



Council Sessions at the APHA Annual Meeting

July 26, 2012

As in previous years, the Council on Linkages Between Academia and Public Health Practice (Council) will be actively involved in the American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting to be held October 27-31, 2012 in San Francisco, CA. The Council will be offering print materials at the Public Health Foundation (PHF) exhibit booth, as well as engaging in sessions related to the Academic Health Department (AHD) Learning Community, the Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals (Core Competencies), and the Public Health Training Impact initiative.

Academic Health Department Learning Community

The AHD Learning Community will hold its second in-person meeting on Tuesday, October 30th from 8:30-10:00 am. Hosted by Council Chair C. William Keck, MD, MPH, the 90 minute session, "[Academic Health Department Learning Community: Strengthening Collaboration in Public Health](#)" (Session #4009.0), will serve as an opportunity for Learning Community members and others to learn more about AHDs and the Learning Community, share AHD-related experiences, and connect with public health professionals from across the country working to advance AHD efforts.

Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals

Tools to facilitate use of the Core Competencies will be presented in "[Enabling Competency-Based Public Health Workforce Development](#)" (Presentation #260766) on Monday, October 29th. This presentation will run from 8:30-8:50 am as part of the "Workforce Development in Public Health" session (Session #3035.0) scheduled for 8:30-10:00 am and will center on competency assessment and quality improvement tools.

Public Health Training Impact

The work of the Public Health Training Impact initiative will also be reported as part of the "Workforce Development in Public Health" session (Session #3035.0) on Monday, October 29th from 8:30-10:00 am. Entitled "[Maximizing the Impact of Public Health Training](#)" (Presentation #260874), this presentation will run from 9:10-9:30 am and will focus on strategies and methods for improving and measuring the impact of public health training.

Workforce Development Planning

Both the AHD Learning Community and the Core Competencies will be featured in "Developing and Implementing a Successful Workforce Development Plan" on Monday, October 29th. This 90 minute workshop will be presented twice on October 29th, first from [8:30-10:00 am](#) (Session #3009.0) and again from [2:30-4:00 pm](#) (Session #3337.0; Presentation #259345). During the session, Council Director Ron Bialek, MPP and PHF Senior Quality Advisor John (Jack) W. Moran, Jr., MBA, PhD, CMC, CQM will focus on strategies for developing and implementing a workforce development plan that will meet Public Health Accreditation Board standards for health department accreditation, as well as the needs of any public health organization. A similar session was successfully presented to approximately 60 participants at the National Association of County and City Health Officials Annual 2012 and is scheduled for this summer's National Association of Local Boards of Health Annual Conference on Thursday, August 9th from 1:00-2:00 pm (Session 2.5).