

Liaison Coordinator Report January 2018

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Healthy Eating in the Recreation Setting

- The HERS WG has submitted some additional comments to the Healthy Eating Topic Overall (Part of the ministry's Chronic Disease Prevention Guideline Working Group).
- Participation of 4 WG members is confirmed at the Parks and Recreation Ontario (PRO) spring forum.
- HERS Communication Workgroup survey is currently being administered to evaluate the 'Healthy Eating in Recreation Centers Toolkit'.

Family Health Nutrition Advisory Group

- Anneke Hobson has come on board this January to co-chair FHNAG.
- We have a small working group who are looking at the Pediatric Nutrition Guidelines and making recommendations for updating and dissemination.
- Co-chairs are developing a FHNAG survey to implement with membership. We are experiencing chronically low attendance on monthly teleconference calls. Would like get a sense from membership strengths, weaknesses and barriers to participate.

Does executive has a master list of when the various ODPH workgroup regularly meet? If we were to move the day/time, we don't want to conflict with another workgroup's set meeting time.

Food Literacy Working Group

Advocacy with key provincial stakeholders: Developed a briefing note which was shared with key stakeholders at the Ministry level. Also provided findings from the LDGP food literacy research to Health Canada regarding revision to the CFG (no response). Will be sharing research findings with OMAFRA later this month to determine future collaboration and/or sharing opportunities.

Marketing to Kids Working Group

M2K backgrounder draft was sent to Monique Potvin-Kent for review.

Co-chair, Sonia Jean-Philippe, is expecting at the end of March and will therefore not be continuing on as co-chair.

On January 19th, the tweet below was sent out by ODPH. We wanted to flag it as the Bill is definitely a move in the right direction but we're not sure that ODPH should be 100% in agreement with it. The Bill and the research are somewhat contradictory (note the ages studied are 11-19 and the bill was changed to be 13 and under. It also does not cover sport sponsorships.

Tweet: [2018-01-19, 11:47 AM](#)

A new UK study shows young people tend to consume more junk food when it's advertised to them on TV. In Canada, Bill-S228 would restrict unhealthy food [#Marketing2Kids](#) with no impact on Kids' community-level sports sponsorships. We support it! metronews.ca/life/health/20...

alPHA-OPHA Joint Working Group on SDOH

Tracy Woloshyn has stepped down from the OPHA-alPHA Health Equity Workgroup. She was using one of ODPH's OPHA memberships in order to be on this workgroup. She no longer needs that membership.

Health Science and Law

Nothing to report

University of Toronto

Mary Fodor O'Brien is the new Practicum Coordinator for the MPH Nutrition & Dietetics program. Katharine Slater recently retired from this position as of Dec 31st, 2017.

Pierrette Buklis (MPH Program Director) has been in contact with the MOHLTC to clarify the revisions to the Qualifications of Boards of Health Staff and determine any impact this may have on the program.