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Overview of 2018 SCHSAC Work

Reflecting on the State Community Health Services Advisory Committee (SCHSAC) meetings, workgroups and events in 2018, the SCHSAC Executive Committee identified SCHSAC leadership and member engagement as highlights to include in this annual report. At the quarterly meetings, many conversations focused on the importance of prevention. Stories and best practices were shared from across the state. Networking at SCHSAC meetings and at the annual Community Health Conference, sponsored by SCHSAC, was valuable. Executive Committee members agreed SCHSAC workgroups generated valuable insights and were vital in maintaining strong state-local relationships.

SCHSAC continued its work on Strengthening Public Health in Minnesota based on the set of observations, priority actions and future directions set by the initial workgroup, which included members from both inside and outside public health. The SCHSAC Executive Committee committed to providing leadership to ensure implementation of the recommendations; focusing first on the following priorities for action:

- **Priority Action 1:** Clarify the basic public health responsibilities for Minnesota and identify new ways to carry them out.
- **Priority Action 2:** Take steps to align public health funding and resources with local needs.
- **Priority Action 3:** Take a comprehensive and multi-sectoral approach to public health workforce development.

The Strengthening Public Health in Minnesota Technical Group focused on Priority Action 1 and involved the Environmental Health Continuous Improvement Board, the Infectious Disease Continuous Improvement Board and the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Oversight Group.

SCHSAC members' concerns about Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) led to the formation of a new workgroup. The Children of Incarcerated Parents Workgroup began to assess the role of counties in preventing and mitigating the effects of parental incarceration on children.

The Executive Committee held a two-hour planning retreat in October to begin the process of determining SCHSAC's future focus. The Executive Committee and full SCHSAC provided feedback on the issues, goals and key steps. The Issues of Importance and the 2019-2020 Work Plan are living documents, which may be updated as circumstances change.

The following pages provide additional details on the charges, accomplishments and members for SCHSAC workgroups and standing committees.

Strengthening Public Health in Minnesota Technical Group

Charge

Approved September 4, 2018. The purpose of this group is to further the work of the SCHSAC Strengthen Public Health in Minnesota, which presented its final recommendations in February 2018. Specifically priority action 1 – “clarify the basic public health responsibilities for Minnesota” – as outlined by the SCHSAC Strengthening Public Health in Minnesota Workgroup. The technical group will agree on a set of basic public health responsibilities (or Foundational Public Health Services) that represent “what” governmental – state and local – public health should be doing in Minnesota and a framework for communicating those responsibilities.

2018 Summary of Activities

A group of technical experts from state and local public health have been working toward the adoption of a set of basic public health responsibilities (foundational public health services) for governmental (state and local) public health in Minnesota. The Technical Group met three times in 2018 and once in early 2019. Work has included consulting with other states that have done this work, coordinating with existing SCHSAC workgroups and adopting language that works for Minnesota. Once these basic responsibilities are adopted, SCHSAC can move into exploring and testing new models for carrying out public health in Minnesota. Some accomplishments of the technical group, to date, include:

- Defining the foundational public health services for Minnesota. Foundational Areas and Foundational Capabilities define a comprehensive set of programs and skills for public health. Taken together, these represent the Foundational Public Health Services needed by governmental public health in Minnesota.
- Developing a framework for governmental public health in Minnesota. This framework will be a model to illustrate how the Foundational Areas and Foundational Capabilities work together. This model also recognizes that health departments do a lot of important work to meet the specific needs of their community but are not things that must be in place everywhere.
- Identifying a broad work plan to increase understanding and acceptance of the Foundational Public Health Services. This includes developing a plan for communicating this work to local public health, MDH staff and SCHSAC.

2018 Membership

Community Health Board Representatives

- Dawn Beck, Olmsted County CHB
 - Co-Chair, Environmental Health Continuous Improvement Board
- Bonnie Brueshoff, Dakota County CHB
 - Chair, Local Public Health Association
 - Chair, Public Health Emergency Preparedness Oversight Group Workgroup
- Renee Frauendienst, Stearns County CHB
 - Member, Strengthening Public Health In Minnesota Workgroup
- Lowell Johnson, Washington County CHB

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- Member, Strengthening Public Health In Minnesota Workgroup
- Sarah Reese, Polk-Norman-Mahnomen CHB
 - Member, Strengthening Public Health In Minnesota Workgroup
 - Member, Environmental Health Continuous Improvement Board
- Chera Sevcik, Faribault-Martin CHB
 - Member, Strengthening Public Health In Minnesota Workgroup
 - Member, Performance Improvement Steering Committee
- Ann Stehn, Kandiyohi-Renville CHB
 - Member, Strengthening Public Health In Minnesota Workgroup
- Sandy Tubbs, Horizon CHB
 - Member, Strengthening Public Health In Minnesota Workgroup
- Amy Westbrook, Carlton-Cook-Lake-St. Louis CHB
 - Co-Chair, Infectious Disease Prevention and Control Continuous Improvement Board

