

LPH Institute Update January 31, 2011

2011 Training Calendar

The Institute training calendar for 2011 includes trainings offered by the Institute as well as trainings and events offered by our training partners. The enclosed Excel spreadsheet has been shared with our training partners to help our planning efforts in 2011.

The following trainings will be offered three times at three different locations in MA:

Personal Protective Equipment: Protecting Yourself & Your Community from Infectious Disease

- April 13, 2011: Northampton MDPH, 5pm to 7:30pm
- April 20, 2011: Tewksbury MDPH, 9:30am to 12pm
- May 18, 2011: New Bedford MDPH, 9:30am to 12pm

Legal Nuts and Bolts of Isolation and Quarantine: Parts 1 & 2

- May 5, 2011: Northampton MDPH, 10am to 3pm
- May 25, 2011: Burlington Town Hall, 10am to 3pm
- June 15, 2011: Conant Community Health Center, Bridgewater, 10am to 3pm

Infectious Disease Surveillance and Investigation

- June 2, 2011: Tewksbury area - to be confirmed, all day
- June 8 & 9, 2011: Bay State Medical Center, Holyoke, two evenings
- June 22, 2011: Wareham Town Hall – to be confirmed, all day

Classroom trainings aimed for Fall 2011 delivery are *Basic Risk Communications* and *Food and Water Emergencies*. The *Foundations for Local Public Health Practice* will be offered again in two locations this fall. If you have suggestions for where this course should be offered, please let Jen Tsoi know: jtsoi@bu.edu.

Final dates and times for all classroom trainings are determined by instructors and location availability. Save the dates will be sent once confirmations are complete.

Foundations Evaluation

Hope Kenefick is wrapping up the evaluation report for the Foundations 2010 course. The report and quality improvement plan will be shared with the Advisory Committee at the March meeting.

Institute Website

The hosting of the Institute website has moved. At this time, we're still fine-tuning the learning management system functions. Please feel free to contact Jen if you have problems with the website.

Training Centers

The Institute staff also met the DelValle Institute for Emergency Preparedness (DelValle) and Center for Excellence in Emergency Preparedness Education and Training (CEEPET), both are also training centers funded by MDPH for health care agencies (hospitals, EMS, long-term care facilities and community health centers). We have agreed to collaborate on trainings such as Advanced Risk Communication, cultural competency (in an emergency preparedness context) and planning for 'at risk' populations. Our next joint meeting will be in April.

CEEPET has also agreed to open some seats for local public health in their upcoming Risk Communication Seminar in Worcester on April 7th. More information will be shared through the Institute listserve.