
National Conversation on Public Health and Chemical Exposures
LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Teleconference
January 29, 2010
1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Eastern

PROPOSED AGENDA

Meeting Objectives/Desired Outcomes:

- **Discuss revised milestones of the National Conversation and how elements of the process integrate with one another;**
- **Discuss and approve revised operating procedures for the National Conversation;**
- **Discuss charge for the Policies and Practices work group; and**
- **Plan next steps.**

12:45-1:00 Call lines open; members are requested to dial in by 12:55

1:00-1:10 Welcome, Roll Call, Meeting Objectives and Agenda

Nsedu Obot Witherspoon, Executive Director, Children's
Environmental Health Network, *co-chair, Leadership Council on
Public Health and Chemical Exposures*
Gail Bingham, President Emeritus, RESOLVE, *independent facilitator*

1:10-1:30 National Conversation Updates

*Objective: Provide an opportunity to discuss leadership transition at
NCEH/ATSDR and implications for National Conversation.*

Henry Falk, Director (Acting), NCEH/ATSDR, Nse Witherspoon and
Gail Bingham

Questions and Discussion

1:30-2:00

National Conversation Milestones and Integration of Process Elements

Objective: Review comments from last Leadership Council meeting and discuss proposed adjustments to the milestones. Learn about recent progress on collaborative work space, planning for web dialogues, and APHA, ASTHO and NACCHO activities.

Overview Presentation

Benjamin Gerhardstein, *Public Health Analyst*, NCEH/ATSDR

Questions and Discussion

- Does the combination of extending the work group timetables and having the Leadership Council also consider input from the community conversations, partner and other sector meetings, and web-based dialogues provide clearer integration of elements of the National Conversation?
 - Are the adjusted milestones for draft and final work group reports and LC products responsive to the Leadership Council's recommendations that there be more time for community conversations and that the LC review the results?)
 - (Time permitting) What questions do LC members have about the collaborative work space? Other elements of the process?
- ACTION: Informal advice.

2:00-2:25

National Conversation Procedures

Objective: Discuss proposed revisions to the operating procedures based on discussion at the December meeting (see meeting summary).

Overview Presentation

Gail Bingham, RESOLVE

Questions and Discussion

- Do the proposed changes reflect the discussion in December?
 - What other comments, if any, do members have?
- ACTION: Approve proposed protocols, with revisions, if any.

2:25-2:40

Policies and Practices Work Group

Objective: Learn about progress to date and discuss work group charge.

Dick Jackson, chair

- ACTION: Approve work group charge with suggestions, if any.

2:40-2:55

Community Conversations

Objective: Discuss objectives, approach and first draft of Community Conversation Toolkit.

Overview Presentation

Benjamin Gerhardstein, *Public Health Analyst*, NCEH/ATSDR

Questions and Discussion

- Do members support the approach of including both input into the National Conversation and an opportunity to talk about issues of local concern? Holding follow up conversations when the action agenda is released to explore ways of implementing actions locally?
 - What ideas do members have for recruitment, and who can provide contacts for outreach?
 - Will the proposed funding process for out of pocket expenses be seen as fair and/or what improvements do members suggest?
- ACTION: Informal advice.

2:55-3:00

Wrap Up and Next Steps