

State Health Plan Committee

2006 Report to the Wisconsin Public Health Council

December 2006

The State Health Plan Committee was created by the Public Health Council. Its charge is to make recommendations to the full Council on the priorities and strategies to achieve the Council's goals related to *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010: A Partnership Plan to Improve the Health of the Public*, the state health plan. The primary stewardship roles of the State Health Plan Committee are to: monitor, evaluate and communicate progress toward and away from achieving the state health plan; champion achievement of the state health plan; and promote broad-based ownership for achieving *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010*.

Committee Organization:

The Committee's chair (Mr. Perry) and the vice chair (Ms. Weidmann) are appointed members of the Public Health Council. Ms. Frey and Ms. Willems Van Dijk, appointed members of the Council, also serve on the State Health Plan Committee. The Committee supports diversity of members and has used broad criteria to select its 18-member Committee. The Committee held ten meetings in 2006, established ground rules, and posted all agendas and approved minutes on the Council's Web page. The Committee is staffed by the Division of Public Health. The Committee has designed an evaluation model and a process model to guide its capacity to meet all three of its primary stewardship roles.

Updates:

The Committee has been briefed on the following topics:

- Team building and communication strategies and tactics.
- Definitions of health disparities.
- *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010* Priority: Obesity, Overweight, and Lack of Physical Activity.
- *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010* Priority: Tobacco Use and Exposure.
- *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010* Priority: Adequate and Appropriate Nutrition
- *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010* Priority: Alcohol, Substance Use and Addiction
- Measuring Health and Disparities in Wisconsin: Results from the "Making Wisconsin the Healthiest State" Project.
- Evaluation results of the 3rd goal of *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010*: Transforming Wisconsin's public health system.

Forthcoming Items

- It is expected that in February 2007, the Committee will submit for progress reports to the Council that will include a status report and policy recommendations for each of the following statewide health priorities: Obesity, Overweight, and Lack of

Physical Activity; Tobacco Use and Exposure; Adequate and Appropriate Nutrition; and Alcohol, Substance Use and Addiction.

- It is also expected that in February 2007, the Committee will submit to the Council its recommendations concerning the evaluation of Wisconsin's public health system transformation to assure progress to build and sustain a strong and vibrant public health system.
- Identify targets to measure the current goals for *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010*. It is assumed that these goals will remain for the next decade.
- Discuss options and strategies to address the over-riding needs expressed in *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010* as they pertain to: integrated electronic data and information systems; and equitable, adequate, and stable financing.
- Determine the next set of statewide priorities to be evaluated in 2007.
- Hold a strategic planning session in early 2007 to determine priorities and plans for the year.
- Contribute to the development of strategic planning processes for the Public Health Council to assure that *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010* transcends policy actions and recommendations.

Committee Action

- Achieved system consensus on the definition of "health disparities" between the Department, the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute, and the ad hoc Minority Health Advisory Committee in the Division of Public Health.
- Developed an evaluation model and companion process model to evaluate progress on selected priorities of *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010*.
- Developed a standard format in which to report progress and make recommendations concerning the evaluation of *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010* priorities.
- Implemented the evaluation and process models for four statewide health priorities.
- Improved committee processes, communications, cohesion.
- Developed ground rules that support respect for diversity.
- Developed recommendations to build a strong and vibrant public health system.
- Established regular meeting schedules and times and secured staff support from the Division of Public Health.
- Built in a "public comment and insight" item to meeting agendas.

Committee Membership

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Ms. Catherine A. Frey

Ms. Carol Graham

Ms. Peggy Hintzman

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