



Rebuilding the Public Health Workforce

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CDC Foundation Perspectives on Rebuilding the Public Health Workforce

With the enhanced focus on public health infrastructure and workforce throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's](#) (CDC's) recent landmark Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to help reinvigorate and rebuild public health infrastructure, [Strengthening U.S. Public Health Infrastructure, Workforce, and Data Systems](#), the time has never been better for workforce development initiatives. The CDC Foundation, a nonprofit organization established to mobilize philanthropic and private-sector resources to support CDC, plays a key role in public health infrastructure. During this [Council on Linkages Between Academia and Public Health Practice](#) (Council) meeting, Judy Monroe, MD, President and CEO, CDC Foundation, will share perspectives on rebuilding the public health workforce.

Introduction to Public Health Practice Training Plan

CDC has recently released a new [Introduction to Public Health Practice training plan](#) through [CDC TRAIN](#). This flexible training plan consists of eight sections, six of which are built around domains of the [Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals](#) (Core Competencies). Created to build the skills of new public health professionals, this resource will help provide education and training to new staff hired to improve critical public health infrastructure needs and is freely available for anyone to use. During the Council meeting, Michelle Carvalho, MPH, MCHES, Lead, Learning Design & Fellowship Education Team, Education and Training Services Branch, Division of Scientific Education and Professional Development, Center for Surveillance, Epidemiology and Laboratory Services, CDC, will share information about this new training plan.

Regional Public Health Training Centers

The [Regional Public Health Training Centers](#) (PHTCs) provide training and other workforce development opportunities to strengthen the public health workforce. Funded by the [Health Resources and Services Administration](#) (HRSA) and located in public health schools and programs, 10 Regional PHTCs provide specialized training for public health students and the workforce using the Core Competencies. Megan Lincoln, MSW, Public Health Analyst, Division of Nursing and Public Health, Bureau of Health Workforce, HRSA, will share updates on the Regional PHTCs during this Council meeting.