Minnesota Department of Health Representatives

- Joan Brandt, Community and Family Health Division
- Kris Ehresmann, Infectious Disease Prevention and Control Division, Co-Chair IDEPC Continuous Improvement Board
- Tom Hogan, Environmental Health Division, Co-Chair EH Continuous Improvement Board
- Chelsie Huntley, Center for Public Health Practice
- Cheryl Petersen-Kroeber, Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response, Public Health Emergency Preparedness Oversight Group Workgroup
- Cherylee Sherry, Office of Statewide Health Improvement Initiatives

MDH Workgroup Staff

- DeeAnn Finley, Community Health Division
- Kim Gearin, Center for Public Health Practice
- Becky Sechrist, Center for Public Health Practice

Children of Incarcerated Parents Workgroup

Charge

Approved on June 29, 2018. The SCHSAC Children of Incarcerated Parents workgroup will assess the role of counties in preventing and mitigating the effects of parental incarceration on children. This work will build on ongoing efforts across the state, and is an opportunity for SCHSAG to take a lead role in defining critical gaps in practice and programming as well as opportunities for action at the local level. This group will focus on the role of programs, systems, and environments at the county level with particular focus on the intersection between local jails and local public health. Additional information about this workgroup can be found in its charter document.

2018 Summary of Activities

Over the course of five meetings held between May and November of 2018, the workgroup panelists from groups affected by parental incarceration (caregivers of children of incarcerated parents; youth whose parents are incarcerated; and parents who have experienced incarceration) have joined members on three occasions. The experiences brought forward through the panels helped develop broad themes/ and some specific issues for the members. Members read multiple reports regarding promising/model practices in relationship to the broad themes and are exploring a range of solutions to the health and community issues generated by parental incarceration.

2018 Membership

*County Commissioners

Workgroup Chairs

- Bill Hutton, Minnesota Sheriffs Association
- Sheila Kiscaden, Olmsted County *

Members

- Tracine Asberry, St. Paul Youth Services
- Anne Barry, Ramsey County Public Health
- Dawn Beck, Olmsted County Public Health
- Guy Bowling, Fatherhood Project
- Lee Buckley, Ujamma Place
- Toni Carter, Ramsey County*
- Jackie Dionne, Minnesota Dept. of Health
- Charles Dixon, Minnesota Dept. of Human Services
- Renee Frauendienst, Stearns County
- Devon Gilchrist, Minnesota Dept. of Human Services
- Roger Heinen, Washington County Sheriff

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- Brian Howard, Olmsted County Detention Center
- Vina Kay, Voices for Racial Justice
- Brian Kopperud, Dakota County Community Corrections
- Harlan Madsen, Kandiyohi County *
- Susan Morris, Isanti County *
- Kay Nastrom, Mille Lacs County
- John Poupart, Tribal Health Leader
- Rebecca Schlafer, University of Minnesota
- Ryan Erdmann, Minnesota Association of Counties
- John Sohigian, Caregiver Representative
- Aaron Sojourner, University of Minnesota
- Tim Sumner, Beltrami County *
- Tim Thompson, Minnesota Dept. of Corrections
- Tyler Winkelman, Hennepin County Medical Center

MDH Committee Representatives

- Jeanne Ayers, Assistant Commissioner
- Joan Brandt, Division Director, Child and Family Health
- Debra Burns, Division Director Centers for Health Equity and Community Health

MDH Committee Staff

- Anna Lynn, Child and Family Health Division
- Megan Waltz, Child and Family Health Division

Environmental Health Continuous Improvement Board

Charge

Approved on June 29, 2018. The Environmental Health Continuous Improvement Board (EHCIB) will fundamentally advance Minnesota's state-local partnership in the Environmental Health area of public health responsibility by:

- Developing an Environmental Public Health Framework for Minnesota.
- Developing and monitoring statewide performance measures for the environmental health area of public health responsibility.
- Overseeing the development and implementation of the new Food, Pools, and Lodging Services program evaluation process.

2018 Summary of Activities

Six EHCIB meetings were held in 2018. The following are the key topics and decisions that occurred at these meetings:

Redesign of the Food, Pools, and Lodging Services (FPLS) Program Evaluation Process

The re-design of the FPLS Program Evaluation Process was done in partnership emphasizing sharing, collaboration, and continuous improvement. The second pilot test of new FPLS program evaluation tools and templates began in December 2017. It indicated vast improvement and 2018 was spent developing the remaining tools and templates based on the second pilot's success.

