**Workgroup Name:** Professional Organizations Workforce Development Workgroup  

**Workgroup Members:** Dalen Duitsman, Linda Cooperstock, Martha Smith, Liz House, Andrew Warlen, Kristin Wilson and Diane Weber  

**Attendees:** Linda Cooperstock, Kristin Wilson, Jaci McReynolds, Casey Parnell, Martha Smith and Sandy Boeckman (staff)  

**Meeting Summary**  
10/26/2020, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.  

**Agenda Items:**  
1. Update on HealthierMO  
2. Update on FPHS academic Model  
3. Review of previous meeting summary  
4. COVID-19 Related workforce issues  

**Discussion:**  
1. Casey reported that MINK is a good source of what other states are doing.  
2. Kristin Wilson update from SLU – Midwest Public Health Training Center is all of the HRSA training centers in each region. Casey is part of a regional steering committee (two from each state). Attention and their discussion turned toward working with LPHAs and what can be done regionally. Heartland Center is the conduit for Missouri.  
3. DHSS concerned about mental health needs of the workforce. Administrators and public health nurses are leaving. People are hard to find with the right experience and education. Grave concerns for mental health workers and burn out.  
4. Kristin reported that she is hearing this same thing in other states as well. They share many of the same concerns as Missouri and DHSS.  
5. Jaci is developing tools for the FPHS model. There is a link on an internal page of the HealthierMO website for the new tools. Overview video, documents and gear box pieces are available (for distribution to staff, etc.)  
6. How to address political ad information and misinformation that is incorrect and overly politicized concerning public health.  

**Actions:**  
1. Share summary with the group from today’s discussion.  
2. Create Teamwork notebook for further discussion of COVID-19 related workforce issues that the group may want to address.
**Next Steps:**
1. Report to the next Professional Organizations
2. Next Meeting: TBD