



## OHIO INJURY PREVENTION PARTNERSHIP

*Injury Prevention Policy and Advocacy Action Group*

### **Meeting Minutes**

**April 21, 2011**

**10 AM – 11 AM**

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#### ***Introductions and Review Agenda:***

The following participants were on the call: Lisa Pardi (co-chair), Jessica Saunders (co-chair), Cameron McNamee, Sara Morman, Jolene Defiore-Hyrmer, Cindy Penn, Judy Moseley, Lois Hall, Vince Caraffi, Melissa Courts, Traci Mason, Judith Hirschfeld and Denise Franer.

#### ***Overview of CDC Guidance, Mission Statement and Goals***

Lisa Pardi provided an overview of the group's mission and goals and asked participants if they had any suggested changes.

The following additions were suggested:

- Emphasize the use of data driven goals/objectives and identifying disparities
- Inclusion of the word advocate in Goal 1, point two: *"Assess current public policy priorities of Ohio Injury Prevention Partnership membership"*
- Reviewing policies and best practices from other states
- Including evaluation under Goal 1, point four: *"Research, identify, promote and/or develop model injury prevention policies for organizations (e.g., schools, work places), local communities (ordinances) and state laws"*

It was also noted that the group should consider the importance of phrasing as it pertains to injury prevention (i.e. moving away from terminology such as bullet points).

The group discussed the differences between advocacy and lobbying for policy changes. Cameron McNamee agreed to put together a document outlining the differences but noted that advocacy has a focus on educating policy makers utilizing existing data and promoting evidenced based interventions without making a specific comment on a piece of legislation.

It was suggested that any materials that the group puts together should make the distinction between advocacy and lobbying clear.

It was stated that the CDC guidance document does set forth what is expected in terms of policy changes and that the language in the guidance document could be utilized to further clarify the goals of the group.

### ***Identify Policy Priorities***

A question was posed on the use of data in determining the OIPP's priority issues. Sara Morman responded that the action groups (CIAG, PDAAG and Older Adults Falls Coalition) had already examined the data and have either developed or are developing policy priorities.

Lisa Pardi reviewed a current Ohio Safe Kids and Safe Kids USA initiative to prevent children from being left alone in cars. She noted that it has a statewide law change component.

Sara Morman reviewed the policies identified by the CIAG (Child Injury Action Group):

- Teen driving
- Bicycle and wheeled sports helmets
- Infant sleep related suffocation
- Sports related traumatic brain injuries
- Booster seat law review and revision

Judi Moseley reviewed the priorities of the PDAGG (Prescription Drug Abuse Action Group):

- Enact 9-1-1 Good Samaritan laws for suspected drug overdose.
- Immunity law for the use of Naloxone by lay savers.
- Adopt a Screening Brief Intervention and Referral for Treatment (SBIRT) protocol within health care (hospital, clinics, physician's offices, etc.) and workplace
- Enact rules changes at the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) that would allow for reimbursement of SBIRT interventions from Medicaid
- Mandatory continuing education courses in pain management and substance abuse for health care professionals.

Lois Hall, the Older Adults Falls Prevention Coalition co-chair, noted that fall prevention policies are primarily based at the organizational and local levels. She indicated that the group would produce a set of policy priorities at their April 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Group members agreed that the policy priorities identified by the group should be put forth as a comprehensive injury prevention agenda.

### ***Next Steps/Next Meeting***

Jessica Saunders will send out a survey monkey with the policy priorities mentioned on the call as well as the forthcoming suggestions by the Falls Groups. The purpose of the survey is to identify those priorities that are feasible and achievable by the group given the current policy landscape and availability of resources. The IPPAAG chairs will present the results of this survey to the OIPP leadership and the group as a whole for further discussion.

The next meeting of the IPPAAG will be held on May 19<sup>th</sup> during the meeting of the OIPP (11:55 AM-12:45 PM).

At the next meeting, the group will discuss the remaining agenda items that were not discussed on the call, including:

- Identify advocates/recognition efforts
- Identify communication strategies – including further discussion of an injury prevention advocacy day at the statehouse.