Core Indicators for Public Health in Ontario

### **Substance Use Subgroup**

| **Date:** | April 9, 2019: 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. |
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| **Teleconference Information:** | Local: (416) 850-2050Toll-Free: 1-866-261-6767Password: 2581093# |

|  | **Agenda Items** |
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| **1.0**  | **Review of agenda** |
| **2.0** | **Review of last meeting's minutes** |
| **3.0** | **Website update** |
| **4.0** | **Review of core indicator working group documents** |
| **5.0** | **Update on structure** |
| **6.0** | **Next Steps** |

### **Agenda**

**Chair:** Soraya (Toronto)

**Minutes:** Michael (Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph)

**Attendees:** Kaitlin (Durham), Katrice (Hamilton), Andrea (Peel), Shelby (Grey Bruce), Michael (Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph), Kristen (Halton), Rachel (Niagara), Leah (York)

**Regrets:** Auburn (North Bay Parry Sound), Cameron (Ottawa), Kris (University of Toronto)

**Meeting Minutes**

1. **Review of agenda**
* No additions to the agenda
1. **Review of last meeting’s minutes**
* No changes were made

**3.0 Website Update**

On the APHEO website, the substance use working group is now active. Please make sure to join this group to receive all the documents and to be up-to-date with information. The working group is located under the membership tab on the APHEO website, under Workgroups > Other Workgroups> CI Substance Use.

Under the Core indicators Tab, you can find core indicator resources, including the resources sent by Soraya in her email on April 4th, 2019. In case you are new to CI working groups or would like a refresher, there is a video now available on the website that introduces the structure of working groups.

Under Core Indicators Tab > CIWG & Subgroups > Substance Use. Soraya has updated the sub-group with the names of everyone in the database. If you don’t see your name present, please let her know.

1. **Review of Core Indicator Working Group Documents**

Creating a new Core Indicator:

* Create core indicator (literature review, data sources, syntax documents)
* Send for Internal review
* Send for External review (Justin Thielman, Melissa MacLeod)
* Post on website.

Core indicator revision process:

* If a major revision is needed, then it resembles the creation of a new indicator.
* If only a minor revision is needed, then internal review is only needed then it will be updated on the website. (i.e. making sure syntax is relevant and current)

Soraya to circulate a document that defines core indicators, gap indicators gaps, etc.

1. **Update on Structure**

Kristen (Halton) to lead sub-group on opioids subgroup

* Katie (Durham)
* Leah (York)
* Mike (WDG)
* Shelby (Grey Bruce)

Soraya (Toronto) to lead cannabis and alcohol subgroup

* Andrea (Peel)
* Rachel (Niagara)
* Katrice (Hamilton)

Discussion:

* Subgroups will meet monthly
* Larger group will meet every other month
* Interest in sub-groups later focusing on creating indicators for other substances.
* Methamphetamines is a priority for most health units. Currently, there doesn’t seem to be much data available. ICD-10 codes aren’t specific enough. May justify lobbying to the ministry, like what was done with opioids, to improve collection of information surrounding methamphetamines.
* Kristen and Soraya will follow up with members of their respective subgroups to plan the first meeting.