Overview & Discussion: Next steps for the future of public health in Kansas project

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What is the Project Goal?

To develop a definition of what constitutes a set of foundational public health services that should be available to all residents and communities statewide, and to explore the cost and organizational models for providing those services.

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How We’ve Organized to Do the Work

- Kansas Public Health Systems Group
  - Michelle Ponce, KALHD, PHSG Chair
  - KDHE, KEHA, KHI, KHA, KPHA, KSU, KU, WSU, KHF

- Future of Public Health in Kansas Project
  - Active PHSG members

- Council on the Future of Public Health in Kansas
  - Statewide Partners

- Future of Public Health in Kansas Subcommittees

- Assessment Subcommittee
  - Gianfranco Pezzino, Sarah Hartsig & Jason Orr
  - Kansas Health Institute

- Financial Subcommittee
  - Sharla Smith
  - KUMC-Wichita

- Legal Subcommittee
  - Tanya Honderick & Robert Moser
  - KS Public Health Association

- Policy Subcommittee
  - Michelle Ponce
  - Kansas Association of Local Health Departments

- Coordination & Project Management Support
  - Ty Kane
  - Wichita State University

Future of Public Health in Kansas Timeline

- **MARCH 2015**
  - The Statewide Public Health Vision Summit
  - Themes:
    - • Funding, politics and leadership are a vicious cycle for public health.
    - • Social determinants are key drivers of health.
    - • Partners share a value that all Kansas should live in safe & healthy communities.

- **SEPTEMBER 2015**
  - KALHD Vision Summit
  - “A system of Local Health Departments committed to helping all Kansans achieve optimal health by providing Foundational Public Health Services.”

- **NOVEMBER 2015**
  - Future of Public Health in KS Project Launches
  - The goal is to develop a definition of what constitutes a set of foundational public health services that should be available to all residents and communities statewide, and to explore the cost and organizational models for providing those services.

- **BY JUNE 2017**
  - ANTICIPATED REPORTS
  - The PHSG Future of Public Health in KS subcommittees will:
    - • Define the FPHS for Kansas.
    - • Recommend policies to strengthen public health in Kansas.
    - • Recommend a model to deliver the FPHS in Kansas.
    - • Recommend options for funding the FPHS in Kansas.

- **TO BE DETERMINED**
  - IMPLEMENTATION
  - The PHSG & its subcommittees will develop a report describing strategies and options for FPHS implementation in Kansas. The plan will be implemented over time.
What is the Role of the Council?

• Help us make progress on this adaptive challenge.
• Provide advice and ideas from your unique vantage point.
• Get curious.
• Shape public health and influence the health and safety of Kansans.

What Type of Input is Needed?

• Provide advice and ideas to help inform the work of the subcommittees.
• Help us think about HOW to manage future recommendations and change.
How Will the Work be Done?

- At least three in-person meetings.
- E-mail updates as needed.
- Open to other ideas to generate dialogue and sharing of information.

Upcoming Meetings

- Location in Topeka
- Consideration will be given to legislative calendar
- Topics will include: LHD Programs, Services & Capabilities, Legal & Policy Issues & Fiscal Issues

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