Food, Pools, and Lodging Services (FPLS) Statewide Performance Measures

The collection of FPLS statewide performance measures is a way to collaboratively assess statewide performance and identify statewide opportunities for improvement. The EHCIB piloted the FPLS statewide performance measures and data collection process in 2017 and spent 2018 revising the measures and the process. The FPLS statewide performance measures will be collected again in 2019.

Developing an Environmental Public Health Framework for Minnesota

The framework is intended to further define the environmental health area of public health responsibility (EPH) and outline the various roles, responsibilities, stakeholders, expectations, and communication channels. The framework may also help identify strengths and gaps in EPH services across MN; help assure Minnesotans receive the EPH services they should; and help improve partnership and coordination in the delivery of EPH services.

2018 Membership

* County Commissioners

- Dawn Beck, Olmsted County (non-metro CHB, locally run), co-chair
- Amanda Buell, Hennepin County (metro CHB, locally run)
- Daniel Disrud, Anoka County (metro CHB, locally run)
- Ruth Greenslade, Goodhue County (non-metro CHB, state run)
- *Bill Groskreutz, Faribault County Commissioner (SCHSAC)
- Tom Hogan, Minnesota Department of Health, co-chair
- Kris Lee, Countryside Public Health (non-metro CHB, locally run)
- Jeff Luedeman, Minnesota Department of Agriculture
- Sarah Reese, Polk County (non-metro CHB, state run)
- John Tracy, Stearns County (non-metro CHB, locally run)
- John Weinand, City of Minnetonka (city EH program)

MDH Workgroup Staff

- Megan Drake-Pereyra, Center for Public Health Practice

Infectious Disease Continuous Improvement Board

Charge

Approved on June 29, 2018. The SCHSAC Infectious Disease Continuous Improvement Board's charge is to ensure an effective and efficient state-local partnership in the "prevent the spread of communicable disease" area of public health responsibility. The Infectious Disease CIB will serve as a forum for regular communication, identification of issues, and joint problem solving. The Infectious Disease CIB will also ensure the DP&C Common Activities Framework remains a relevant, useful document.

2018 Summary of Activities

The Infectious Disease Continuous Improvement Board (ID CIB) held its first meeting on January 31, 2018. At this meeting the purpose of the workgroup was refined and potential focus areas were identified and discussed. At the next meeting on April 2, regional feedback on the proposed focus areas for the workgroup were reviewed and discussed. The group prioritized discussion of regional and MDH feedback on the current Diseases Prevention and Control Common Activities Framework (DP&C CAF). During this second meeting, the ID CIB, heard from MDH Infectious Disease Epidemiology Prevention and Control Division management staff on the activities occurring in their respective sections. During the August 17 ID CIB meeting, the group reviewed the current DP&C CAF and developed goals for a revised document and discussed areas of the document that needed specific updates. The final regular in person meeting for the year was on October 1st. At this meeting the group compared the DP&C CAF with similar documents from Washington, Oregon and Kansas. From this comparison, a list of high-level activities was developed and distributed for review and comment. A short conference call December 3 was held to finalize the draft list of high-level activities to share with the Strengthening Public Health workgroup. The first meeting for 2019 will be on January 31st.

2018-19 Membership

SCHSAC Regions

- Northeast: Amy Westbrook (Carlton-Cook-Lake-St Louis)
- West Central: Jamie Hennen (Partnership 4 Health)
- Central: Mary Zelenack (Stearns)
- Metro: Dave Johnson (Hennepin)
- Southwest/South Central:
 - 2018: Allie Elbert, primary (Meeker-McLeod-Sibley); Mary Hildebrandt, alternate (Brown-Nicollet)
 - 2019: Julia Putz (Watonwan)
- Southeast: Deb Purfeerst (Rice)
- Northwest: Cynthia Borgen (Beltrami)

Minnesota Department of Health

- Infectious Disease Prevention and Control Division: Kris Ehresmann, Director
- Infectious Disease Prevention and Control Division: Ellen Hill, Northeastern Region District Epidemiologist, Epidemiology Field Services Unit

MDH Workgroup Staff

- Kristin Sweet, section manager, and Jennifer Zipprich, Epidemiology Field Services Unit supervisor, Cross-cutting Epidemiology, Programs and Partnerships section, Infectious Disease Prevention and Control Division

Performance Improvement Steering Committee

Charge

Approved on June 29, 2018. The Performance Improvement Steering Committee (“the Committee”) leads efforts to improve the quality, effectiveness, efficiency, and equity of Minnesota’s governmental public health system. The Committee:

