Today’s Roadmap

• Welcome!
• Metro Denver Partnership for Health’s (MDPH) history, structure, and goals
• MDPH 2023 priority areas and workgroups
• Workgroup expectations
• Question-and-answer session
Welcome From Your Chairs

Regional Collaborative Committee (RCC)
- Monica Buhlig, Adams County Health Department
- Kelly Shanahan, Colorado Access
- Dr. Judy Shlay, Public Health Institute at Denver Health

Local Public Health Agency (LPHA) Steering Committee
- Bob McDonald, Denver Department of Public Health and Environment
- Michael Hill, Douglas County Health Department
MDPH Overview
About the Metro Denver Partnership for Health

Vision
Improved health in metro Denver through regional collaboration

Mission
We build partnerships between our agencies and across sectors to increase capacity for achieving our vision
Official Partners

- Adams County Health Department
- Arapahoe County Public Health
- Boulder County Public Health
- Broomfield County Public Health and Environment
- Centura Health
- Children’s Hospital Colorado
- Colorado Access
- Colorado Community Health Alliance

- Denver Department of Public Health and Environment
- Denver Health and Hospital Authority/Public Health Institute at Denver Health
- Douglas County Health Department
- HealthONE
- Intermountain Healthcare
- Jefferson County Public Health
- Kaiser Permanente Colorado
- National Jewish Health
- UCHealth
Guiding Principles
MDPH Outcomes

• Increased trust, respect, and commitment among partners

• Reduced burden on and increased efficiency in engaging with community and other stakeholders

• Pooled resources and improved funding reach

• Improved health outcomes and decreased disparities
Regional Collaborative Committee
Representatives from each sector (LPHAs, health systems, RAEs)
Three Chairs

Cross-sector Workgroups
Health Equity, Immunizations, Behavioral Health, S-HIE

LPHA Steering Committee
LPHA Directors
Two Chairs

LPHA Workgroups
Climate Change, Healthy Beverage Partnership, Early Childhood
2023 Priority Areas
Health Equity

*Cultivate cross-sector collaboration; innovate and advocate for equitable practices within and through MDPH and our communities*

**Activities**

- Cultivate an inclusive community
- Build capacity of workgroup members and MDPH partners
- Help MDPH be a regional leader in health and racial equity
Immunizations

Address inequitable outcomes of vaccine preventable diseases by promoting immunizations through community-based ambassador organizations

Activities

• Train and support trusted messengers (ambassadors) in educating the community
• Build ambassador capacity to support vaccine clinics
• Assess sustainability
Behavioral Health

Reduce stigma associated with mental health among priority populations by partnering with community organizations to increase their capacity to promote anti-stigma messages within their communities

Activities

• Train and support trusted messengers (ambassadors) in educating the community
• Build trust with ambassadors and community
• Support alignment with MDPH partners on other behavioral health issues
Social-Health Information Exchange

Advance whole-person and whole-family well-being by coordinating resources and services across health care, human service, and community-based providers

Activities

• Develop and facilitate implementation, accountability, community engagement, and sustainability activities

• Convene a community board to ensure community-driven priorities and decisions
Climate and Health

Advance public health planning and response to address the impacts of climate change on health

Activities

• Advance equity – focus on people disproportionately impacted
• Improve communication tools and resources
• Improve data collection and analysis
LPHA-Led Priority Areas

- Healthy beverages
- Early childhood and health
- Emerging issues as needed (COVID-19)
Activities Over the Years
Workgroup Expectations
Workgroup Support

MDPH leadership is committed to:

• Identifying strategic direction and responding to emerging opportunities to improve health in Denver
• Providing a platform for shared decision-making and networking
• Addressing capacity and workload needs
• Reviewing funding needs and requests
Workgroup Support

CHI is committed to:

- Continuous quality improvement
- Ensuring collaboration and coordination across workgroups and partners
- Integrating equity and best practices in all we do
Workgroup Expectations

• Actively participate in workgroup meetings, including helping identify clear goals
• Champion and implement activities
• Complete action items in a timely manner
• Identify and share funding opportunities
• Reach out to facilitator or chairs regularly with feedback
• If transitioning off, notify leadership and facilitator
How Can I Get Involved?

• Work with MDPH leadership to identify what workgroups may be of interest

• Reach out to the workgroup facilitator or Nicole for more information on joining meetings and the listserv