

**Rhode Island Department of Health
Women's Health Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes – October 1, 2008**

**Members Present: Margaret Koch, Danielle Denis Iris Tong
Members Excused Absence: Katie Albert, , Yvonne Freeman, Marie Ghazal, Catherine Graziano, Wendy Fox, Lisa Jones, Marian Mehegan, Christine Ryan Janet Searles, Jessica Marfeo, Marlene McCarthy, Cynthia Rosengard, , Lisa Shea, HEALTH Staff Present: Carrie Bridges, Kate McCarthy-Barnett,**

Welcome & Introductions

Iris Tong called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm.

Approval of Minutes (September 3, 2008)

Minutes were accepted.

Project Updates

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Subcommittee Reports:

Sexual Abuse Awareness Subcommittee: Iris shared the draft fact sheets reviewing sexual abuse and assault screening. The fact sheet was reviewed. Danielle will make suggested changes and send to

Kate. Carrie will follow-up with Beatriz Perez (Injury Prevention) to confirm funding. Anticipated funding is \$750 for printing.

Breast Cancer among Elderly Women Subcommittee: Members were excused from the meeting.

Healthy Relationships among Teenage Girls: Members were excused from the meeting.

Perry-Sullivan Bill Subcommittee: Members were excused from the meeting.

Teen Ambassador Update:

Carrie, Iris and Kate will be reviewing the applications and inviting the new teen ambassadors to the November meeting.

Regional Report:

No regional report. However, Carrie shared an overview of the Regional Women's Health Meeting held in July. She will send a brief overview of the meeting at a later date.

Staff Report:

On behalf of Carrie, Kate provided an update on the status the following: internal review of women's health programs and initiatives; update on the Women's Health Leadership Council and funding for a review of the CLAS Standards. Per the request of the committee, Kate will ask Carrie to provide an update on the standards at the November meeting.

Next Meeting is November 5, 2008