- Informs and approves performance measures for the local public health annual reporting system
- Sets and monitors performance-related goals for Minnesota’s local public health system
- Analyzes data to assess the performance of Minnesota’s local public health system
- Reports on system performance to SCHSAC and issues recommendations for performance improvement
- Advocates for performance management and using data for decision-making

2018 Summary of Activities

In 2018, the Committee continued to monitor data on the performance of Minnesota’s local public health system. Recognizing that actions taken to address the recommendations of the Strengthening Public Health in Minnesota Workgroup will affect the scope, content, and structure of system-level performance management, the Committee recommended pausing its activities. In December 2018, the SCHSAC Executive Committee elected to conclude the Committee’s charge. They thanked committee members for their work and noted the ongoing importance of performance measurement for public health. SCHSAC will revisit the need for a new workgroup next year.

2018 Committee Membership

- Sue Yost, Chair (Freeborn)
- Lisa Brodsky (Scott)
- Joanne Erspamer (Carlton-Cook-Lake-St. Louis)
- Mary Hildebrandt (Brown-Nicollet)
- Deb Jacobs (Partnership4Health)
- Sarah Kjono (Polk-Norman-Mahnomen)
- Nicole Ruhoff (Benton)
- Chera Sevcik (Faribault-Martin)

MDH Committee Representatives

- Linda Bauck-Todd (Center for Public Health Practice)
- Mickey Scullard (Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response)

MDH Committee Staff

- Phyllis Brashler and Kim Gearin (Center for Public Health Practice)

Public Health Emergency Preparedness Oversight Group

Charge

Approved on June 29, 2018. The SCHSAC Public Health Emergency Preparedness Oversight Work Group will continue as a standing committee under the auspices of SCHSAC to:

- Advise on strategic planning for local and tribal health preparedness activities of public health emergency preparedness in Minnesota.
- Provide ongoing review of local and tribal public health emergency preparedness programs and issues;
- Oversee the continued development of capacity assessment and related measurement outcomes for Minnesota's local and tribal public health emergency preparedness programs; and
- Advocate for resources that sustain and maintain local and tribal public health emergency preparedness capabilities.

2018 Summary of Activities

Provided advice and perspectives on local health department public health preparedness issues during 2018.

Provided input regarding the foundational capabilities for the emergency preparedness and response components of the SCHSAC Strengthening Public Health in Minnesota project.

Suggested training for local health departments on using the incident command system (ICS) and provided input in the workshop, ICS for Local Public Health, that MDH developed. A preliminary report of the nine workshops that were delivered was provided to the workgroup members.

Convened a subgroup to discuss variations to the number of PHEP awards with potential to increase the available allocation for CHBs. This group met twice and shared recommendations to the full oversight group in January, 2019.

Learned of administrative changes at the federal level. However, these changes will not impact CHBs.

- There will be separate applications for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) grant and for the Health Care Preparedness Program (HPP) grant.
- The medical countermeasures program was moved to the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) to better align with BARTA- the purchasing component of DHHS.

2018 Oversight Group Members

* County Commissioners

- Susan Morris, Co-chair * (Isanti)
- Bonnie Brueshoff, Co-chair (Dakota)
- Pam Blixt (Minneapolis)
- Cynthia Borgen (Beltrami)
- David Brummel (Washington)

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- Stacey Durgin, (Aikin-Itasca-Koochiching)
- Cindy Borgen (Beltrami)
- Bill Groskreutz * (Faribault-Martin)
- Mike Matanich (Stearns County)
- Gloria Tobias (Countryside)
- Allie Elbert (Meeker-McLeod-Sibley)
- Amy Roggenbuck (Dodge-Steele)
- Sandy Tubbs (Horizon)

MDH Representatives

- Cheryl Petersen-Kroeber (Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response)
- Deb Radi (Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response)
- Sandra Hanson (Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response)

MDH Oversight Group Staff

- Mickey Scullard (Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response)

SCHSAC Executive Committee

Charge

- Develop the annual work plan for SCHSAC
- Conduct interim business of SCHSAC and develop recommendations for decisions by SCHSAC
- Provide input to the Commissioner of Health upon request

2018 Summary of Activities

The work of the SCHSAC Executive Committee included setting SCHSAC agendas, approving workgroup charges, supporting ongoing committees, and developing the work plan. The Executive Committee also discussed the legislative session, the local public health system infrastructure, health reform, advancing health equity, and other public health issues.

In October, the Executive Committee held a two-hour facilitated planning session to determine issues of importance for SCHSAC going forward. The committee also reviewed and revised SCHSAC's practical vision and mission.

