

CSTE Executive Board Conference Call
February 5, 2010

Members on Call: Mel Kohn (OR), Perry Smith (NY), Steve Ostroff (PA), Martha Stanbury (MI), Duc Vugia (CA), Tom Safranek (NE), Michael Landen (NM), Bob Rolfs(UT), LaKesha Robinson (CSTE), Beverly Christner (CSTE), Jennifer Lemmings (CSTE), Lisa Ferland (CSTE) and Marcia Mabee (CSTE).

Members Absent: Sara Huston (NC) and Laurene Mascola (CA).

Agenda

March Executive Board Meeting

Marcia provided the Board with a summary of President Obama's budget, with a more detailed report provided in the Washington Report available on the CSTE website. CSTE priorities will be flat funded this year with a slight increase in Food Safety and Emerging Infections. The West Nile virus funding has been eliminated from the President's Budget. Marcia also reported on Health Care Reform and noted that it is questionable that the Health Care Reform will pass. CSTE will go to the Hill Visit with the ASTHO Affiliate Health Care Reform Conference Document and highlight the CSTE priorities in the document.

Action Items:

- The Board agreed to maintain last year's funding priorities with the exception of HIV/AIDS and the addition of BRFSS under the surveillance Fact Sheet and has revised the Food Safety recommendation.
- Executive Board suggested a friendly call from Pat to NACCHO with regrets that CSTE cannot meet with their agency due to time constraints.

Position Statement Template

Perry Smith called the Executive Board's attention to the technical edits that have been made in the 2010 Position Statement Template.

Technical Edits:

- 2009 replaced with 2010
- Officers' names were changed
- Table 6 B, wording changed from "required" to "suggested"

Action Item:

- Lisa Ferland will provide the Executive Board with the tracked changes made to the 2010 Position Statement Template.

Annual Meeting Update

Steve Ostroff reported that the Annual Planning Committee continues to move forward with the plenary presentations. William Hersh, MD, from Oregon Health Science University has confirmed for the Informatics presentation. Walt Orenstein's and Peggy Hamburg's speaker confirmations are pending. A Food Safety plenary presentation may be developed for Tuesday, pending speaker confirmation from USDA.

Beverly noted that there are a few abstracts left to be determined. Registration opened this week and there is a total of 36 registered participants.