



County Committees Continue to Develop Strategies and Action Plans

Each of the County Committees met in April and May, honoring in on the strategies and action plans they are developing for community health improvement plans.

July 14 is when the groups will have their plans submitted to the County Chairs, and then the work of developing a Community Health Improvement template for each county will begin.

The next County Committee meetings are:

Union County: July 10, 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Morris County: July 11, 9:30am - 11:30am, Morris County Public Library

Passaic County: July 17, 9:00am - 11:00am

Sussex County: July 25, 11:00am - 1:00pm

Warren County CHIC: August 1, 9:00am - 11:00am

Community Health Needs Assessments

The Data Committee is finalizing the Community Health Needs Assessments for each county. We are anticipating a July 1 release date.

The Data Committee meets with the website representative to enhance features. New tools in development include a better tool for strategy tracking and one for visual storytelling. This new feature is projected to be available by September 2019.

Collective Impact in Action: Sharing Resources

Sussex County has been collaborating on collecting and analyzing BMI data on school age children with school nurses. Working with the Data Committee, Atlantic Health Strategic Planning is offering to do the analysis this year.

Spotlight

NJHC's Past President Arlene Stoller has retired from Morris County Office of Health Management after 16 years of dedicated service to the office. With over 30 years of experience in the public health field, her expertise and knowledge will be missed. Arlene will still be involved with the Collaborative and continue teaching as an adjunct professor at William Paterson University. We wish Arlene all the best in her retirement.



How Many Indicators Can We Check Off?

Backbone Effectiveness: 27 Indicators

Guide Vision and Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partners accurately describe the common agenda Partners publicly discuss / advocate for common agenda goals Partners' individual work is increasingly aligned with common agenda Board members and key leaders increasingly look to backbone organization for initiative support, strategic guidance and leadership
Support Aligned Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partners articulate their role in the initiative Relevant stakeholders are engaged in the initiative Partners communicate and coordinate efforts regularly, with, and independently of, backbone Partners report increasing levels of trust with one another Partners increase scope / type of collaborative work Partners improve quality of their work Partners improve efficiency of their work Partners feel supported and recognized in their work
Establish Shared Measurement Practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shared data system is in development Partners understand the value of shared data Partners have robust / shared data capacity Partners make decisions based on data Partners utilize data in a meaningful way
Build Public Will	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community members are increasingly aware of the issue(s) Community members express support for the initiative Community members feel empowered to engage in the issue(s) Community members increasingly take action
Advance Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Target audience (e.g., influencers and policymakers) is increasingly aware of the initiative Target audiences advocate for changes to the system aligned with initiative goals Public policy is increasingly aligned with initiative goals
Mobilize Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funders are asking nonprofits to align to initiative goals Funders are redirecting funds to support initiative goals New resources from public and private sources are being contributed to partners and initiative

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