The Issues of Importance document was created based on the ideas generated at the planning session with additional input from the Executive Committee and SCHSAC members and alternates. The SCHSAC agrees to direct its focus toward these four issues of importance. Advancing health equity and inclusion of all communities are crosscutting issues of importance in all of SCHSAC's work.

- Strengthen the public health system
- Promote the value of primary prevention and the role governmental public health
- Respond to urgent and emerging topics
- Work to build resilient communities

The 2019-2020 SCHSAC Work Plan establishes the key steps to work toward desired goals for each issue and how the work will be done for the upcoming 18 months. It is SCHSAC's intention that this be a living document that is updated when needed.

2018 Executive Committee Membership

* Elected Officials

- Chair: Drew Campbell * (Blue Earth)
- Chair-Elect: Harlan Madsen * (Kandiyohi-Renville)
- Past Chair: Doug Huebsch * (Partnership4Health)

Northeast Region

- Beth Olson*(Carlton-Cook-Lake-St. Louis)
- Alt: Lester Kachinske (Aitkin-Itasca-Koochiching)

Northwest Region

- Joan Lee* (Polk-Norman-Mahnomen)
- Alt: Richard Anderson * (Beltrami)

West Central Region

- Larry Kittelson * (Horizon) thru 9/2018
- Sandy Tubbs (Horizon)
- Alt: Doug Huebsch * (Partnership4Health)

Central Region

- Genny Reynolds * (Isanti)
- Alt: Steve Notch * (Stearns)

Metro Region

- Rose Jost (Richfield)
- Alt: Alison Pence (Edina)

Southeast Region

- Paul Drotos* (Goodhue)
- Alt: Amy Caron (Dodge-Steele)

South Central Region

- Bobbie Harder * (Meeker-McLeod-Sibley)
- Alt: Sarah Berry (LeSueur-Waseca)

Southwest Region

- David Lieser * (Countryside)
- Alt: Carol Biren (SWHHS)

MDH Executive Committee Staff

- Becky Buhler (Center for Public Health Practice)

Community Health Conference Planning Workgroup

Charge

Approved on February 23, 2018. SCHSAC charged the Community Health Conference Planning Workgroup with selecting the format, theme, objectives, and speakers for the 2018 Community Health Conference, and assisting MDH staff in hosting the conference.

2018 Summary of Activities

The 2018 Community Health Conference Planning Workgroup worked with MDH staff to organize the format, program, and speakers for the **2018 Community Health Conference - Creating Healthy Communities Brings Us Together**. The conference occurred on October 11, 12, and 13 at the Cragun's Conference Center, Brainerd, Minnesota.

Four hundred-forty statewide public health leaders and professionals attended the conference. Attendees included: local elected officials; local public health administrators, directors and staff; SCHSAC members and alternates; Tribal leadership and staff; community-based organization leadership and staff; Community Health Board and advisory committee members; health plan staff; MDH management and staff; and other public health professionals.

The Community Health Conference is a long-standing, annual event for Minnesota's public health community. First held in 1978, its purpose is to strengthen the unique state-local governmental public health partnership created by the Community Health Services Act. Designed to build knowledge, skill and capacity in Minnesota's public health system, the conference provides an opportunity to share and celebrate the innovative work occurring in communities throughout the state.

During the conference, participants could:

- **Unite** across partnerships, communities, cultures and organizations to improve health for all
- **Share** best practices, knowledge and lessons learned from our successes and failures
- **Engage** in networking, listen to new ideas and have courageous conversations to build understanding
- **Inspire** by encouraging each other and celebrating our efforts

The conference kicked off with Learning Stations and Networking time on Thursday, October 12, 2018. Then MDH Commissioner Jan Malcolm presented her keynote on how we can celebrate and challenge public health leadership. Four 75-minute workshops were offered and repeated that afternoon. Topics included adaptive leadership, building a sustainable field for community health workers, public health advocacy rules and facilitation skills for building participation, engagement and collaboration. The conference closed with Dr. Jeff Linkenbach of the Montana Institute sharing how to sustain positive energy and passion for your work.

Several concurrent sessions reached full capacity. Participants appreciated the variety and quality of the presentations and benefitted by learning from colleagues and partners.

Highlights during the conference included the yearly community health awards ceremony and reception and opportunities to network with public health colleagues. Conference participants continue to see value in this annual conference.

