

Meeting Notes:

Local Health IT
Community of Practice
July 18, 2019

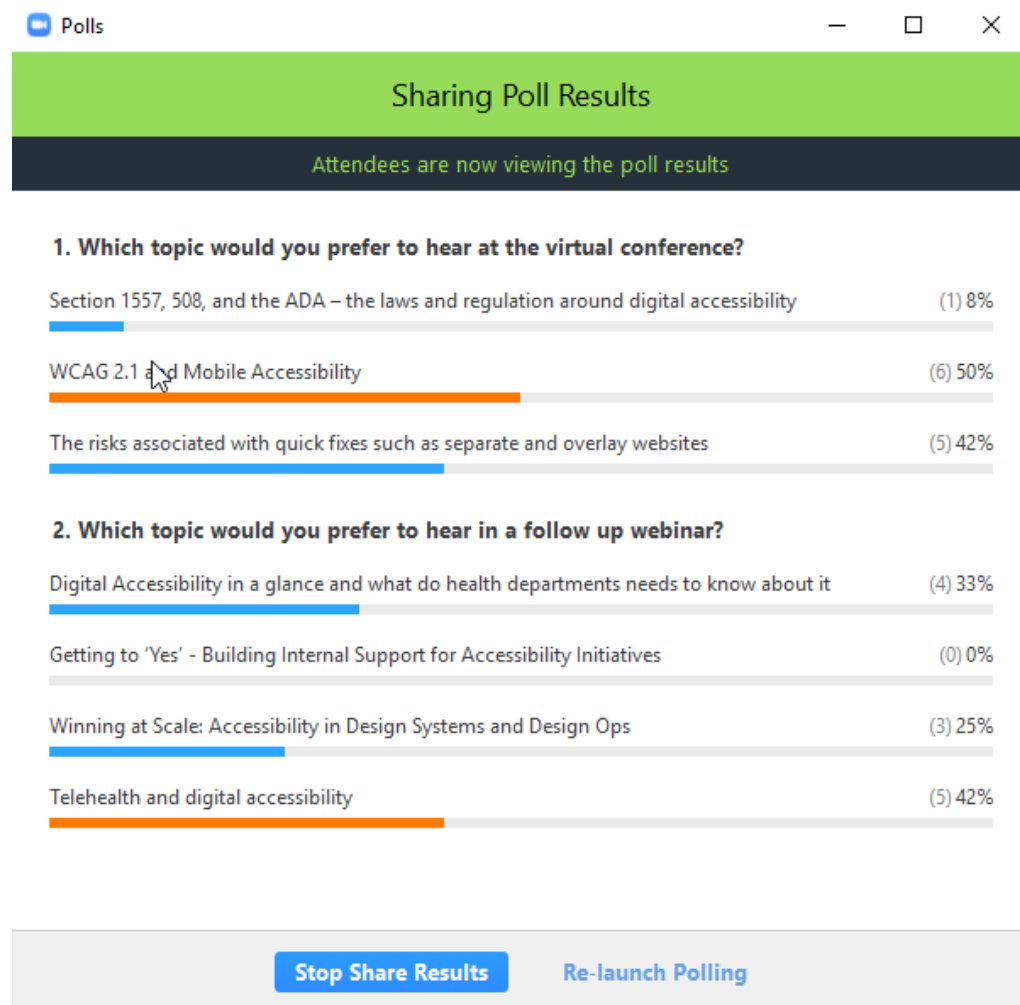
Attendees

- Dennis Small, NACCHO
- Angie McPherson, NACCHO
- Shauna McLaughlin, NACCHO
- Juliet Sheridan, Health Informatics Manager at Orange County Health Department, NC
- Jonathan Ong, Senior Health Manager, Mecklenburg, NC
- Mark Thurman, IT Senior Technician, Kansas City Health Department
- Rochelle Olson, Dakota County Public Health
- Marisa Pfalzgraf, Data Center Director, Pinellas County Health Department
- Jordan Luke, IT Operations, Tri-County
- Mike Oanes, Business Analyst, Olmsted County Public Health Services
- Tracey Roland, Kansas City Health Department
- Jacob Holdaway, Academy of Sciences
- Cassondra Burns, Franklin County Ohio
- Mark Thurman, IT Senior Technician, Kansas City Health Department
- Jeff Epilu, Tri-County Health Department

Notes

- Priority 1: Takeaways from NACCHO Annual
 - It was helpful to hear about different projects at local health departments around the country.
 - One project that stood out was Garrett County and their Open Source tool.
 - Angie will reach out to see if they can demonstrate their project to the group. She'll also share their resources with the group
 - We have a lot more that connects us than what differentiates us.
 - As we look forward to NACCHO Annual 2020, we can start to ask ourselves "Where health data ends and IT begins."
 - This could be a possible roundtable or townhall and discussion.
 - Within our CoP, we have a couple of different ways that IT departments and Informatics departments work together.
 - Tracey works in an IT department but has nothing for Informatics, there's a separate team
 - Cassondra has a similar set up with a technician and a separate Informatics; they work closely together
 - Rochelle from Dakota is like Olmsted County and this works well

- Mike Ones works to bridge IT with informatics in his role as a business analyst. He will be able to share his expertise with the group at a future meeting.
 - NACCHO Annual 2020 will take place in Denver and have a track for IT and another for Informatics. We can brainstorm potential ways to support this community, in person and digitally, at the conference.
- Priority 2: Website Accessibility
 - Esty Peskowitz is the Director of Marketing at Level Access. Her company is a sponsor for the virtual conference and will be sharing their expertise on website accessibility.
 - She noted that most people don't pay attention to accessibility until they get a demand letter. This issue is crucial to ensure that everyone has access to public information; nobody is excluded.
 - We voted for which topics were most relevant for this group. These were the results:



- NACCHO and Level Access will announce the speaker and topic in the weeks ahead.

- Priority 3: LHIT Virtual Conference
 - Registration for the conference is currently open.
 - The opening speaker is Karen DeSalvo, former National Coordinator for Health Information Technology.
 - One of our leading sessions will be Level Access on website accessibility.
 - We've also confirmed that Chris Collinge from Orange County will share his SOPs on telehealth implementation to a large group of counties.
- Other Topics
 - Tracey is looking to renew cybersecurity insurance. She was asked how many PHI records they had on file and thought it was peculiar.
 - Mike Ones responded to ask the insurance company if they needed an exact number. They are probably trying to estimate pricing.
 - Juliet Sheridan shared that they just had to answer that question and gave a ballpark as well.
 - Dennis Small said he would post his vendor information in Virtual Communities and invited other people to do the same.
 - Cassondra took an online course for advisor program and posted a link for a free cyber review to check to see how resilient your network is: <https://us-cert.gov>
 - The next meeting will be on August 22 at 1pm ET. Bill Brooks from Greene County will share his best practices to keep staff on their toes when it comes to cybersecurity.

As always, you can reach out to amcpherson@naccho.org if you'd like to edit the meeting notes or if you have any questions about this Community of Practice.