

**New American/Foreign Born/Immigrant Advisory Board
February 22, 2021 – 6:00PM
Meeting Minutes**

Attendance

Beverly	Anaele
Alicia	Belay
Ranju	Dhungana
Precious	Garpeh
Krissie	Guerard
Stella	Jarua
Hamzat	Koriko
Bini	Kouadjo
Isabel	Lopez
Kim	Mertz
Monica	Soto
Reggie	Tarr
Sara	Uppgren
Iredia	Isadolor

Agenda Items

- **Presentation and request for input from Injury Prevention, discussion of reaching NFI communities with training/education – Mandy Slag, NDDoH**
 - Cribs For Kids and Safe Sleep Programs
 - Provides cribs and education for families in need of safe sleep environment for baby
 - 27 Cribs for Kids sites
 - Brochures are available in Spanish
 - Falls Prevention Program
 - Program called Stepping On
 - For people 60 and older to help decrease falling
 - Program is being translated into Spanish
 - Falls prevention brochures are available in Spanish
 - North Dakota Impact Teen Drivers (ITD)
 - Count the Kicks Program
 - Stillbirth prevention program
 - Educates women on importance of tracking fetal movement
 - Empowers moms to speak up to providers if there is a concern
 - App to use to count the kicks and it's available in 12 different languages
 - Poison Prevention
 - Poison Help line

- Online poison prevention training
 - Poison help brochure is available in multiple languages
 - Poison help stickers and magnets are available in Spanish
 - Adolescent Health
 - Partnership with North Dakota Family Planning Clinics to increase number Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ) 2 and PHQ9 screenings and referrals
 - Engagement of adolescent groups to ensure that adolescent health activities are adolescent driven
 - Formation of an Adolescent Advisory Board within the Health Equity Office
 - North Dakota Impact Teen Drivers (ITD)
 - Work with a college to coordinate program activities
 - Trainers throughout the state
 - Only have resources in English
- **Statement of Intent: task force update – Bini Kouadjo**
 - Working to identify the key tasks and purpose for board members
 - Created a specific list when signing up to be a board member
 - Reviewed list with the group
 - Vote will be taken at next meeting
- **COVID-19 task force update and discussion – Reggie Tarr and Ranju Dhungana**
 - Met a couple of times
 - How to reach communities and what information they would like
 - Radio Station FM 88.1 at 2PM daily: daily messages for NFI communities in multiple languages about COVID and should be starting next week.
 - Multiple vaccination myths communities are hearing
 - “I won’t be able to afford the vaccine.”
 - “If you use charcoal before you take the vaccine, you won’t have side effects.
 - “Vaccine is not safe since it was rapidly developed.”
 - “I already had COVID 19, so I don’t need the vaccine.”
 - “I don’t have to wear a mask after being vaccinated.”
- **Board Discussion – Hamzat Koriko**
 - Discussion on using WhatsApp to communicate with the board.
- **Next meeting/adjourn**
 - Monday, March 29, 2021 at 6:00 pm