

MINUTES

Public Health Alliance

April 2, 2013 2-3pm

Of Southern California

Call in: (530) 881-1212 ID: 687-458-014

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Call highlights:

- Heard Introduction to CDPH/ UCSF Healthy Communities Indicator Project from Dr. Neil Maizlish
- Agreed to focus near-term DC efforts on reviewing indicators, and building out a few indicators that might be of particular value to the Alliance.

Call Attendees:

Data Committee	
Matthew Feaster	Pasadena
Michele Mickiewicz	Santa Barbara
Danyte Mockus	Riverside
Neil Maizlish	CDPH
Trav Ichinose	Orange County
Evelyn Trevino	San Bernardino
Chandra Singh	LADPH
Peter Armstrong	UCSF Healthy Communities Project—Health Data Analyst
Tracy Delaney	Public Health Alliance of Southern California
Carla Blackmar	Public Health Alliance of Southern California

Healthy Transportation Team	
Alan Thompson	SCAG
Alexis Lantz	Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
Andy Hamilton	County of San Diego Air Pollution Control District
Chanell Fletcher	ClimatePlan
Dan Gallagher	SANDAG
Menaka Mohan	Prevention Institute
Rye Baerg	Safe Routes to School National Partnership
Stephan Vance	SANDAG
Tham Nguyen	LA Metro

Access to Meeting Audio/ Video of screen share:

You can access audio of this call, as well as video of the screen sharing at the following link:

<http://stme.in/dL9TXi2NA> Call audio begins at: approximately 10:00 minutes

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1. Introductions

- Introduced Danyte Mockus PhD, MPH, Epidemiologist, Epidemiology and Program Evaluation Branch, & Coordinator, Riverside County Health Coalition, Healthy Riverside County Initiative, County of Riverside Department of Public Health as new Data Committee Chair.
- Welcomed members of the Healthy Transportation Team—HT members were invited to participate in today's introduction the Healthy Community Indicator (HCI) project because the resulting metrics will likely be very valuable to those working on health-built environment connection.

2. Alliance Updates

- **Healthy Transportation Team Update:** The Alliance HT team is working to identify policy, data and funding strategies to support Healthier Transportation options in Southern California. The HCI project has great potential to help focus the discussion around some key built environment indicators that are tied to health.
- No other updates were presented.

3. Introduction of Healthy Community Indicator Project

Neil Maizlish introduced Healthy Community Indicator (HCI) Project (please see powerpoint at: <https://docs.google.com/file/d/OB0HaSCoHrhxzUklEbEpaWC1Hqw8/edit?usp=sharing>)

Major points include:

- HCI is built around the HiAP Task Force Healthy Communities Framework—created by a cross-sector brainstorm and statewide public workshops about what healthy, equitable communities look like.
- HCI aims to avoid duplication—find common indicators that can be used across the state, avoid production of similar projects by individual counties
- HCI will have a Narrative and metadata built around it that makes the data replicable, updatable, and user-friendly. Narrative addresses questions of significance, evidence, references. Metadata addresses source and data concerns. Section on methods addresses how the indicator was developed.
- HCI data could be used as a baseline for HIA
- Focus on equity—most data can be stratified by race and ethnicity.
- Hope to build a sustainable project that can be updated for continued use over time.

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4. **Discussion Re: Opportunities for Data Committee Collaboration on Healthy Communities Indicator Project**

Making the HCIs useable for LHDs, Planners, and other local users is one of the goals of the HCI Project. The Alliance has the opportunity to be one of the local forums for reviewing select indicators. Tracy asked members on the call if they were interested in participating in this project, and the response was overwhelmingly positive. The DC will likely spend the next 4-5 meetings reviewing the Healthy Communities Indicators.

Next Steps/Homework:

- Neil, Danyte and Tracy will work to develop a schedule for the review of the indicators by the Public Health Alliance.
- The near-term homework for DC members (and interested AT members) is to review the indicators, focusing in particular on the indicators relating to Alliance Goals shown on slide 9 of Neil's presentation. Please select the 5 indicators you would be most interested in reviewing as a group, and come prepared to discuss:
 - **Why you are interested in these indicators,**
 - **What information/ data you might be able to leverage to build-out this indicator on a local level**
 - **How you would use the resultant data.**

5. **Next Call**

Tuesday May 7, 2013 from 2-3pm.