

OCCN Executive Team Meeting Notes
Thursday, 04/09/2020
Zoom Meeting ID: 453 352 893

Attendance:

Andrea Rooks , Dana Northrup, Dr. Mark Doescher, Dr. William Dooley, Dana Northrup, Katie VanFossen, Lindsey Diel, Stephanie Pharr, Stephanie Pharr, Stephanie U'Ren, Tia Yancey

Welcome:

Katie VanFossen opened the Executive Team Meeting via Zoom because of COVID 19 Pandemic safety measures.

Opening Discussion:

Dr. Doescher explained that this meeting is going to be different than past meetings because of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Dr. Doescher:

The National Cancer Institute has announced an increase for the fiscal year end support grants. HPV Vaccinations – Will focus on vaccine absence and how to raise the number of people being vaccinated for HPV and why vaccine rate is low. Proposal for possible funding will go out in May. Colorectal Cancer Screening and Follow up Initiative-The National Cancer Institute will survey rural areas and the Tribal population for Cancer Prevention. COVID-19 has slowed down care for diagnostic follow up for colorectal screening, vaccinations rates and mammograms. COVID-19 has created a rapid transition for Telehealth. Payment structure by insurers has changed. Ultimately this may be an advantage for health care in regards to the evolution of Telehealth.

Tia Yancey:

Take Charge! is on hold at the present but Take Charge! team members are focusing on outreach and recruitment plans to get women screened once we can do again (also the same with colorectal). Tia reported frustration from contractors and partners because everyone wants to screen but can't because of COVID-19. The challenges being faced at this time are hard for everyone.

Katie VanFossen:

Some ACS patient services have been suspended (due to the COVID-19 Pandemic) as well as the transportation program because of CDC recommendations. Patient Lodging is being utilized by the health professionals treating COVID-19 patients.

Stephanie Pharr:

Community Outreach Programs/Stevenson Cancer Programs have been put on hold because of COVID-19 such as HVP, FIT Clinic, and Prostate Cancer Initiative. Education and Outreach is on hold but still working on plan to roll out this fall.

Dr. Dooley:

No reporting from the work groups. All systematic patients are being seen and treated.

Stephanie U'Ren:

Prevention is at a stop because legislative will not be meeting because of COVID-19.

Tobacco - Health Department submitted another 5 year funding cycle with the CDC for state tobacco control program and lung cancer is mentioned.

Obesity is slow in progress because of COVID-19. Representative Sterling passed bill for fitness testing from grades 3 -12.

Harold Rights "Smoke Free Bill" is in 2nd year and he is terming out so that is up in the air. Rules will be amended next year

Andrea Rooks:

There is no Lead and Co Lead for Lung Cancer Group. Andrea has reached out but hasn't gotten great feedback from anyone. Anyone with ideas or contacts please reach out to them and see if they are interested.

Smartsheet progress review was done on work group activities and objectives-will be a helpful tool for the next 5 year plan.

Lindsey Diel:

Colorectal Task Force- Survey was sent out asking if wanted to keep the task force meeting every month or alternate with comp cancer. Alternation with Comp Cancer won the vote.

Tia Yancey:

Wanted to put on everyone's radar to start gathering people that want to work on the State Cancer Plan.

Katie VanFossen:

Strategic planning in May is not feasible at this time. Katie instructed the group to think of goals for the rest of 2020.

Closing Discussion:

Dr. Doescher instructed the group to look at policy goals during down time and to focus on educational policy issues;

Andrea Rooks tasked leads to think of who they would like to serve as their co leads/ideas of who to recruit and called for June/July agenda items-noted that OCCN By-laws are on schedule

for June/July meetings, Tableau roll-out may be postponed-our Integrated Services team have taken over the project.

Notes: The May OCCN & June OCCN Executive Team (on-site) meetings will be held by virtual meeting (ZOOM) due to Covid-19 safety measures and respect for the safety of those that visit and/or receive services at the Stephenson Cancer Center.

Meeting Adjourned