, and public health science & infrastructure at http://www.apha.org/advocacy/policy/2009proposedpolicies.htm. Reviewers comments are available at https://www.surveymonkey.com/sr.aspx?sm=SiRo9_2fXfPYq4f1krlphb9XKkTs_eGTBljq4VzpzU_2bX6A_3d.</p> <p>Of the 15 policies reviewed, reviewers suggested support for 13. It was recommended that the section not support two policies: B1- The Elimination of Asbestos and Adequate Compensation for Victims because it did not add any new issues to a similar previous policy, and B3-Calling for Precautionary Avoidance of Non-Medicinal Hormones, especially those intentionally added to the food system because it was not based on research findings. On B6- Reducing the Burden of Poor Health and Health Inequities through transportation and land use policies, there were questions on whether it added any new information, and specificity of the action steps.</p> <p>Two policies in the Access to Care categories, including “Public Health’s Critical Role in Health Reform” co-authored by a CHPPD member and supported by the section was not reviewed. Uzma was asked if she would review C4-Improving Access to Vision Care in Community Health Centers</p>	<p>Policy B1 - Shari is going to give the authors feedback through policy@apha.org</p> <p>Policy B3: Section will not support, and recommendation is to vote “no”</p> <p>Policy B6: Joe will give feedback to authors, and give the section an update on what to advise governing councilors.</p> <p>Policy C4: Uzma will review and submit her comments at: http://tinyurl.com/chppd-2009policy</p>

	Discussion on whether by “not supporting”...should members abstain from voting, or vote “no”. Sherri said it would mean governing councilors would be advised to vote “no”.	
American Institute for Cancer Research Write-up	Priti has volunteered to write short paragraphs on two recommendations by September 30. US Recommendation #1: UN bodies MUST work together to ensure integrated policies among all relevant agencies. (something related to being guided by social determinants of health) US Recommendation #2: Mobilize the media and public opinion in support of improved public health, including healthy nutrition, sustained physical activity and the prevention of cancer. (Social marketing examples from tobacco, nutrition-trans fats, sugary drinks, maybe built communities)	If any member would like to help write up or review write-up, please email Priti Irani at pri01@health.state.ny.us
Member Feedback Sessions on HIIT and Medical/Health Home	Priti sent out an email blast asking members for their perspectives on Health Home and Challenges to Electronic Medical Records (EMS) at: http://preview.tinyurl.com/chppd-issues . Received one response related to EMS, and Tammy has given talking points on Health Home. Priti asked if anyone would be interested in being on the Health Home panel, and Roy volunteered.	Priti contact Dr. Deinard and followup with Roy. Azzie Young, Charley Magruder and Priti Irani will present on EMS panel on Tues, Sept. 10, 10:30 am
Annual Meeting Update	Handout attached. About 100 people expected to attend CHPPD Celebration on Sunday, November 8, 8:00 p.m. All members who want to be at the celebration should register on line, as members who don't get a ticket will be turned away. Roy asked about program committee. Danielle Greene said that she was stepping down, and Ijeoma Nwachuku would be looking for a program co-chair, and will set up a program committee next year.	Priti will send out confirmation emails to registrants soon.
Expectation from Annual Meeting and future conference calls	Sue Schenatzki, a recently graduated student, hoped that she would find out how members can get experience on public health policy issues, and employment in policy. She said there were more opportunities in epidemiology and other public health fields than policy.	Priti suggested having an article on this subject on the issue, and Sami Jarrah concurred
Announcements, Communications	Sami Jarrah said that they do not need any articles for the Fall issue, and have members committed to submitting articles for the next Winter issue. Deadline for next issue is January 10, 2010. Amy Carroll-Scott thanked section members for basket of fruits and nuts. Health care report released at http://finance.senate.gov/sitepages/leg/LEG%202009/091609%20Americas_Healthy_Future_Act.pdf	

Notes by Priti Irani, Section Chair