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## Governance Committee

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October 7, 2019

**Chair:** Jeff Combs

**Present:** Dr. Joseph Miner, Dr. Marc Babitz, Heather Borski, Paul Patrick, Ralph Clegg, Lloyd Berentzen, Gary Edwards, Jeff Combs, Jerry Edwards, Jill Parker, Nate Checketts

**Phone:** Dean Penovich

**Visitors:** Megan Waters, Shellee Smith, Cindy Burnett, Ginny Ambernac

**Voting Members:** Dr. Joseph Miner, Heather Borski, Paul Patrick, Ralph Clegg, Lloyd Berentzen, Jeff Combs

**Co-Chairs:** Heather Borski & Jeff Combs

### Minutes

Approve minutes from September 16, 2019 Governance meeting.

**Motion to approve:** **1st:** Ralph Clegg **2nd:** Paul Patrick

**Voting Members:** Dr. Joseph Miner, Heather Borski, Paul Patrick, Ralph Clegg, Lloyd Berentzen, Jeff Combs

**Rape Prevention and Education: Using the Best Available Evidence for Sexual Violence Prevention - Megan Waters (Handout).**

- This is a continuation application for year two of a four-and-a-half-year grant.
- The first year of this grant will be concluded in January and the second year will begin February 1, 2020.
- Funding for implementation of primary prevention strategies to prevent sexual violence in communities.
- Last year, additional competitive funding was applied for and awarded on top of the population plus base amount from CDC and making the total award \$680,532.
- It is a requirement to implement 75% of strategies at the community level such as policy systems and environmental change prevention work.
- There are 10 local subrecipients who were awarded through a competitive RFP in May 2019.
- Budget summary and synopsis of use of funds provided on handout.
- Two local health departments are funded. Weber Morgan and Tri County.
- Average subrecipient award amounts are based on funding requests.
- Ceiling cap is \$100,000. Highest award amount is \$75,000. Lowest award amount is about \$20,000
- This funding has been a program of CDC since the 1990's through their division of violence prevention.
- Applicants receiving funding include various local government and community-based nonprofits
- A project evaluator is assisting with designing state and local level evaluation plans as they move away from the individual level strategies.
- Evaluations will include and measure community reach, long term learning, changes made in communities, and what members of the community view as increases in safety.
- The \$690,532 award amount is expected through January 2024 with the same 10 organizations for the full four and a half years of the grant.
- The 10 organizations are:
  - CAPSA in Logan, UT
  - Weber Morgan
  - Boys and Girls Club
  - Centro de la Familia in Salt Lake City, UT

- Canyon creek Services in Cedar City, UT
- Tri County Health Department
- The Division for Services for People with Disabilities
  - A state agency doing a project to increase safety and policy change in their local organizations for populations with disabilities.
- The Utah Coalition Against Sexual Assault
- Seek Haven in Moab, UT
- Outcomes will be shown over four years, not year to year.
- Community level prevention activities such as policy systems and environmental change prevention can happen within their defined community with changes in the context of the people they serve.
  - For example, if population is defined as Boys and Girls Club participants, that is the community.
  - The Boys and Girls Club of greater Salt Lake is planning policy changes for their five Salt Lake County locations as well as their locations in Price and Tooele.
- The focus is primarily on underserved populations.
- Heather Borski moves to categorize this as a “Needs Review” grant. Ralph Clegg seconds.
- Deliverables are assessed annually and contract monitoring is done regularly.
- Four local health departments applied for the RFP.
- One time, one-year funding is very difficult to get programs off the ground in communities.
- The largest recipients of funding are the Tri County Health Department and Seek Haven in Moab receiving about \$70,000
- Duchesne County is a priority with the highest burden of sexual violence and reported rape in their county. Sexually explicit media has been found in schools. They are working with youths and schools for primary prevention.
- Seek Haven in Moab, UT is doing some community change work within the tourism industry due to reports from employees and participants about issues and policy change work with community business as well as working with the school system.

