



DDPHSS-DMI Consortium Meeting: Executive Summary November 30, 2022

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.

Interoperability for Public Health Overview and Updates

Presenter(s): Paula Braun, Nedra Garrett, Katie Tully

How the Pieces fit Together

Shared Priorities to Help Advance Public Health



CDC and ONC representatives provided an overview of the goals of Helios and USCDI+ and provided a detailed description of the shared priorities to advance public health (USCDI and USCDI+, FHIR Advancement and Strategy, TEFCA, North Star Architecture, and Certification of IT and Data Systems). Presenters reviewed the Helios Priority Areas for 2022 (Make Data in Public Health Systems Accessible in Bulk, Deliver Aggregate Information to Public Health, and Align and Optimize Public Health Data Sharing), including each area's goals, commitments, participants, and next steps. Individuals were encouraged to join the conversation through participation in the January 2023 Connectathon. Presenters also reviewed USDCI+, including providing background on the differences from USCDI and the process for annual updates. Members were encouraged to email USCDI.Plus@hhs.gov with any questions or feedback.

Focus Group First Impressions

Presenter(s): Jill Fromewick

Building Blocks focus group recap

- Gather input from state, tribal, local, and territorial (STLT) public health agencies to inform prioritization and design of Building Blocks
- Identify STLT data-related frustrations and desired outcomes
- Topic-centered approach focused on:
 - 1) Legionnaires' disease
 - 2) Listeria
 - 3) Childhood lead poisoning
 - 4) HIV
- Conducted virtually using Mural, a virtual space for visual collaboration

CDC/USDS representatives provided a first look at the results from the HIV and Childhood Lead Focus Groups, including the makeup of focus group participants, common frustrations, and desired outcomes. Feedback was provided from 10 states plus DC for HIV data elements and 15 states for Childhood Lead data elements, including epidemiologists, administration/ leadership, information specialists/ informatics, and clinicians. The final report will be shared in January 2023, to include a synthesis of findings across conditions, recommendations, and next steps. Findings will be presented to the DMI-C.

Consortium Updates

Presenter(s): Holly Wilson, Agnes Warner

Questions for the Consortium

- **What suggestions do you have for outreach to STLTs?**
 - ▶ Webinar series in the works
 - ▶ Web content
 - ▶ Townhall meetings and listening sessions (CDCF)
- **DMI-C meeting cadence in 2023?**
- **What topics would you like to cover in the coming year?**

Leads from the DDPHSS DMI Partnerships Team reviewed the timeline for STLT guidance, which will go through a review process and eventually be published to a technical audience. Consortium members were asked for feedback regarding the overall impression of the Consortium, the meeting series cadence, and topics for future discussion.

For questions regarding the CDC DDPHSS-DMI Consortium, please contact DMIconsortium@cdc.gov.