

3/8/2022 Injury & Violence Subcommittee

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

1:00 PM

Attendees: Tracy Nerney, Laura Cerutti, Kate O'Connor, Anita Van Wingerden, Frank Neary, Dawn Doherty, John Nardi, Heather Taylor, Dennis McGowan, Bretta Jacquemin, Stephanie Bonne

General:

- Approval of minutes from Meeting 1 (2/18/2022)
- New members joined group and provided introductions
 - John Nardi - NJ Department of Children and Families Division on Women and coordinator of NJ Domestic Violence Fatality and Near Fatality Review Board
 - Stephanie Bonne, MD - Surgery and Trauma, Newark University Hospital, Head of Trauma Council
 - Dennis McGowan - NJ Division of Aging Services, Manager at Office of Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) Administration, Fall Review Board Committee, New Jersey Interagency Council on Osteoporosis
 - Heather Taylor - NJ Division of Aging Services, Administrative Analyst, Office of Community Resources, Education and Wellness
 - Anita Van Wingerden - New Jersey Interagency Council on Osteoporosis (ICO), School of Health Professions at Rutgers
 - Frank Neary - New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety
- Tracy informed the group that the subcommittee's name is now "Injury and Violence" and no longer "Unintentional Injury and Violence"

Discussion of Data

- Overall focus of conversation related to data, including data needs, sources, utilization, limitations, and opportunities for connecting resources across disciplines
- Group discussed if data alone is sufficient in understanding issues related to injury and violence
- Group agreed that there is a need to improve tracking of an individual's experience and interaction with various systems as a result of injury and violence
- Group discussed sources of data specific to each member's area of expertise
- Sources mentioned by group members include motor vehicle crash data (NJDHTS Numerics system, EMS run data (Advanced Life Support & Basic Life Support), Trauma registry, Emergency Department Data

Topic Areas:

- Group discussed how to prioritize the various issues related to injury and violence prevention and the many factors that attribute to each issue. Group considered starting with topics that are most achievable
- Group discussed how to incorporate emerging issues related to injury and violence that may arise over 10 year period of HNJ2030 plan development
- Tracy recommended group members present "Quick Fix" solutions related to each member's area of expertise during group meetings
 - Example: Older adults experience falls going out to get their mail in icy conditions. Recommended that older adults utilize postal service's informed delivery service

- Group began to discuss need to identify short term and long term goals topic areas as well as barriers and disparities
- Revisited discussion related to this subcommittee addressing overdose and suicide and potential overlap with the Behavioral Health HNJ2030 subcommittee
 - Suicide is considered self-inflicted violence
 - Acute episodes of overdose and response and treatment can be addressed by this subcommittee
- Group discussed COVID-19's impact on increases in injury and violence

Next Steps:

- Tracy requested that each group member develop a list of data sources used based on areas of expertise, include short description, and links to sources to be shared with the group
- Group members should consider any "Quick Fix" ideas related to their topic areas to present at future meetings
- Group discussed need for a representative from EMS to join subcommittee. Bretta and Tracy have a potential EMS contact