



DDPHSS-DMI Consortium Meeting: Executive Summary February 22, 2023

Purpose

The purpose of this session was to seek individual perspectives and experiences, not group consensus advice, to inform planning, engagement, and strategies in the identification and development of sustainable and efficient solutions for interoperable and streamlined data flows, shared solutions, and health data analysis for public health purposes.

This meeting was convened as a group of multisector public health partners (government, public health, industry) to increase dialogue, prioritize goals, and vet real life solutions to achieve a desired future state PH data ecosystem that provides timely, secure, adaptable access and transfer of data and information to effectively drive public health action.

Update on OPHDST

Presenter(s): Jen Layden

CDC is Moving Forward with a New Data Organization



Office of Public Health Data, Surveillance and Technology (OPHDST)

Why this Matters

Establishes an accountable office within CDC

Ensures accountability for CDC's Public Health Data Goals:

- Structure the organization to support the **4 core public health missions**
- Define and empower **accountable owners** within OPHDST and across the agency
- Establish **regular cadence** of Public Health Data Goal updates for the agency

Dr. Layden, Acting Director of the Office of Public Health Data, Surveillance, and Technology (OPHDST), provided an overview of the new office, including how it falls in the CDC's new organizational chart and its goals following establishment. OPHDST aims to better support the four core public health missions (Detect and Monitor, Investigate and Respond, Inform and Disseminate, and Be Response-Ready) by empowering accountability and transparency through defined owners and regular updates. By bringing key functions under one roof, the new Office services as a platform for better partnerships and collaboration for data modernization.

Public Health Data Strategy

Presenter(s): Jen Layden

CDC presented the current draft of the OPHDST Public Health Data Strategy, addressing CDC Moving Forward's effort to better consistently and timely deliver public health information and guidance. The strategy, currently under review, outlines the data, technology, policy, and administrative actions needed to exchange critical core data efficiently and securely across healthcare and the public health ecosystem. It aims to address challenges from key stakeholders, including missing or incomplete data, lack of interoperable systems, delayed sharing of information, and obstacles surrounding Data Use Agreements. The strategy establishes 2-year milestones for public health data and solutions to better track key metrics and ensure the Office is meeting its public health data goals. The full strategy will be provided to members for feedback in the coming weeks after further internal review.

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