2018 Workgroup Members

* County Commissioners

- Harlan Madsen*, Chair (Kandiyohi-Renville)
- Bobbie Harder* (Meeker-McLeod-Sibley)
- Joan Lee* (Polk-Norman-Mahnomen)
- Marcia Ward* (Winona CHB)
- Amy Caron (Dodge-Steele)
- Kelly Chandler (Aitkin-Itasca-Koochiching)
- Tammy Fiedler (Wabasha)
- Renee Frauendienst (Stearns)
- Richard Scott (Carver)
- Carlos Guereca (Centro Tyrone Guzman)
- Laura Roberts (American Indian Cancer Foundation)
- Amy Kenzie (Health Promotion & Chronic Disease, MDH)
- Ann Kinney (Center for Health Statistics, MDH)
- Becky Sechrist (Center for Public Health Practice, MDH)
- Chelsie Huntley (Center for Public Health Practice)
- Michelle Gin (Environmental Health, MDH)
- Jacki Trelawny (Family Tree Clinic)
- Jackie Dionne (MDH Director of American Indian Health)
- Ken Bence (Minnesota Public Health Association)
- Mark Campbell (YWCA Minneapolis)
- Mohamed Hassan (Center for Health Equity, MDH)
- Isaac Triebold (IDEPC)
- Cassandra Stepan (OSHII)
- Sandra Hanson (Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response, MDH)

MDH Conference Staff

- Liz Arita (Center for Public Health Practice)
- Becky Buhler (Center for Public Health Practice)

Nominating and Awards Workgroup

Charge

Approved on June 29, 2018.

- Review the awards process and recommend modifications to the Executive Committee to fulfill the intent of the awards
- Solicit for nominations and select awardees for the community health awards and certificates of recognition for presentation at the annual Community Health Conference
- Prepare a ballot for the election of the SCHSAC Chair-Elect in December

2018 Summary of Activities

The Nominating and Awards Workgroup met via conference call in August to review the nominating process and to select the recipients for the 2018 Community Health Service Awards. The following individuals and group received a 2018 Community Health Award during the Community Health Conference on October 11 at Cragun's Conference Center, Brainerd, Minnesota.

- **Award for Outstanding Dedication to Local Public Health:** Rose Jost, Richfield Advisory Board of Health
- **Commissioner's Award for Distinguished Service in Community Health Services:** Sandy Tubbs, Administrator, Horizon Public Health
- **Jack Korlath Partnership Award:** Terry Ristinen, Epidemiologist, MDH
- **Jim Parker Leadership Award:** Daniel Huff, Director of Environmental Health, City of Minneapolis
- **Lou Fuller Award for Distinguished Service in Eliminating Health Disparities:** Dr. Jokho Farah, Director of Quality and Population Health, People's Center Clinics and Services
- **Certificates of Recognition:** Meeker-McLeod-Sibley Healthy Communities Leadership Team; Metro area environmental health partners for Super Bowl food defense and food safety operation; and Minneapolis Health Department and youth tobacco prevention community partners

In addition to the Community Health Service Awards, the Nominating and Awards Workgroup prepared a slate of nominees and supervised the election of the new SCHSAC Chair-Elect during the December 2018 SCHSAC meeting.

2018 Workgroup Members

* Elected Official

- Bonnie Brueshoff, Chair, (Dakota)
- Renee Frauendienst (Stearns)
- Helene Kahlstorf (North Country)
- Larry Kittelson * (Horizon)
- Amy Caron (Dodge-Steele)
- Sara Chute (Center for Health Equity)

MDH Workgroup Staff

Becky Buhler (Center for Public Health Practice)

Appendix A: 2018 SCHSAC Members by Region

Membership as of December 2018

Northeast Region

- Beth Olson * (Carlton-Cook-Lake-St. Louis)
- Lester Kachinske (Aitkin-Itasca-Koochiching)

Central Region

- Christine Husom * (Wright)
- Susan Morris * (Isanti)
- Steve Notch * (Stearns)
- Paul Thiede * (Crow Wing)
- Warren Peschl * (Benton)
- Genny Reynolds * (Mille Lacs)
- Barbara Burandt * (Sherburne)
- Courtney Wehrenberg (Chisago)
- Barb Becker * (Morrison-Todd-Wadena)
- Kathi Ellis (Kanabec)
- Stephen Hallan * (Pine)
- Michelle Piprude (Cass)

South Central Region

- Anton Berg * (Brown-Nicollet)
- Bobbie Harder * (Meeker-McLeod-Sibley)
- William Groskreutz * (Faribault-Martin)
- Drew Campbell * (Blue Earth)
- Sarah Berry (Le Sueur-Waseca)
- Kathleen Svalland * (Watonwan)

Southwest Region

- Jim Salfer * (SWHHS)
- Dave Lieser * (Countryside)
- Harlan Madsen * (Kandiyohi-Renville)
- Kevin Stevens * (Des Moines Valley)
- Matthew Widboom * (Nobles)

Northwest Region

- Richard Anderson * (Beltrami)
- Joan Lee * (Polk-Norman-Mahnomen)
- Helene Kahlstorf (North Country)
- Betty Younggren * (Quin County)

