Summary of March 31, 2015

In attendance: Genesis Bayuelo (Fidelis Care NY); Rodolfo Cano (Fidelis Care); Judith Clarke (HRH Care); Nancy Copperman (NS/LIJ); Carol Ann Foley (St. Joseph Hospital); Juliet Frodella (ELIH); Gina Kearney (South Nassau Communities Hospital); Joe Lanzetta (Mercy Medical Center); Theresa Marandino (NUMC); Carlos Ortiz (HRH Care); Sue Palo (St. Francis Hospital); Gabrielle Pareja (South Nassau Communities Hospital); Yvonne Spreckels (Stony Brook Univ Hospital); Karen Tripmacher (Winthrop University Hospital); Ann Fangman (Sustainable Long Island); Chris Hendriks (CHSLI); Lisa Lasner (St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center); Marilyn Fabbricante (St. Charles Hospital); Georgette Beal (United Way); Trevor Cross (HRH Care); Vincent Strynkowski (Society St. Vincent de Paul); Zach Baum (Legislator Kara Hahn’s Office); Grace McGovern (SC DOH); Dr. James Tomarken (SC DOH); Dr. Lawrence Eisenstein (NC DOH); Kali Chan (Adelphi University); Colleen Valdini (Good Samaritan Hospital); Karyn Kirschbaum (WS BOCES); Luis Ortiz (HRH Care); Maria Mezzatesta (HRH Care); Harriet Gourdine-Adams (LIAAC); Luis Valenzuela (1199/SEIU Health Education Project); Janine Logan (NSHC). Tavora Buchman/Celina Cabello (NC DOH) via phone.

Meeting opened with introductions around the room.

Data Project Update

Janine Logan reported on behalf of Lisa Benz Scott and Bill Redman from Stony Brook University. Gender classification change was added to the Wellness Survey. Survey is ready for use. LIHC members were previously assigned identifiers by Stony Brook.

Grants Update

Contract signed by NSHC last week. Contract now needs to go through several stages at DOH before finally signed and executed. Process could take 6 to 8 weeks. Janine Logan reiterated the purpose of the PHIP - PHIPS are regional resources to assist PPSs, DSRIP and SHIP processes/initiatives and all institutions involved with those initiatives. LI PHIP will gather data and issue reports; assess workforce needs and issue recommendations/reports; provide strategic plan for the region’s healthcare needs. It will also offer technical assistance to LIHC members in areas of chronic disease management/prevention programming. Assist them with obtaining the training. LI PHIP will also assist the collaborative with its Complete Streets project and Recommendation for Walking program. PHIP will also design and build a comprehensive website that builds on current LIHC site. Need interactive capability and data gathering capability. One of first grant functions will be engagement of leadership training consultant to
help LI PHIP establish governance, bylaws, and additional subgroups. Today’s meeting constitutes the first official meeting of the LI PHIP as the management entity of the LIHC.

Subgroup Reports and Discussion

Education/Public Outreach – chaired by Christine Hendriks. Group met February 27, 2015 to further refine materials for the Recommendation for Walking program. Copy is now good to go for the recommendation pads and introductory letter. Group will flesh out a more defined plan to roll out the program. Getting physician buy-in will be key. County health departments can get special provider database from the state. The local medical societies are the number one way to get the message out. Suffolk County medical society on board with program. Suffolk County DOH has email list of about 10,000, but list not routinely updated. Nassau County medical society has not responded to inquiries nor appointed a rep to LIHC. Dr. Eisentstein will touch base with that group’s executive director.

Message inherent in Recommendation for Walking Program is that any walking is better than no walking. We are noting CDC recommended guidelines as a goal to strive for.

The region’s two PPSs also have providers engaged in primary care medical homes and care management. This is interface for PHIP.

Group to meet after full LIHC meeting concludes today.

