

## **AGENDA**

Health Equity Commission Data Advisory Work Group

Date: June 24, 2024 Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Webpage:

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OHE Staff: B. Furniss, K. Orr

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Chair: Aaron Green

Members: N. Calonge, M. Guardiola, K. Maestas, Y. Webb, C.

Wells.

**Guests:** 

| Time     | Topic   | Presenter(s)/<br>Facilitator(s) |
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| 12:00 pm | Welcome and Introduction  | Chair                           |
| 12:05 pm | <ul> <li>Discussion of OMB Revised Standards</li> <li>C. Wells provided a recap of last meeting's discussion about the federal Office of Management &amp; Budget's (OMB) revised standards and recommendations for race &amp; ethnicity</li> <li>Statistical Policy Directive #15 concerns standards for collecting data on race and ethnicity. Goal of revision is to result in more accurate data collection</li> <li>States are to implement these standards ASAP but no later than March 28, 2029</li> <li>Combined into single category called minimum categories</li> <li>Federal government standards are the default; if states want any changes they must submit a waiver</li> <li>Provided main categories; people are encouraged to submit all races and ethnicities</li> <li>Federal Interagency Technical Working Group on race</li> </ul> | CDPHE                           |

and ethnicity came up with standards



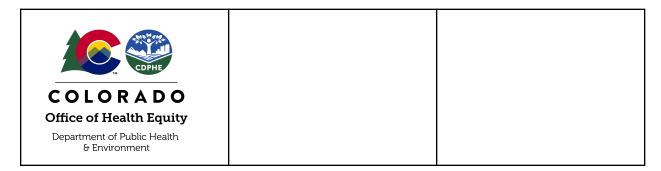
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|          | <ul> <li>Socio-political constructs; not an attempt to define biologically or genetically. More details at granular level</li> <li>N. Calonge - there are real advantages to us mirroring OMB standards. Implementation funding will need to be compared to standards.</li> <li>CDPHE can do data comparisons with other states as well as nationally</li> <li>CO may have one modification: to have a "prefer not to answer" response</li> <li>Idea to send a note to OMB to see if that's an acceptable addition in CO? Agreement.</li> <li>If DAWG makes motion to adopt OMB standards, this decision will go back to Health Equity Commission (HEC)</li> <li>Another important piece is we're going to put in a field for Tribal affiliation and wait until the Office of Health Equity's (OHE) Tribal Data Specialists have run this by Tribal Nations to see if this is acceptable. Will still work through Tribal Data Specialists before we write any reports/move forward with how we report out with more specific identities</li> </ul> |      |
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| 12:10 pm | <ul> <li>ACTION: Vote to adopt OMB Revised Standards for Race and Ethnicity</li> <li>K. Maestas motion to adopt. Y. Webb second</li> <li>VOTE: 6 aye; unanimous approval</li> <li>Next step - share with full HEC at July meeting</li> <li>Any other business? Additional Discussion:</li> <li>N. Calonge - Arlen asked Chris to develop an overarching price tag for expansion of identity information that DAWG has implemented for CDPHE so people are aware of price to update all CDPHE data sets, recognizing that doesn't include funding for field training.</li> <li>In preparation for the next HEC meeting, Chris will come up with a price estimate.</li> <li>BRFSS has updated both SOGI and R/E questions and</li> </ul>   | DAWG |



staff are looking at disability questions. BRFSS and Healthy Kids CO are survey data sets that have moved ahead of other groups since leadership anticipated this

- Immunization systems include R/E and SOGI. Looking to price out disability
- C. Wells working on R/E to align with OMB
- Y. Webb Will other state agencies be able to access info we compile that goes into this data system? And how do you think CDHS will access that? Building new systems or trying to integrate new systems?
- C. Wells While we change CDPHE systems, there will be a reporting functionality that comes from our system but it's not integrating with other systems
- Ned per HB22-1157, we're to do this first and then other agencies can adopt
- For OHE, health equity reports will start to reflect how CDPHE measures disease/mortality, etc.
- Is there a way we should communicate with other state agencies?
- Y. Webb Yes, we should anticipate this and give them a heads up now
- A. Green Yes, especially since HCPF is also working on changes, trying to figure out cost, breakdown with integration, reporting mechanisms, etc.
- Should meet offline to see what that would cost, create a memo/language to state agencies as say FYI, provide ways to get involved, etc.
- Y. Webb Is there a one-pager/summary that Aaron, Ned and Chris can put together to share with respective agencies?
- N. Calonge perhaps this should come from CDPHE leadership? Agreement.
- A. Green let's email a draft; Ned can go back to legislation to ensure people know what we're referring to
- Aaron will start drafting; group can try to get that fleshed out for July HEC meeting



| 12:20 pm | Adjourn | Chair |
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