West Central Region

- Larry Kittelson * (Horizon) (9/18)
- Sandy Tubbs (Horizon)
- Douglas Huebsch * (Partnership4Health)

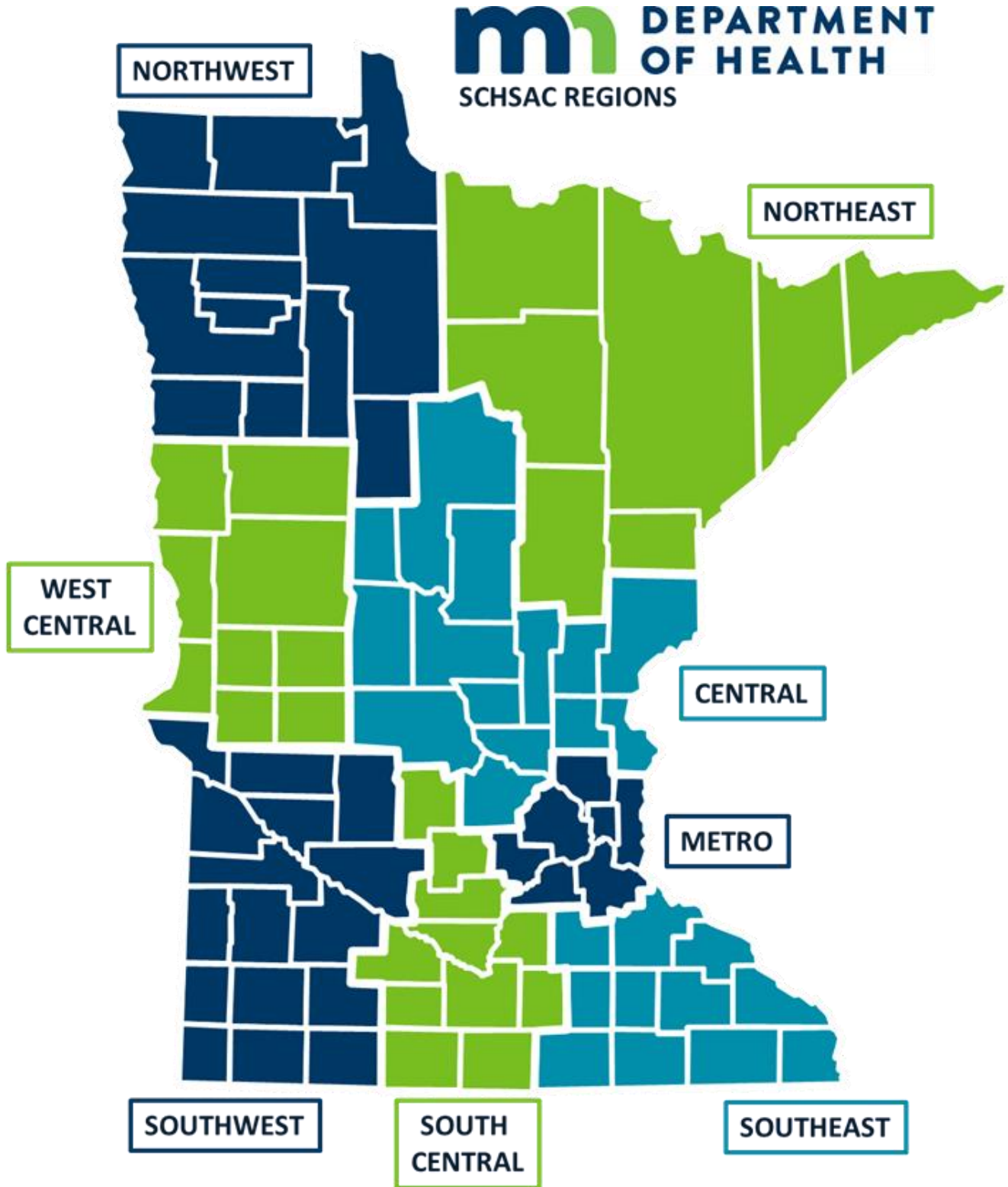
Southeast Region

- Tammy Fiedler (Wabasha)
- Amy Caron (Dodge-Steele)
- Sheila Kiscaden * (Olmsted)
- Lisa Kocer (Mower)
- Glen Mathiason * (Freeborn)
- Debra Purfeerst (Rice)
- Paul Drotos * (Goodhue)
- Marcia Ward * (Winona)
- Jack Miller * (Fillmore-Houston)

Metro Region

- Patrick Martin * (Bloomington)
- Alison Pence (Edina)
- Phillipe Cunningham * (Minneapolis)
- Marion Greene * (Hennepin)
- Lowell Johnson (Washington)
- Rose Jost (Richfield)
- Mike Gamache * (Anoka)
- Lisa Brodsky (Scott)
- Janice Rettman * (St. Paul-Ramsey)
- Joe Atkins * (Dakota)
- Richard Scott (Carver)

Appendix B: Minnesota Counties and SCHSAC Regions



Appendix C: 2018 SCHSAC Work Plan at a Glance

The 2018 SCHSAC work plan is summarized on the following pages.

