

## **ASTDD Evaluation Consultants Annual Report Jan 1, 2017 – Dec 31, 2017**

Chair: N/A

Consultants: Carissa Beatty and Mary Davis

Members: N/A

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1. List any new members or subcommittee members: N/A

2. Describe the purpose of your consultation:

To build evaluation capacity in state oral health programs, and support ASTDD in evaluating their efforts to support SOHPs.

3. List your recent consultant accomplishments:

- Partnered with ASTDD consultants to support data collection and use for ongoing quality improvement of ASTDD operations, program development, and workgroup activities. This included collaboration with Barb Park for CD workgroup logic model development; with Bev Isman on evaluation of students' experiences in working on ASTDD writing projects
- Partnered with ASTDD on preparing for renewal of CA through strategic planning on evaluation activities and reviewing reporting for previous CA.
- Provided direct TA in response to ASTDD members' requests
- Facilitated roundtable sessions on high-impact public health strategies at 2017 NOHC
- Established a mechanism for supporting CDC's Division of Oral Health in providing evaluation TA to states and reviewing states' evaluation reports
  - Provided technical assistance and consultation to SOHPs (including targeted TA to HI, RI, and GA, priority states identified with ASTDD and CDC)
  - 1 state reports reviewed to date

4. Describe your current consultant activity:

- Developing needs assessment strategy & survey to collect data from OHP directors to guide ASTDD program development & response to CDC NOFOs

- On call to respond to TA requests, review states' evaluation reports, or other requests as needed.
- Providing TA to evaluation listserv members.

5. Describe the future activities planned that focus on your area of expertise:

- Equip OHPs to write final evaluation reports due to CDC in 2018 and respond to forthcoming NOFO; contribute to state evaluation report review with CDC (spring 2018)
- Draft evaluation questions, strategies, measures, etc for ASTDD response to 2 CDC NOFOs: DOH and OSTLTS (Feb – mid-May)
- Meet with some states, CDC and ASTDD at the NOHC (April)
- Help collect and analyze ASTDD evaluation data and assist in writing the evaluation pieces of the 5-year report for the current CDC cooperative agreement (August -late October)
- Other opportunities to strategically build evaluation capacity in OHPs may include: creating an evaluation training plan for ASTDD and CDC, re-establishing the ASTDD evaluation listserv, and creating a framework for ASTDD members to provide each other peer support / mentoring.

6. Describe any subcommittees your committee uses, their roles and activities: N/A

7. List any unmet needs:

We will continue to partner with CDC and ASTDD to explore novel methods for assisting states in proactively planning for how to make evaluation central to their work (a culture of evaluation), rather than seeing evaluation as a reactive, add-on activity , or as a competing priority for which they don't have the time or resources.

Providing training in evaluation to SOHP staff in evaluation roles who may be trained as epidemiologists rather than evaluators.