

Oregon Asthma Network  
Air Quality & Asthma Workgroup  
January 10, 2002 2:00-4:00  
Oregon Public Health– Room 710

Attending: Lindarose Allaway, Oregon State University Extension Services; John Dougherty, Multnomah County Health Department; Barbara Tombleson, AirAdvice, Inc.; Elizabeth Vowels, Department of Environmental Quality; Justin Waltz, Oregon Asthma Program.

<b>Item</b>	<b>Conclusions</b>	<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>Date</b>
Welcome and Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Justin Waltz welcomed the group and introductions were made.</li></ul>			
Recap of the December 13th Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Justin Waltz gave a summary of the December 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. At that meeting, the workgroup discussed the need to learn more about the possible projects on the project matrix.</li></ul>			

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Discussion of the second version of the "project matrix"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The workgroup had a point-by-point discussion of the matrix document. The "Tools for Schools" and the "asthma clearinghouse" projects received slightly higher scores than the other projects.</li> <li>• The group decided that working on the outdoor and indoor triggers portion of an asthma educational materials clearinghouse should be their first project. The consensus was that this project has been requested by a variety of people who care for people with asthma around the state.</li> </ul>	The group decided to take this on as a project	Workgroup members	?
Discussion of clearinghouse project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Justin Waltz presented the Tobacco Education and Prevention Program's clearinghouse as a possible template for the workgroup to follow. This clearinghouse can be viewed at <a href="http://www.ohd.hr.state.or.us/tobacco/otec/otec.pdf">http://www.ohd.hr.state.or.us/tobacco/otec/otec.pdf</a></li> <li>• Justin Waltz brought up a few possible attributes of an asthma clearinghouse. Among them: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Materials that make it into the clearinghouse should have been evaluated and found to be efficacious by workgroup members, potential users, and health education experts hired by the Oregon Asthma Program.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other state asthma programs should be contacted to find out about their clearinghouse experiences (if any).</li> </ul>	Justin Waltz	2/5/02

	<p>2) The group should borrow from clearinghouses that may already be in existence</p> <p>3) Material should be selected with the needs of specific populations and their caregivers in mind. Therefore, an assessment of those needs should be done before material is gathered.</p> <p>4) The group should begin to hammer out a plan that conceptualizes the clearinghouse and future tasks at the next meeting.</p>			
Discussion of "Tools for Schools"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lindarose Allaway described the Tools for Schools program and her plan for training school personnel to do environmental quality assessments in approximately 20 Portland area schools. These assessments include activities centered on indoor as well as outdoor environments on school grounds.</li> <li>• Lindarose Allaway felt that group members could help move Tools for Schools along by:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Endorsing the program</li> <li>2) Putting a Tools for Schools link on their websites</li> <li>3) Working on a marketing plan to "sell" the program to school personnel.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	The group agree to take this on as a future project.	Workgroup members	?
<b>Pending Issues</b>				<b>Person Responsible</b>
Next meeting of the Air Quality and Asthma Workgroup is Tuesday, February 5, 2002, 2:00-4:00PM at the Portland State Office Building, room 705C. The call-in number is 1-888-422-7128. When prompted by AT&T, please use code 990303 to enter the meeting.				Justin Waltz