

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Name: Data Synthesis Workgroup

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 13, 2005
2:30 – 4:30 pm

Location: MPHI Interactive Learning Center, Main Room, Okemos

Present: Umbrin Ateequi, Elaine Beane, Gary Burmeister, Dale Carlson, Janette Davis, Raymond Higbea, Cathy Maxwell, Ken Miller, Robert Mosher, DeAnna Warren, Carolynn Rowland, Traci Wightman

Minutes

Topic	Discussion	Results
<p>Update from Elaine Beane on the work of the Models Development Workgroup (MDWG), town hall meetings, and the Advisory Council</p>	<p>The MDWG presented the various expansion models before the Advisory Council on December 5, 2005. Their aim was to ascertain direction from the Advisory Council. Ten town hall meetings have been held across the State thus far for the Health Care Listening Tour. The final town hall meeting will be held tomorrow, December 14, 2005 in Macomb County. The Advisory Council meeting on December 5 consisted of reports on the work of the three workgroups (including the DSWG), along with presentations of proposals from the four expansion models.</p>	<p>On December 21, 2005, a work session of lead MDWG members will be held to begin stitching together the models and laying out a 1, 3 and 5 year plan for achieving the goal of 100% coverage.</p>
<p>Current Status of the Household Survey Report (Executive Summary), the Employer Survey, and Focus Groups</p>	<p>An Executive Summary of the Michigan Household Health Insurance Survey is available in Draft form. Revisions to the Household Survey Report are currently underway.</p> <p>Data collection for the Employer Survey is complete. The databases are ready for analysis. We are at the point of determining what analysis and syntax to use to make sense of the data. Response rate for the Employer Survey was approximately 10%.</p> <p>The Focus Groups have exhibited poor attendance. The only part that has been successful is the individual calling of employers (88</p>	<p>DSWG members are requested to help in identifying methodological issues with regards to the Employer Survey. Contact is also being made with DLEG to determine comparability with State data. The Employer Survey should be out in Draft fairly soon.</p> <p>The East Jordan focus group is scheduled for tomorrow, December 14, 2005. Around 15 participants are expected.</p>

	responses). However, these phone interviews lack the group dynamics of a focus group.	
Presentation of Preliminary Data from the Employer Survey	Elaine Beane presented a preliminary review of some of the data from the Employer Survey. 12,000 surveys were mailed to employers. 1,261 surveys were completed. 2,335 employers refused to participate in the study.	There will be a more detailed report presentation of the Employer Survey by the next DSWG meeting.
Discussion of Elements included in Review of Health care Safety Net for Michigan	A brief review of indicators for measuring the capacity of Michigan's Safety Net providers was conducted. The Safety Net composition in MI will change if any of the expansion models are put into implementation. Codes and Definitions were provided for review from the NETstats data, a data collection program for FCOM (Free Clinics of Michigan). We do not have the Dataset itself yet. There are approximately 70 Free Clinics in Michigan. The uninsured have a tendency to go to FQHCs, due to a sliding fee scale.	Upon reviewing the indicators for a Safety Net scan, DSWG members have been asked to select data and indicators important and most relevant to covering the entire uninsured population in the State. The DSWG would like to compare longitudinal data on the uninsured from various sources. Members were asked to review the FCOM data elements in more detail. Janette Davis is going to try and get access to the VODI (Voices of Detroit Initiative) database of the uninsured. The group is interested in obtaining information on the data elements and definitions, similar to that received from FCOM.
Review of Articles in Handout	The "course-pack" for this meeting includes a list of parameters, measures and indicators for a "Michigan Health Care Safety Net Review", a Primary Health Care Profile of Michigan, a presentation by FCOM, Codes and Definitions of NETstats (FCOM Data Elements), and a Kaiser Commission Key Facts Sheet on "Covering the Uninsured – Growing Need, Strained Resources."	DSWG members were asked to review the handout materials with the goal of incorporating this information into the upcoming plan for the Michigan Safety Net scan, and the ability to better describe the uninsured.
Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm		January meeting is scheduled for Jan. 10, 2006 at MPHI Interactive Learning Center, 2:30 – 4:30 pm

Submitted by:

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