

LPH Institute Update March 2011

Year One Progress Report

- Hope provided a summary of the Institute's 2010 accomplishments. The progress report has been drafted to correspond with the Institute's logic model and objectives.
- Data from the Advisory Committee member survey will complete this report.
- A survey link will be emailed to the Advisory Committee by the afternoon of March 28. Advisory Committee Members will have until April 8th to complete this brief survey.
- Full report will be completed at the end of April.

Engage new partners and continue collaborative planning

The Center of Excellence for Emergency Preparedness Education and Training (CEEPET) at UMASS Medical School

<http://ceepet.com/accounts/110/homepage/>

DeIValle Institute for Emergency Preparedness

<http://www.bphc.org/programs/emsep/emergencypreparedness/delvalle/Pages/Home.aspx>

Preparedness and Emergency Response Learning Center (PERLC) at Harvard School of Public Health

<http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/hperlc/>

UMASS-Amherst, School of Public Health and Health Sciences

<http://www.umass.edu/sphhs/>

The Institute, DeIValle, CEEPET, and PERLC are all funded to provide emergency preparedness trainings either through state or federal grants. The target audiences for DeIValle and CEEPET are healthcare facilities and for the Institute and PERLC it is the local public health workforce. While our target audiences are not always the same, there are certainly overlapping emergency preparedness trainings we can collaborate on. One example is the Risk Communication Seminar hosted by CEEPET on April 7th in Worcester. CEEPET has extended this opportunity to public health practitioners.

Additionally, UMASS-Amherst is excited to renew the partnership between UMass and the New England Alliance for Public Health Workforce Development (Alliance). The 2010 Foundations classroom sessions were held at UMASS-Amherst and a number of MPH student projects are connected with the public health workforce in western MA.

Coordination with New England Alliance for Public Health Workforce Development

The mission of the New England Alliance for Public Health Workforce Development (Alliance) is to promote and deliver collaborative education and training programs among academic, local, state, and regional public health agencies to strengthen the competence and capacity of the current and future public health workforce. The Alliance is structured to serve as the HRSA-funded public health training center (PHTC) for all of New England. Each New England state has an advisory group representing the local public health workforce within their state.

The LPHI Advisory Committee has agreed to serve as the MA Advisory Group to the Alliance. The scope of the MA Advisory Group to the Alliance is the same as the LPHI Advisory Committee. Future Advisory Committee meetings will have additional agenda items pertaining to the Alliance.

Upcoming Trainings

Risk Communication Seminar – April 7 in Worcester, MA

Center for Excellence in Emergency Preparedness Education and Training (CEEPET) at UMASS Medical School is opening registration to any interested local public health practitioners. Course brochure is included or visit <http://ceepet.com/accounts/110/homepage> for more information.

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

Registration has started. This training is being offered at three locations across the state.

- 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

Registration has started. This training is being offered at three locations across the state.

- 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

All dates, times and locations have been confirmed. Save the dates on the way.

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