**Motion to Categorize as a “Needs Review” Grant - 1st:** Heather Borski **2nd:** Ralph Clegg

**Vote Yes:** Dr. Joseph Miner, Heather Borski, Paul Patrick, Ralph Clegg, Lloyd Berentzen, Jeff Combs

**Motion to approve - 1st:** Ralph Clegg **2nd:** Heather Borski

**Vote Yes:** Dr. Joseph Miner, Heather Borski, Paul Patrick, Ralph Clegg, Lloyd Berentzen, Jeff Combs

#### **Susan G. Koman FY19 Utah Community Grants Program Request for Applications - Shellee Smith**

- New 18-month grant of around \$200,000
- Finished a successful 1-year grant cycle last year focusing on women 40-49 who are low income, uninsured, or underinsured.
- The focus for this new year will remain the same.
- The target population for CDC funding is women from 50-64+ depending on criteria.
- This funding is to pay for screening mammograms only and will not pay for local health department or clinic appointments.
- This funding is for local health departments to increase the screenings of the 40-49 age population.
- Contracts with local health departments and community health centers as part of the Cancer Control Program are being utilized to spread the funding across the state of Utah.

- The funding will be used primarily in rural and frontier areas as well as the Wasatch front urban areas.
- The funding will only pay for screening mammograms, not the time spent by the local health department.
- 75% of women seen must be between the ages of 50-64+ per CDC's core indicator criteria.
- 25% is allowable for women ages 40-49. This funding will assist in reinforcing that screening number.
- The CDC funding numbers for ages 40-64+ is not being met, therefore full funding is not being received.
- The numbers are being met or close to for the 40-49 range however the numbers for the 50-64+ are not therefore it does not meet the CDC requirement of 75/25%.
- Funding has been reduced from \$3.3 million to \$2.9 million per year.
- If requirements are not met, CDC fund will be reduced again next year.
- Last year 71% of women 50-64+ in the state of Utah were screened.
- Community centers met between 48-84% of screening numbers for women 50-64+.
  - Toole 84%
  - Utah county 83%
- Local health department and community centers must understand the importance of meeting these numbers in order to avoid reductions in funding.
- Screenings may be done in mobile unit and standing facilities.
- Garfield and Huntsman University of Utah have agreed to go to all screening areas with 2 mobile units.
- Intermountain Health will start screening in December or January with one mobile unit.
- Utah is still one of the lowest screening rates in the US.
- Decentralization is in progress for keeping track of the follow up. This will be the responsibility of the local health departments and community clinics.
- Follow up will still be monitored through requests for vouchers.
- Financial reports are sent to health and nursing directors as well as some screening nurses.
- Monthly reports for local health departments and community health centers will be sent to Jill Parker for distribution to the local health departments/health officers.
- The application was due on September 19<sup>th</sup>, this has been expedited.
- \$100,000 was awarded last year for 12 months and \$200,000 is projected this year for 18 months.

**Motion to approve - 1st:** Lloyd Berentzen **2nd:** Heather Borski

**Vote Yes:** Dr. Joseph Miner, Heather Borski, Paul Patrick, Ralph Clegg, Lloyd Berentzen, Jeff Combs

#### **Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Cooperative Agreement Supplemental Funding - Dean Penovich**

- This grant was approved by Governance 6 months ago.
- CDC awarded \$372,600 to replace nerve agent metabolite testing equipment at the Level 2 Chemical Laboratory for screening.
- Two bids were submitted, and the equipment has been ordered.
- Although this is exempt, it is part of the Public Health Preparedness which is not exempt.
- High risk labs throughout the state are monitored by CDC audit.

**Motion to approve - 1st:** Lloyd Berentzen **2nd:** Paul Patrick

**Vote Yes:** Dr. Joseph Miner, Heather Borski, Paul Patrick, Ralph Clegg, Lloyd Berentzen, Jeff Combs

#### **2019 Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Prevention and Control of Emerging Infections Diseases (ELC) - Cindy Burnett and Ginny Ambernac**

- This year is the first year of the new five-year cycle of this grant approved in April.

