

Marshfield Public Health Excellence Group Meeting Minutes
March 1, 2023 1:00 PM- 1:15 PM

In attendance: Gary Russell, Marshfield; Lisa Cuillity, Pembroke; Maureen Jasie, Pembroke BOH member; William Droheim, Marshfield PHE Group Shared Services Coordinator

Updates

William Droheim began the meeting with the updates on the agenda. The Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association (MIIA) Policy representative for Marshfield stated that the liability and health insurance will not cover PHE Grant hires. The Marshfield PHE Group can purchase their own policy or strictly hire non full-time employees and have them sign waiver liabilities. Mr. Droheim attended the Shared Services Coordinator Collaborative Space and the Shared Services Agreement “Meet and Greet” virtual meetings. The meetings were designed to network among PHE groups, share resources and best practices, and problem solve as a team. The regional training hub for the Marshfield Public Health Excellence Group will be in Randolph, MA. Mr. Droheim had the Marshfield PHE Group Quarter 3 meeting with Bethany Griles on February 28, 2023. They discussed the upcoming Capacity Assessment, health equity training, spending, group substance use programs, and overall progress of the group. The Capacity Assessment for the Marshfield PHE Group will be April 4, 2023 from 10 AM – 11:30 AM on Zoom. The municipal staff of each town are encouraged to attend. The next Marshfield PHE Group meeting will be April 5, 2023 at 1 PM.

Topics to be Discussed

The letters of commitment were due on January 31, 2023. All the letters of commitment are submitted and approved for each municipality in the group, except for Hanover.

The South Shore Food Truck Association has an event scheduled for March 28, 2023 in Hanover. Hanover, Norwell and Pembroke will each hire their own food inspectors for the event, while Marshfield and Rockland will contract ALSCO food inspection services. The total amount of food trucks inspected will be split between Marshfield and Rockland, which then will be submitted separately and paid by the Marshfield PHE Grant. The exact number of trucks is unknown at this time. (The town of Marshfield requires original invoices/receipts in order to process them. All invoices must be submitted in a timely fashion to both Gary Russell and William Droheim in order to get approved.)

The Marshfield PHE Group Program Coordinator, Bethany Griles, reached out to Mr. Droheim to get more information about the group’s current substance use programs. She inquired to see what kind of programs were in place for drugs, alcohol and tobacco. Lisa Cuillity informed the group the only program in place is the South Shore Tobacco Initiative. The purpose of the program is to prevent youth tobacco and vaping use, and increase the knowledge about the facts of vaping and smoking and the harm it may cause. The initiative is made up of the towns of Hanover, Norwell, Pembroke, Rockland and Weymouth. Marshfield is currently applying to be part of the group.

Lisa Cuillity stated additional health inspectors would be a benefit of the PHE grant in order to provide coverage when full time health directors/agents are absent or on leave.

Adjourn- 1:15 PM