A FAITH MEETS HEALTH PARTNERSHIP

Lowell Community Health Center

Partnership/ Support from Emory University Interfaith Health Program

Audience: Adult Immunization Conference April 25th 2017

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We may discuss the use of vaccines in a manner not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration

But in accordance with ACIP recommendations

Objectives

- Describe the rationale for Public Health and Faith Based Partnerships
- Share Lowell Community Health Center's partnership model for Faith Based Outreach (i.e. Flu Prevention)
- Share lessons learned
- Set the stage for your review of and application of the practices



Background

Lowell CHC - history and experience in:

- Faith Based Outreach
- Sub Saharan African health initiatives
- Faith Based leaders brunches
- Advisory Boards
- Community Health Days
- Community Outreach-Community Health Workers



Overall Program Structure

- Request for Proposal (Emory University invitation)
- Multi-year since 2009
- Grants range from 5K to 7K each year
- Builds on previous work
- Ten national sites





National Partners

Funding support and program content development partners:

- HHS Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships
- Association for State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- All 10 participating community site leaders
- Emory University



National Sites (multi-sector)

Arkansas

Immunization Action Coalition

• Chicago, IL

Center for Faith and Community Health
Transformation (Advocate Health Care and UIC)
and Chicago Area Immunization Campaign (CAIC) •

Colorado Springs, CO

Penrose-St. Frances Mission Outreach

Detroit, MI
 United Health Organization



Los Angeles, CA
 Taiwan Buddhist Tzu Chi Medical Foundation

Lowell, MA
 Lowell Community Health Center

Memphis, TN
 Methodist LeBonheur Center of

Excellence in Faith and Health

Minnesota
Minnesota Immunization Networking Initiative
(MINI)

New York City, NY
 South Brooklyn Interfaith Coalition (Lutheran Health Care)

 Pennsylvania, PA Schuylkill County's VISION



Local Partners

Faith Based Organizations

Circle Health

Circle Home

Walgreens Pharmacy



Greater Lowell Health Alliance and its partners

Community
Based
Organizations

Lowell
Community
Health Center



Project Timeline

2015-

2017

2009-Partnered with a culturally diverse network representing all ethnicities in 2010 the region 2010-**Engaged 8 Community Lay Health** 2011 Workers and Cultural Advisors in Outreach 2011-**Launched Annual Faith Leaders** 2012 **Luncheon Event** 2012-Reached external networks- Mass 2013 League 2013-Strengthened and Increased networks; 2014 **Trained front line workers** 2014-Shared knowledge, best practice and 2015 lessons learned with wider networks

Reaching Vulnerable Populations, Expanding Reach



Overall Program Accomplishments

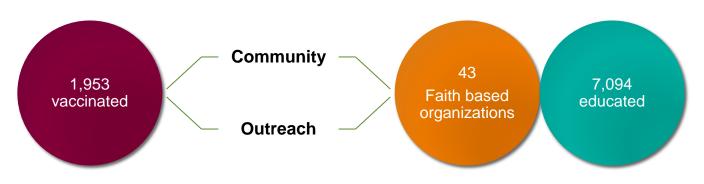
- Program has sustained our connection with local FBOs and CBOs (VNA, Health Department, Samaritans of Merrimack Valley, MDPH)
- Reaching at risk, vulnerable populations each year
- Initiated Annual Faith Based luncheons (Breakfast) with 30-40 FBOs attending each year
- "First Ladies of Faith" Luncheon-Lowell Women's Week
- Ebola Community Forum and Concert
- Connected with Greater Boston Refugee Ministry



Total Program Reach

- 1,953 people vaccinated
- 43 Faith Based
 Organizations engaged
- 7,094 people educated

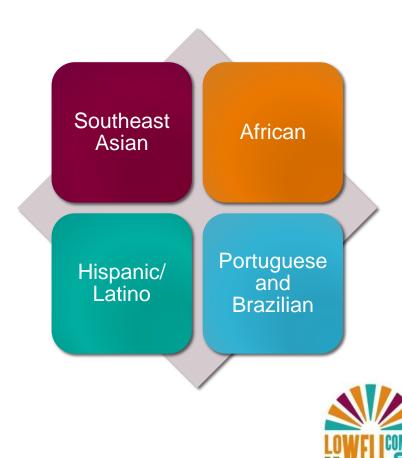






Culturally Tailored Flu Bag





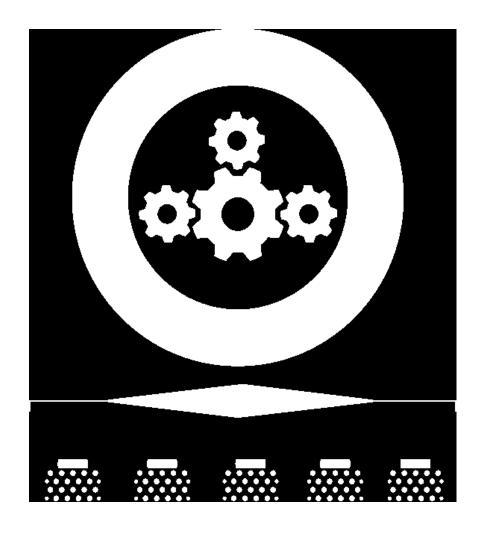


Model Practice Framework

The Model Practices
Framework as a schematic that
represents the 14 essential
practices organized as:

- The Foundation (center)
- The Processes (plain circle)
- The Infrastructure (bottom)

http://www.astho.org/Infectious-Disease/Public-Health-and-Faith-Community-Partnerships-Model-Practices-to-Increase-Influenza-Prevention-Among-Hard-to-Reach-Populations/



Marry Stories with oats **Model Practice** Inclusivity Inclusivity Ssion Driven Klexibility Framework Relationships and Presence Trust in Community FAITH MISSION 4S CORE DRIVER Build and Maintain Trust

Leadership Anchors the Work

Volunteers as Groundwork

Circle of Core Partners



External Networks



Multi-sectoral Collaboration



Lowell Community Health Center's Distinctive Capacity



Looking forward

- Project continues strong due to good foundation (e.g. Walgreens)
- New partner in Element Care to co-sponsor the Annual Faith Leaders event (April,19th)
- Invited to National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) to a meeting to address social determinants of health. Partnership efforts of local health departments, hospitals, and faith-based organizations
- Discuss Community Needs Assessments and Community Health Improvement Processes (CHIP)
- Expand partnerships beyond the GL region

~ Asante ~ Gracias ~ Aw Kohn ~ Kob Jai ~ Cám ơn ~

Thank you

~ Merci beacoup ~ Obrigado ~ Xie Xie ~ Shukran ~

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