

TOBACCO-FREE COLLABORATIVE

August 10, 2016

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Gail Lowe (CPH), LeRayna Edwards (CPH), Lori Ruffin (CPH), Emily Fisher (CPH), Zach Maciaszek (COHHIO), Katie Stone (CPH), Tracy Swanson (City Development), Tara Tucker (CPH), Patricia Sheard (ODH), Amber Jones (CPH), Jeff Stephens (American Cancer Society), Candice Coleman (Mount Carmel Health System)

PRESENTATION- ROB CRANE, TOBACCO TO 21

- Stressed the importance of enforcement, explained that the law will not make an impact unless enforcement piece is strong – he recommended Columbus Public Health and/or the police to be responsible for compliance and enforcement
- Spoke to the idea that e-cigarettes are a better alternative to cigarettes- he said the issue is with youth and the addiction to nicotine – e- cigarette use is increasing, therefore addiction to nicotine is on the rise
- Recommended the book Dream Land
- Comparison of e cig to methadone
- 3 documents about enforcement to use at local level to support tobacco to 21- currently being created and will be shared with the group
- Smoke free law – does not cover e cigarettes
- FDA – E cigs are now categorized as a tobacco product (within the definition).

PROGRAM UPDATES

Amber

- Signage for public places has been purchased (includes e-cigarettes and cigarettes)
- Columbus Commons – implemented smoke free policy
- Columbus Libraries and YMCA playgrounds are interested in Smoke Free policy
- Recruit more market rate housing to go smoke free – attempt to connect with social media - connection to Matt from ODH

Emily Fisher

- Partnership between Access to Care and Homeport- to provide residents with tobacco cessation resources and linkages.
- Informational flyer about Access to Care and services provided is being created. This resource can be passed to other organizations if we are working with individuals who are not insured – flyer is currently being developed and will be sent out when finalized.

Tara Tucker

- Met with Kiley and Christie Becket about the infant mortality toolkit – community connectors meet once a month– introduce concept of toolkit to the connectors. Materials request form could be used for connectors to access toolkit.
- Toolkit – consists of basic information for pregnant women and children under 1.

Candice

- Accessed the university and college spreadsheet from ODH – She asked what do we plan to do with that information?
 - Provide TA to universities and colleges that have opportunity for improvement
 - Baseline date for future work

Gail:

- National Cancer bookmarks – used to be able to get 500, now can only get 5 – setback
- Emily – maybe we can add some of the information from the bookmarks to Emily’s Access to Care document – recreate in house

Patricia

- Tobacco Grants Bidders conference call august 16th from 1-3
- Tobacco and college school policy – creating a model policy for colleges and toolkit

Katie

- CHC RFP is due at the end of August
- CPH is applying for the Youth and Policy Tobacco Grant, the RFP is due September 12