New American/Foreign Born/Immigrant Advisory Board July 25, 2022 – 6:00 PM Meeting Minutes

Attendance – Board Members

Johanna Fajardo
Hamzat Koriko
Ahmed Makaraan
Kouadjo Bini
Sahra Abdullahi
Luisa Hoyos
Analena Lunde

Other Attendees: Alicia Belay, Sargam Ghimire, Valentina Asiedu

Welcome and Roll Call (Sargam/Dr Koriko)

Announcements and Updates:

- o New Chair Position (Dr Koriko's term ended as of June 2022)
 - Open for anyone to apply. So far there are 5 candidates.
 - Samuel Acquah
 - Johanna Fajardo
 - Luisa Hoyos
 - Kuodjo Bini
 - Sahra Abdullahi
 - Election of new chair at next meeting after each candidate gives a 2-3 minute presentation. Sargam to send them the questions to prepare.
- o COVID Task Force Updates
 - We now have two or three towns that are using the \$50,000 for youth events, etc.
 (Grand Forks and Bismarck confirmed. Minot still in the process).
- o Mission/Vision Document
 - Document is finally approved and uploaded to the webpage.
- Website
 - The NDDoH website is now able to be translated into 15 different languages.
 - Availability of at home STI Testing launched by NDDoH. Flyer is in approval process with communications.

Presentation on Providing Feedback on the 2022-2025 Integrated 5 Year Plan to Eliminate HIV (Sahra Abdullahi) – Comments Below

- o We need to involve the community who are living with HIV. They are the ones who can actually provide feedback and will have more of an impact.
- o It would be good to integrate this message with other programs. For example, STIs, health prevention, women's health.....other awareness programs.
- o The word HIV is more taboo....using STI could be a good way to integrate in HIV.
- o This plan will be going to the CDC in December. So far, we have the goals and what Sahra presented and those will be looked at internally. Feedback will be reviewed and then goals will be identified in September.

Next meeting: Monday, September 26, 2022