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Publicity:

1. On April 13, 2003, Denver Public Library hosted the 9Health Fair. During that day I spoke with various people about the project and requested input from individuals and local health organizations for what they want on our new site. I received input from 16 individuals, which included representatives of 5 local health organizations.
2. *In addition, I mentioned the project to the 9Health Fair Director and the Health Reporter from 9News (TV). On another occasion, following a KEZW radio interview about an upcoming health class, I mentioned the project to the radio host. In each case these people expressed interest and the desire to hear more as the project progresses.

Outreach Sessions:

None.

Other accomplishments:

1. I met with various DPL Department Managers regarding what is involved in the start-up process from this end, including the hiring of a Health Educator Consultant, as well as paying for the extended hours of the Denver Healthy People 2010 staff member.
2. Kim Hill, Sr. Librarian at Ford-Warren, compiled a list of good contact people in the community. These folks will be considered for inclusion in focus groups or as key informants.

Target audience:

None.

Goals, Outcomes, Objectives:

1. Kim Hill, Sr. Librarian at the Ford-Warren Branch has resigned. Her position has been filled by Beckie Brazell. Beckie is excellent in Outreach and is fluent in Spanish, as well. We anticipate being able to fulfill the expected outcomes.

Evaluation:

None.

Impacts and Observations:

1. We have spent most of the first quarter of our project waiting for the necessary paperwork from NLM. The hiring of the Health Educator Consultant is crucial to this project, and we felt we needed the paperwork to be completed prior to posting of the position opening.
2. Finally, Siobhan Champ-Blackwell suggested that we proceed with the process of hiring this person in anticipation that paperwork would arrive by the time that resumes were received and interviews completed. We have acted on this advice. There has been relatively little we could do on this project without having the contracting process with NLM complete. Four months into the project, we are still waiting on this.

Planned Activities:

1. June 13 - Posting of the Health Educator position.
2. June 20,21 - "Planning for Action" Summit with Denver Healthy People 2010 Membership.
3. July 3 - Deadline for Health Educator applications.
4. July 15, 16 - Interviews for Health Educator.
5. July 21 - Health Educator begins (then or ASAP.)
6. August - Focus Groups and Key Informant Interviews.