Issues of Interest

SCHSAC will explore emerging and statewide public health issues through presentations, small group discussions, videoconferences, and other means. Issues of interest identified by the SCHSAC Executive Committee include mental health, healthy aging, vulnerable adults, human trafficking, the opioid epidemic, fetal alcohol syndrome, and “diseases of despair,” immunizations, infectious diseases, and health in all policies, including health and justice.

New Work

Incarceration, Health and Families Workgroup

Incarceration affects families and whole communities and has a direct impact on health equity. Having an incarcerated parent is an adverse childhood experience for many Minnesota children. This workgroup will build on the efforts of others across the state including the Association of Minnesota Counties and the Strengthening Families coalition staffed by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety. The SCHSAC workgroup will focus on the role of local governments including local jails and local public health. The MDH Division of Community and Family Health will staff the workgroup. A charge will be brought to the SCHSAC Executive Committee in early 2018.

Ongoing Work

Strengthening Public Health in Minnesota Workgroup

This workgroup was initiated in 2017 and held its final meeting on January 5, 2018. SCHSAC and the Health Commissioner convened a group of local government officials and other key stakeholders to bring another perspective in addressing concerns about Minnesota’s local public health infrastructure. The workgroup will present its recommendations to SCHSAC in February 2018. Once the recommendations are received, the SCHSAC Executive Committee will provide leadership and ensure future efforts to strengthen public health in Minnesota is consistent with the direction set by the workgroup.

Continuous Improvement Work

These ongoing workgroups focused on improvement and partnership. They are spaces where MDH, local public health, and local elected officials can tackle difficult policy and practice issues together.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness Oversight Group

This SCHSAC workgroup will continue its work in 2018. Activities include advising on Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) grant duties for local public health, developing capacity assessment and related measurement outcomes; and strategic planning for public health emergency preparedness.

Environmental Health Continuous Improvement Board

This workgroup will develop an Environmental Public Health Framework for Minnesota; develop and monitor statewide annual performance measures for the environmental health area of public health responsibility; and oversee the development and implementation of the new Food, Pools, and Lodging Services program evaluation process.

Infectious Disease Continuous Improvement Board

This new workgroup, charged by SCHSAC in 2017, held its first meeting in January 2018. The IDCIB will work to ensure an effective and efficient state-local partnership in the infectious disease area of public health responsibility. The group will serve as a forum for regular communication, identification of issues, and joint problem solving. The group will also ensure the DP&C Common Activities Framework remains a relevant, useful document.

Performance Improvement Steering Committee

This committee will continue to monitor performance of the local public health system and identify opportunities for system-wide improvement.

Standing Committees

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee will conduct any interim business of SCHSAC, develop recommendations for decisions by SCHSAC, and work on activities to strengthen the state-local partnership.

Annual Community Health Conference Planning Workgroup

The workgroup is responsible for selecting a theme, topic, format, general session speakers, and concurrent session presenters for the 2018 Community Health Conference, and will assist MDH staff in hosting the conference.

Nominating and Awards Workgroup

The workgroup will supervise the nomination and election process for SCHSAC chair-elect; and will solicit and select candidates for the annual Community Health Awards.

SCHSAC Representation

SCHSAC is represented on a number of important public health advisory committees.

Healthy Minnesota Partnership

The Healthy Minnesota Partnership brings community partners and the Minnesota Department of Health together to improve the health and quality of life for individuals, families, and communities in Minnesota. SCHSAC representative: Barbara Burandt, Sherburne CHB.

State Preventive Health Advisory Committee

The State Preventive Health Advisory Committee is a federally mandated committee associated with the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant, chaired by the commissioner of health. SCHSAC representative: Marcia Ward, Winona County Commissioner.

Maternal and Child Health Advisory Task Force

The Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Advisory Task Force was created by the Minnesota Legislature in 1982. The task force advises the commissioner of health on the health care services/needs of maternal and child health populations in Minnesota, on the use of funds for maternal and child health and children with special health needs administered through MDH, and the priorities and goals for maternal and child health activities. SCHSAC representative: Susan Morris, Isanti County Commissioner.