# Collaborative on Health and the Environment-Washington (CHE-WA) Children's Environmental Health Working Group - Meeting Notes March 12, 2009 9:30-11:30

Location: Canal Place, 130 Nickerson Ave.

(Attendance list at very end)

## **Committee Reports**

### Forum & Fair Planning

#### Gail

- Forum & Fair is becoming better known
- Program will be finalized next week
- The steering committee will meet on March 26<sup>th</sup> to finalize the agenda. Then the logistics work will really kick in
- No real breaking news; other than that it is really going to happen and that it will be really cool.
- Gail will send out a DRAFT of the Forum & Fair program
- The bags have arrived; they are made of all recycled materials

#### Jeanne

• Will this be a fragrance-free zone? If so, we should advertise it as such.

#### Michelle

• Will this be a Green Event? Jeff is including that in the Logistics considerations.

#### Gail

- Michelle has drafted a flyer for the third day of the event, which will be translated into Spanish.
- All three days of the Forum & Fair will be in the same place.

# **Updates from members on current CEH projects**

#### Tracee

- Mercury: there is good research on this topic from the state of Maine. Take a look at it for a good feel of where the science currently is on this issue.
  - o Jeanne: Interested in public messaging. What do we tell people who break fluorescent tubes? Maine does have a recommendation (Tracee).

#### Gail

- The Environmental Working Group has updated the shopper's card and offers extensive documentation.
- The Hazardous Waste website is being updated to include information for pregnant women.

• The Snohomish County Health District has received a grant to do HHW presentations. Gail will offer them lessons learned from her time doing these type presentations.

#### Nicole

• HUD stimulus money will be coming soon, but King County is not currently part of the receiving grant

#### Kristi

- The Renovate Right law begins in 2010. It will require remodelers to be trained on/in lead awareness.
- EPA is soliciting proposals on indoor air quality
- EPA, Region 8 is presenting a conference on children's health in Missoula, Montana

#### **Jeff**

Presented the *This is Public Health* video and discussed sticker placement.

#### Action items:

• Mailing list authorization: the group authorized Gail to distribute it when she receives an appropriate request.

# Guest presentation:

Guest presentation: Jeff Ketchel and Tracee Mayfield, Local Hazardous Waste Management Program in King County spoke on the *Follies and Foibles in Toy Purchasing*.

#### Attendance list:

| Aimee Boulanger           | Institute for Children's' Environmental Health   |
|---------------------------|--|
| Cindy Callahan            | Seattle Public Utilities                         |
| Dave Hickok               | PH-SKC-LHWMP                                     |
| Denise Laflamme           | WA State Dept. of Health                         |
| Dennis Weaver             | Change Your Food-Change Your Life!               |
| Elisabeth Long            | WA State Dept. of Health                         |
| Gail Gensler              | Local Hazardous Waste Management Program in King |
|                           | County   |
| Henry Draper (note taker) | Local Hazardous Waste Management Program in King |
|                           | County   |
| Jeanne Johnson            | ECOSS  |
| Jefferson Ketchel         | PH-SKC   |
| Julia Berg(facilitator)   | Local Hazardous Waste Management Program in King |
|                           | County   |
| Julie Parker              | PH-SKC-CCHP                                      |
| Kristi Waddell            | EPA  |

| Lauren Jenks     | WA State Department of Health                    |
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| Margo Young      | EPA  |
| Michelle Gaither | Pollution Prevention Resource Center             |
| Millie Piazza    | DOE  |
| Nancy Bernard    | WA State Dept. of Health                         |
| Nicole Thompson  | PH-SKC   |
| Robin Kenepah    | PH-SCK   |
| Thai Nguyen      | PH-SKC   |
| Tracee Mayfield  | Local Hazardous Waste Management Program in King |
|                  | County   |