NOMHE Advisory Board Meeting – 11/17/20

*Health in All Policies Update, Baldo Bobadilla & Tamara Telles*

**Staffing Transition**

Sara Hanafi recently moved to another project following the launch of the HiAP Asynchronous Training. Tamara Telles has joined the project to support with the evaluation.

**Online Asynchronous Training**

The Nevada Public Health Training Center (NVPHTC) developed and launched the online asynchronous course to continue Health in All Policies (HiAP) promotion *Health in All Policies 101: Health Happens Here!* Since the end of August, a total of 32 people enrolled in the training. A total of 6 have fully completed the six interactive module courses, including all interns from the HiAP projects. Other participants range from 15% to 55% completion rate at this time with several participants newly enrolled.

**HiAP Presentation – NPHA Conference**

Baldo Bobadilla and Sara Hanafi presented on the Health in All Policies project at the Nevada Public Health Association Conference in September. An overview of Health in All Policies and how collaborative, intersectoral decision-making can influence and improve health inequities was shared. The newly-developed asynchronous training and pilot projects with an emphasis on potential policy development were highlighted during the presentation. A total of 26 were in attendance.

**HiAP Pilot Project Updates**

Seven pilot project sites have been confirmed, below is a short description of each pilot project and updates as of 11/5/2020.

1. **LatinX Health Action Network:** This project is a collaboration between the Community Health Association, the Latino Research Center, and City of Reno to determine, evaluate and make recommendations on existing communications strategies for the Latino Community in Northern Nevada during public health emergencies such as the Covid-19 outbreak. **Update:** Initial report is drafted and being reviewed.

2. **Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful:** This project entails compiling information on the number of multifamily units in Washoe County versus single-family residential units to demonstrate the scope of recycling access disparity between those with access to single-stream recycling and those without. **Update:** Survey closed, more than 200 residential, 30+ businesses responded. Results are being analyzed; survey results presented to KTMB. *Lack of access is the main factor for not recycling.* In addition, KTMB would like to continue working with the NVPHTC on additional HiAP projects.
3. **Rural Nevada Public Health Infrastructure**: This project is a collaboration between Elko, White Pine and Lander County, and the UNR School of Medicine-Office of Statewide Initiatives Programs to assess current health infrastructure and propose the formation of a rural health districts among these counties. 
**Update**: Intern to present findings at the Nevada Rural Health Day on November 19th, report is being drafted.

4. **Regional Transportation Commission Pedestrian Experience Index (PEI)**: The project entails the collection PEI attributes in downtown Reno’s business district, Midtown and UNR areas. This valuable data will assist the RTC in prioritizing pedestrian infrastructure investment at locations where it is needed most.
**Update**: All data has been collected and submitted to RTC, final report being drafted.

5. **Construction Safety, Infectious Disease Prevention**: This project is a collaboration between Green Advantage, and the Nevada Office of Minority Health and Equity to evaluate the effectiveness of the Pre-Construction Risk Assessment / Infection Control Risk Assessment (PCRA/ICRA) certification program.
**Update**: Project has been extended to February to get more participants.

6. **Nevada Housing Division Affordable Housing Unit Preservation Classification**: This project entails the development of indicators and a ranking system to determine the properties that are at risk of being lost to private development and should be considered/prioritized for preservation as affordable housing units.
**Update**: List of indicators are being finalized, database development will follow.

7. **Regional Transportation Commission of S. NV**: The purpose of this project is to understand and illustrate the implications of factors that may make a person more susceptible to heat-related health outcomes during extreme heat events in Clark County. The specific topic area identified was accessibility to air conditioning, specifically related to tenant-landlord law, affordability of air conditioning use, and comparison of socioeconomic demographics in identified low-use areas.
**Update**: First draft of final report submitted to RTC, initial finding highlights high unemployment rates, lower SES in neighborhoods with lower electricity usage, and the need for more data collection.

**HiAP Pilot Project Evaluation Progress**

A Health in All Policies Pilot Project evaluation survey was developed for all individuals from participating agencies and interns to complete. The focus of the evaluation is to collect data on the general consensus regarding comprehension of Health in All Policies, how intersectoral collaboration can improve public health, importance of projects, project results having potential for change/policy, quality of work, partnership, project development experience, outcomes and overall satisfaction. We received a 50% response rate and are reviewing the results currently. And additional evaluation will be sent out to our remaining partners who are currently in the middle of their projects.