



**South Dakota Health Improvement Coalition (SHIC)
Virtual (Zoom)
9:00am-12:00pm CT**

Organizations Present: Avera Health, Black Hills Special Services Cooperative, Disability Rights of South Dakota, Helpline Center, Horizon Health Care, Lutheran Social Services, Pennington County Health & Human Services, Sanford Health, Monument Health, South Dakota Department of Education, South Dakota Department of Health, South Dakota Department of Human Services, South Dakota Department of Labor & Regulation, South Dakota Department of Social Services, South Dakota Department of Tribal Relations, South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations, South Dakota Foundation for Medical Care, South Dakota Sheriff's Association, South Dakota State University Extension, Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield

Organizations Absent: City of Sioux Falls, Indian Health Services, South Dakota Department of Transportation, South Dakota Department of Veterans Affairs, South Dakota Council of Community Behavioral Health, WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program

MEETING MINUTES

COALITION MEMBER SHARING

Organizations who were unable to share during the August 2022 meeting had the opportunity to present about their organization, which included the following: SD Department of Human Services, Monument Health, Sanford Health, Pennington County Health and Human Services, SDSU Extension Food and Family.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Coalition members had the opportunity to review and provide feedback on the Guiding Principles that were created during the August 2022 meeting. Guiding Principles were refined, finalized, and will be added to charter document, then shared with coalition members.

- Prioritize South Dakotans
 - People first, organizations second
 - Recognize the common goal
 - Meet people where they are
- Seek Diverse & Inclusive Feedback
 - Represent all populations
 - Recognize community and individual priorities
 - Health is more than health care
- Communicate Courageously
 - Speak truths and accept feedback with the intention of improvement versus judgement
- Maximize Collaboration

- Utilize existing best practices and programs
- Reduce duplication of efforts
- Embrace Data Use & Transparency
 - Promote data-driven solutions
 - Willingly share data

STATE HEALTH ASSESSMENT UPDATES

- Priority Health Indicator Assessment
 - Distributed: December 5, 2022
 - Deadline: December 23, 2022
 - Initial distribution sent to over 900 contacts. Participate and promote the assessments with partners and contacts encouraging them to engage.
 - Target date for results: January 2023
- Community Forums
 - Target: February 2023
 - Locations: Aberdeen, Chamberlain, Huron, and Sioux Falls
- Virtual Meetings and Key Informant Interviews

PRESSING ISSUES EXERCISE

- Workforce Capacity
 - Know
 - Increasing unlicensed professional health-related opportunities (i.e.: Community Health Workers)
 - College/university credit for LTC/DD waiver provider internship
 - High demand for mental health providers. Three accredited counseling programs in SD limited by accreditation and faculty capacity.
 - Clinical assistant to medical assistant focus in ambulatory care
 - New opportunities with West Rivers Health Sciences Center
 - Wonder
 - Are we using LPN to the maximum extent in South Dakota?
 - How can we connect health professional students with rural facilities while in school?
 - Peer support groups
 - What are we paying for travel nursing/CNAs in our state?
 - Can we fast track nursing degrees? Do we still have associate program?
 - Priority Professions:
 - Direct care staff in nursing homes, psychiatric residential treatment, and other facilities
 - Nurses
 - CHWs
 - Innovative Strategies
 - Scope of Practice/Licensure Shifts
 - Promoting SD Healthcare Opportunities/Facilities
 - Limit on the number of students in programs due to accreditation
 - Prove

- Market to out-of-state institutions? Offer tuition reimbursements for term of employment within the state?
 - It would be good to know the numbers of students that apply and perhaps don't get into the program or another program, to understand the need for more academic instructors/professors.
 - JAG program and connecting the kids to health career professions
 - Build Dakota for tech college education in health care. Here is a list of what's eligible:
<https://www.builddakotascholarships.com/programs/healthcare-public-service/>
- Access to Care
 - Know
 - Pennington – Satellite MH services
 - BH/Medical care co-locations/integrated care
 - Link triage center in Sioux Falls
 - Law enforcement and access
 - Crisis intervention training
 - Bed placement shortages for individuals in crisis situations
 - Telehealth: virtual crisis care plan
 - CHWs – successful expansion
- Chronic Disease Burden and Risk Factors
 - Know
 - Remote monitoring
 - COVID impacted engagement with preventive healthcare/disease management
 - Technology is available, but how do we integrate into clinical decision making?
 - SDoH impact: medication/care costs, coordinated care, CHW
 - Balance the access to care with technology but considering health disparities

NEXT STEPS

- Meeting minutes, updated charter document, updated contact list will be provided to coalition members.
- Meetings minute will be posted at: <https://doh.sd.gov/healthequity/>
- Next meeting: April (Date TBD) in-person. Doodle poll will be sent to determine best date.