# Cumberland District Public Health Council Year-In-Review

The Cumberland District Public Health Council (CDPHC) is a representative, district-wide body formed in partnership with the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention (Maine CDC) to engage in collaborative planning and decision-making for the delivery of the <u>Ten Essential Public Health Services</u> in the Cumberland Public Health District, which covers all of Cumberland County, Maine.

#### **Mission**

The Council's mission is to promote the health of all our communities by providing information, coordination, collaboration and advocacy.

## **Vision**

The Council's vision is that communities in the Cumberland District are among the healthiest in the state.

### **Council Priorities**

Housing
Mental Health
Access to Care

#### 2024 Highlights

-First Annual Data Potluck (March 2024)

-Information session on Bangor Area HIV and HEP C (May 2024)

-Council Priority Setting Process (May 2024)

-Incorporated the Healthcare Coalition (HCC) as a subcommittee of the Council (September 2024)

-Call for public comment on proposed GA rule changes (November 2024)

-Awarded \$80,400 in health equity funding to Preble Street, in a competitive process, in a competitive process with 5 applicants (June 2024)

-Created and distributed District Public Health Promotion Materials including: -Simple Language Vaccination Promotion Flyers -Community Vaccination Clinics List -Holiday Food Resources Guides -Holiday Food Resource Guides

(November/December 2024)

-Created a Council Gratitude Map (November 2024)
-Updated Member Handbook (December 2024)

194 Participants in 2024 in Council Meetings 6 Meetings on key Public Health Issues in **2024**  2024 priority-setting process with 33 survey responses, and 27 participants

# **2024 Meeting Topics**

-Reaching Vulnerable Populations During
COVID Vaccine Rollout
-Narcan Use and Hands Only CPR for Crisis Situations
-Prevention: Substance Use and Tobacco Prevention
-District Briefing on HIV/ HEP C
-Public Health Priorities for CDPHC

-Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed (A.L.I.C.E) Data review for Cumberland District -Health Care Partners Community Health Needs Assessment

(CNHA) Accomplishments

-Cumberland District Emergency Preparedness and Winter Warming Shelters

# **Meet Our Executive Committee**

Chair Cathy Bean Kelley, Northern Light Home Care and Hospice Vice Chair Bridget Rauscher, Portland Public Health Division Council
Representative to
SCC
Courtney Kennedy
Good Shepherd
Food Bank

Barbara Ginley MaineHealth Community Health Team

Kristine Jenkins Maine CDC Ann Tucker Greater Portland Health

Andrew Volkers Preble Street Health Services

#### **Meet Our Members**

Peggy Akers- Northern Light Homecare and Hospice

Kim Beaudoin- Maine Health- Access to Care

Liz Blackwell-Moore- Cumberland County Government

Anna Bullett - TOA - WIC

Cross Cultural Community Services CEO Cross Cultural

Community Services

Emma Donnelly- Preble Street, Florence House Director

Janet Lewin

Kirsten Faucher- City of Portland Public Health Division

Ellen Freedman- MaineHealth

Rachel Gallo-University of Southern Maine Cutler Institute;

Data Innovation Project

Barbara Ginley-MaineHealth

Kate Herrick- Director of Health Disparities & Access;

Maine Medical Center-Access to Care

Amanda Hutchins-HEAL Program Coordinator,

Portland Public Health

Kristine Jenkins- Maine CDC

Cathy Bean Kelley- Northern Light Homecare & Hospice

Courtney Kennedy-Good Shepherd Food Bank,

Director of Nutrition

Katie Kerr-Mercy Hospital

Eisha Khan-Maine Health BIPOC CTMN

Mike Koza-Portland Water District, Regulatory &

Security Advisor

Victoria Morales-Quality Housing Coalition

Cathy Pinkham- LHO

Leanne Pomeroy- Preble Street Rapid Rehousing Director

Bridget Raucher- Substance Abuse Prevention Program,

City of Portland PHD

Hannah Ruhl- SNAP-Ed

Naomi Schucker- MaineHealth, Senior Director

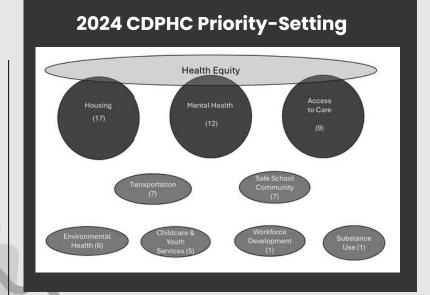
Rachel Talbot-Ross Maine Legislature

Ann Tucker- CEO of Greater Portland Health

Helen Twombly- LHO and RN

Andrew Volker- Preble Street Health Services

Joseph Zamboni- Office of Aging and Disability Services



# Meet Our <u>Cumberland</u> District Liaison

**Kristine Jenkins** 



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Would Like to Know More? Would You Like to Get Involved?



I'm thankful for strong community support and engagement

Information sharing

I am grateful for a team of professionals that have had a relentless commitment to protecting health in our communities! -Stephany Jacques President Bridgton Hospital

What am I grateful for.
As a LHO. It's. My go to
person. Kristine. Who
can help me seek.
Guidance on what ever.
I have to address as
boots on the ground.
It's the trainings offered
as well

The community of professionals who find ways to strengthen their knowledge and partnerships

Collaboration and partnerships A true desire to improve lives

Educates us about other partners and

their work

Friendships

For working towards a brighter, healthier tomorrow where good health and well-being is attainable by ALL in our community I love GRATITUDE! We need more of it in the world along with joy and happiness.

community, public health, service providers, and team

# Happy Public Health Thank You Day!

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO

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Community,
collaboration, and
partnership! I love
hearing about the
different projects others
are working on and
finding opportunities to
support each others work.

Thankful for the professionals and community members who care deeply about public health, and who are willing to work together on finding solutions to the many challenges we have

Grateful for vaccines and science and to Cathy Bean who NEVER says no when I ask her if I can take the vaccine anywhere it is needed

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to public health and creating a healthier and safer future for Maine communities, your work does not go unnoticed, and we are grateful for you.

thank you to the first responders, nurses, community health workers, outreach teams, and everyone working on the front lines of public health

I am grateful for all the "helpers" and the strong collaboration among community partners.

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