- The notice of award was received in July. The information was brought to the Epi-Exec group who presented it to the local health officers.
- Last year's award amount was \$3,800,000 and increased this year to \$5,700,000.
- The increase was primarily \$1,800,000 awarded to the public health lab to become a regional antibiotic resistance laboratory that will be doing testing for several surrounding states out of seven regional AR laboratories in the country.
- This year's funding is less than last year due to the inclusion of the NSSP grant (National Syndromic Surveillance Program) which was previously a separate grant.
- Exclusion of the lab and the NSSP grant shows the total award as \$150,000 less than last year and less than the amount requested.
- This project is essentially 28 grants combined into one and the funding comes separately from different areas of CDC and activity requirements are very specific.
- Changes to the following categories have been made this year:
  - A. Cross-cutting Epi has been reduced by \$135,000.
    - This is not entirely accurate due receiving \$124,000 in the new section B, Leadership Management, that was previously in section A.
  - D. Impact and Evaluation project will no longer be funded moving forward.
  - Significant cuts in the HAI project funding as well as Vector-borne diseases.
    - Primarily Zika funding and testing capacity.
  - Increases received in Health Information Systems are due to the NSSP grant moving into this section.
- Utah is ranked 9<sup>th</sup> in the country for total funding received through this grant.
- The \$1,800,000 awarded to the public health lab will allow for testing assistance to other labs in the 8-state region with 2,000-3,000 samples anticipated each year.
- Lab results and prevention activities are communicated via website seasonally.
- Weekly/monthly/annual surveillance reports on each disease on website.
  - This information is not emailed or distributed to local health departments.
- CDC is very interested chronic wasting disease in deer which may be why Prion funding is received.
  - Only seven states receive Prion funding.
  - Hunter education is an activity for this grant.
- Dashboards with EpiTrax are being worked on to increase situational awareness and an at a glance view for better communication and information.
- Epi leads from each local health department are involved in weekly standup calls as a way to stay current on communication.
- The Dream Program is funded almost exclusively through this grant.
- There are at least 10 epidemiologists receiving at least partial funding through this grant as well as administrative assistants, financial staff, and 3-5 staff within HIS and SSP.
- Chronic disease Epi's are currently being trained in response capacity.
- There is a question of who should take the lead, the Dream Epi's or the Health promotion Epi's?
- The Dream Epi's have the capacity, but it doesn't fall into the scope of what they are funded for.
- There is a specific knowledge base around vaping, industry, and use patterns, it was very valuable to have subject matter experts involved with the Epi team working together.
- Each grant has data requirements to report creating an increase in capacity for data collection.
- Many projects also require designated Epi for each project.
- Project where funds were received for local health department contracts were:
  - The Cross-Cutting Epi section - \$100,000

- Outside contract - \$20,000 for Epi training conference supplemental one-time funding awarded.
- \$371,000 was awarded last year to the local health departments, including the NSSP grant and the \$40,000 received for the Hepatitis A outbreak that was special one-time funding.
- \$293,000 in funding this year, not including the \$20,000 for the Epi training conference and \$13,000 that local health officers decided to use towards that training conference.
- Last year the \$13,000 was awarded to each local health department at \$1,000 each.
- Local Health Department Award Funding:
  - Cross-Cutting reduced from \$130,000 to \$100,000.
  - NSSP awarded with \$115,000 - given to the local health departments previously funded because that is where capacity has previously been built
  - Foodborne Outbreak training is the same as last year's funding.
  - Mycotics funding increased from \$8,394 to \$11,987 which has been given to South West due to where this disease occurs.
  - Prion Diseases increased from \$24,200 to \$25,000.
  - VPD funding is new this year.
  - Legionella funding reduced from \$41,000 to \$15,000 - received as supplemental funding after meeting with Epi Exec. Intended to fund 3 local health departments based on burden of disease to do prevention activities.
- The local health officers decided that the Cross-Cutting funding, the Prion funding, and the VPD funding would be distributed using the Governance formula.
- Cross-Cutting Outbreak training funds and the Food Borne Outbreak training funds will be combined and awarded to the local health officers association to host training conference.
- Funding goes through July 31, 2020 and is intended to support investigations of non-STD and non-TB infectious diseases.
- CDC does not receive detailed report for amounts to each local health department.
- Utah is not eligible for certain grants because the state's burden is not high enough.
- More information and communication will be had regarding the benefit of the lab to the local health departments as well as other states.
- Keegan McCaffrey and Cindy Burnett will create a solution for reporting and information in local health departments jurisdictions including information from tests showing both positive and negative results.
- Lloyd Berentzen motions to approve as presented with the request for better explanations of funding benefits, deliverables, and how local jurisdictions are affected. Heather Borski seconds.

**Motion to approve - 1st:** Lloyd Berentzen **2nd:** Heather Borski

**Vote Yes:** Dr. Joseph Miner, Heather Borski, Paul Patrick, Ralph Clegg, Lloyd Berentzen, Jeff Combs

#### Other Agenda Items:

- None.

**Next Meeting - October 21, 2019 - 11:30am - Room 401**

#### Motion to adjourn

**Motion 1st:** Paul Patrick **2nd:** Heather Borski

**Voting Members:** Dr. Joseph Miner, Heather Borski, Paul Patrick, Ralph Clegg, Lloyd Berentzen, Jeff Combs