Complete Streets – chaired by Nancy Copperman. Group held a meeting prior to this full LIHC meeting. Nancy Copperman and Ann Fangman (Sustainable LI) provided report to full LIHC regarding complete streets activity in Suffolk County. Focus on Wyandanch Rising continues. This re-development project is in place. Idea is to hone in on health and wellness component of upgrades/changes made in the community via complete streets. Town of Babylon (Wyandanch in this township) passed a complete streets policy in 2010. Sustainable LI, on behalf of collaborative, will work with Wyandanch leadership committee that is in place. Also want to reach out to faith-based leaders in the community. Build onto Wyandanch’s huge downtown revitalization that is taking place. One idea is to install an interactive path that would tie into health messages. Have QR codes on signs that people access via their smart phone to connect to the LIHC and a variety of health-minded websites and resources. Members with any ties to Wyandanch community leaders asked to connect with Nancy Copperman. Identified at meeting: United Way, HRH Care, Fidelis, WS Boces. Group’s goal is what is the wellness amenity for the community? How do we get people to use what has already been built? There is a divide between the community and the schools in Wyandanch. Sustainable LI report distributed (and attached). Dr. Tavora Buchman from Nassau County presented update (via phone) on that county’s Complete Streets work. Unprecedented amount of snow in region put lots of projects on backlog. Tavora still trying to secure meeting with Commissioner of Dept of Public Works. Nassau CS project concerns Eisenhower Park and certain access points and roads in the area.
Overall objective of LIHC’s involvement in complete streets is to help community see that improvements or planned improvements provide safe places where residents can exercise and get well.

**Academic Partners** – chaired by Laurel Breen from St. Joseph’s College. Group held meeting prior to today’s full LIHC meeting. Kali Chan (in absence of Laurel Breen) provided report. Working on an inventory of what is available to students – what projects there are among LIHC members for public health students. PHIP grant could provide assistance with designing and sending survey to determine what schools have available and what type of intern/student is needed. The counties are just getting resumes now from students inquiring about summer internships. Most students have no specific interest area. Just want experience of some sort. LIHC, as the LI PHIP, could serve as a central clearinghouse for both prospective students and schools/CBOs/counties that offer internships.

**LIHC/PHIP Alignment with State Health Reform Initiatives**

Janine Logan offered Power Point presentation. Reflected on how variety of state reforms came to be, timeline of major events and legislation, and how it all ties together at this juncture in LIHC and PHIP’s existence. Serves as re-set for collaborative members, especially as the LI PHIP is now formally recognized. (Presentation attached)

Planning is all done for the NYSDOH walk event set for April 9 at Belmont Lake State Park to commemorate Public Health Week – April 6th – 12th. Acting State Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker, State Parks Commissioner Rose Harvey and two local county health commissioners will lead the walk. Highlight of the event will be the official launch of the LIHC’s Recommendation for Walking program. Health Commissioner and local health commissioners will ceremonially sign a blown up copy of a recommendation slip. This is a public event and as many walkers as possible are needed. Event to begin at 10 a.m. LIHC members and their constituents are encouraged to attend and/or promote the walk.

**Other Notices/Business**

Excellent video about obesity from PublicHealth.org was shown and viewed. Here is the link: [http://www.publichealth.org/public-awareness/obesity/](http://www.publichealth.org/public-awareness/obesity/)

CDC has interactive web application that offers a health profile of all counties in the U.S. Each profile includes key indicators of health outcomes, which describe the population health status of a county and factors that have the potential to influence health outcomes, such as health care access and quality, health behaviors, social factors and the physical environment. Members encouraged to check it out on CDC website. Here is the link: [http://wwwn.cdc.gov/CommunityHealth/home](http://wwwn.cdc.gov/CommunityHealth/home)
Upcoming Meeting Dates (all meetings at the NSHC offices in Hauppauge, unless noted otherwise)

Tuesday, May 12, 2015   10 – 11:30 a.m. (NOTE THIS IS A CHANGE IN DATE)
Tuesday, June 16, 2015   10 – 11:30 a.m.

Subgroups also meeting those days are:

Education/Public Outreach Subgroup at 11:30 p.m.
Complete Streets Subgroup at 9:30 a.m.
Academic Partners Subgroup at 9:15 a.m.

PLEASE REMEMBER:

Facebook page and Twitter accounts for the Long Island Health Collaborative:

Twitter: @ligethehealthy   https://twitter.com

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Long-Island-Health-Collaborative/1451139511781173

Please friend and follow. Tweet any news related to obesity reduction/programs; healthy lifestyle, walking, and walkability projects in local communities. As a reminder subgroup chairs are as follows:

Pat Kiernan and Nancy Copperman (Co Chairs) – Grants
Chris Hendriks – Education/Public Outreach
Yvonne Spreckels and Karyn Kirschbaum (Co Chairs) – Walking Initiative
Janine Logan – Industry Partners
Nancy Copperman – Complete Streets
Laurel Breen – Academic Partners