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**Staff Update, October 2015**

**Accreditation Support & Technical Assistance Updates**

***Accreditation Work Group***

Monthly meetings are taking place on the third Thursday of each month from 230-330pm. Due to staffing changes at the PHD I am now facilitate this meeting on my own. When the PHD hires a new Performance/Accreditation Specialist this will return to being a jointly facilitated meeting.

***Accreditation Technical Assistance***

A small handful of LHDs have new VISTAs that will be working on Accreditation I have spent sometime orienting a couple of them to Accreditation resources and connecting them with several Accreditation Coordinators.

**Legislative/Policy Work**

***Public Health Modernization***

I worked with our PHD partners and facilitator to prep and plan for the Oct. 1st JLT planning session for modernization, and the subsequent follow-up work that is currently being used for the small groups working on the capabilities and programs.

***OLCC Recreational Marijuana Draft Rules***

I provided public comment on behalf of CLHO at the public hearing at OLCC on October 9th.

**Other Work**

***Directive Grant***

I continue to attend our monthly Directive Team meetings. We discuss research design preliminary results and do data collection check-ins. I am in the process of compiling the collected CD outcome data to send to the research team— this process has been a bit delayed primarily due to staffing changes at the PHD and at this point I have received all the data needed. The CJS survey data is currently being analyzed by the UW research team and we were given preliminary results at our last check-in meeting and will be provided with more next month.

I have also been working with Sharee Squires to help her develop a presentation on PBRN work and the DIRECTIVE Research for OPHA.

***County Health Rankings***

I am working with Steve White at OPHI again this year on the CHR grant application. We plan to implement the same model we did as last year and hope that again we will receive two grants to be able to fund more counties to work with community partners on the CHRs. The CHR team has extended the timeline for this funding cycle so state teams have a longer time to complete the work than they have in years past.

***Health Kids Learn Better***

The HKLB Coalition has resumed meeting after our summer hiatus and I continue to attend these meetings. This coalition brings together public health, advocacy organization, SBHC, educational partners together to discuss work happening around the state to ensure that our K-12+ populations are learning and playing in healthy environments.