DE Food Research Network Meeting Notes

12-16-20

1. Attendees
	1. Kate Dupont Philips
	2. Alicia Salvatore
	3. Nikko Brady
	4. Tara Tracy
	5. Allison Karpyn
	6. Katie Fitzpatrick
	7. Jonathan Kirch
	8. Lindsay Lancaster
	9. Jeff Headley
	10. Gina Crist
	11. Shebra Hall
2. Jeff Headley
	1. CompressRed (CR) – Predictive Science, Data Analytics
	2. Started on state issues re: Gun violence in Allegheny County which DE wanted to mimic
	3. Stalled when state agencies needed to start sharing data
	4. For Family Services Cabinet Council (FSSC): Built dashboard prototype based on State Police data sources
		1. Ed – Health – Housing – Economy – Safety by Zip code
		2. Added population by each Zip code, impt from a program delivery perspective
		3. Based on ACS (yearly data estimates)
		4. Can examine factors w/in each of Ed-Health – Housing – Economy
			1. User can ID key metrics that they’d like to use
	5. Example of Education (3rd grade reading score impt for Governor)
		1. Includes Risky Behavior scores
	6. Allows nuanced Qs to show locations are where folks that experience metrics of interest
	7. Factor analysis shows correlation
		1. It’s NOT causation
	8. Now working w/ Council members to ID each agency’s metrics for priorities
		1. Real use example in DDA/AK suggestion
	9. Discussion
		1. Are scores weighted?
			1. Yes – although they’re only weighted on population w/in the zip code
		2. When will dashboard be publicly avail?
			1. JH – still working through council/gov process so it isn’t public, but all discussion is how will dashboard work as a public facing effort
			2. Reiterates that request to DTI via DIDS is a great example of multiple agencies working together, hope that once FSSC sees this that they’ll be more action
		3. Request for sharing of metrics, which can be shared – Tabatha from DHSS ID’ed 8 very clear ones
			1. JH notes that it’s hard to get some agencies to step back & consider data needs while they’re so focused on operations during COVID
		4. Jon Kirsch – do Qs reveal what they’re interested in? EG, to prove something they’ve already done, or to support plans for future & impacts thereof?
			1. JH notes that FSSC members think mainly about their own agency, hard to get them to think cross-agency. Also hard for some agencies to think diff abt what they measure since some measure what they’ve always measured
		5. AK notes this initiative dates back to CDC report re: violence in Wilmington combined w/ Penn training that DE participated in under Kara Odom Walker. Now wondering what Qs should be asked? What’s best use of data?
			1. Dean Henry – integrating state data sets is career (TX, GA, Vanderbilt, UNC). UniDel proposal now funded – will do more of this work on UD end re: analytics/asking Q side in support of/coordination w/ FSSC effort. Partnership hasn’t been born yet – hopefully in the new year. Also, needs for advisory council to (1) help w/ these Qs, (2) help w/ data analytics problem solving (driver’s license data example in GA), and (3) advise FSSC.
			2. Jon notes that change in state legislature could help
			3. Nikko notes that DDA routinely develops ag-related docs for new legislators & others, the dashboard will be helpful in this way as will be the advisory group.
	10. JH:
		1. COVID ID’ed gaps in data collection
		2. “DIDS” could use more funding, maybe a priority for legislators
		3. CR working on a lot of adjacent efforts w/ CARES funding (SDH, Wilm Alliance, Value Institute, eg) – could be really impt/useful to get FSSC effort moving forward. Kate Dupont Phillips – now is time to bring groups together, perhaps on Advisory Council. AK notes she will intro Kate to Dean Henry
	11. Alicia – notes that have developed large SDH data base, and will coord w/ Mia who’s on one of the groups that Jeff mentions, so it’s impt to leverage this data
		1. How can a health system manage this data? Nemours is also thinking about this. Work/time saver, allows for resulting advocacy for policy change more quickly.
	12. Disc of importance of these types of coordination/communication
	13. AK notes that DIDS request is the “pressure point” – will see how that pans out
	14. JH notes that a lot of assets are already in place – e.g., where are nursing homes (COVID start)? Vaccine distribution needs?
3. Updates
	1. Jon Kirch – News Journal article re: “Better DE” effort by Kenney Family, addresses FI, dietary quality, etc. Are any DEFRN members aware or been contacted by media?
		1. AK: article re: PAC that would oppose a soda tax. DE has ebbed & flowed re: interest in soda tax, Philly example, “tax free DE”
			1. If folks drink less soda, regardless of mechanism, less soda will be sold. Cigarette example. Also relationship to COVID and its impact on diabetics.
	2. Next meeting
		1. Late Jan/early Feb
		2. Topics:
			1. COVID work, who would point person be?
			2. CARES act funded projects: Alicia points
				1. Food Farmacy intervention – Alicia notes not necessarily COVID related
				2. Sheraton homeless shelter
				3. Dorothy Dillard, etal : large grant rec’d to focus on COVID vaccines in 5 high-need zip codes
				4. Alicia – can share COVID survey data for health care workers, as well as similar data for Spanish speakers
			3. Kate Dupont Philips, Healthy Communities DE – helped DHSS facilitate distribute of $3M CARES funds for low income/African American community. Can share infographic re: this process. Lisa Henry Community Health Dir at DE DPH is good resource.