



MINUTES: GIS Interest Group Meeting, Friday, May 10, 2024, 10:00 AM

NOTE: Please ensure you mute your phone and please do not place your phone on hold. Thank you!

Group Chair: John Cunningham

Recorder: Shanshan Zhao

DISCUSSION	
1.0	<p>Welcome:</p> <p>Ainslie Butler - SMDHU, Andrew Harris - HKPR, Anjali Pandya - Durham, David Guillette - Peel, Jackie Edwards - PHSD, Jane B-KFLAPH, John Cunningham - LGL, Payal Jain – PPH, Renate van Dorph - HPPH, Shanshan Zhao-NBPS</p>
2.0	<p>Additions to & Approval of Agenda:</p> <p>Approved by Shanshan Zhao</p>
3.0	<p>Review and approval of previous minutes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action items from previous minutes (Dec 15,2023) reviewed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ryan W. - expressed interest in assisting with web resources design and maintenance- still ongoing and in touch base • Ainslie B. – Recommend to go to APHEO existing website committee- John has contacted Sherri Deamond and will go through the website • James M. - StatCan QGIS Training Videos https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/en/catalogue/89200005 -John will add it to interest group • Agenda approved by Ainslie Butler.
4.0	<p>Business arising and action items to review:</p> <p>4.1 Update of GIS Interest Group site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John will reach out members individually and remove the member if they are not interest anymore • John will continue to clean, reshuffle, and make it manageable • Members are encouraged to submit items via the GIS-IG group chair
5.0	<p>Items for decision:</p> <p>5.1. N/A</p>

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6.0	<p>Items for discussion:</p> <p>6.1. N/A</p>
7.0	<p>Items for information:</p> <p>7.1. David G. shared The Applications of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) in Public Health Journal of Applied Geographical Studies (carijournals.org)</p>
8.0	<p>Standing agenda items:</p> <p>8.1. Education topics for upcoming meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John will reach out Ryan (inspection districts) and David (school immunization) for 20 min presentation
9.0	<p>Presentation:</p> <p>Jane B-GIS in public Health: The presentation gives an overview of what has been done to date on the GIS literature search. The purpose of project is to working living document to be used to inform implementation of GIS by epidemiologists in public health across Ontario. The draft question is “What are the general ‘best practices’ for GIS use in public health?” The work completed to date including grey literature search test (10 targeted health organization websites) and environmental scan (12 GIS contacts). The type of review required is still undermined and depending on what review type being conducted.</p>
10.0	<p>Next meeting date, time and location:</p> <p>A poll will be sent in June.</p>