Welcome to the May 2021 New York State Department of Health’s e-Distance Learning Newsletter.

In this issue, you will find on demand webcasts, and on demand webinars, many available on the NYSDOH Learning Management System (LMS, www.NYLearnsPH.com). If you have questions or issues accessing the LMS, or if you need assistance enrolling in any of the programs, please contact the NYSDOH Office of Public Health Practice at edlearn@health.ny.gov. Check back each issue, some Live Webinars will be on www.NYLearnsPH.com On-Demand.

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The best place for updated case numbers, guidance, press releases, and additional information for the public and healthcare providers.

Feeling stressed by the COVID-19 epidemic? You are not alone. Call the NYS Emotional Support Helpline 7 days a week, 8am-10pm at 1-844-863-9314.
The National Network of Public Health Institutes (NNPHI) is proud to announce its participation in Project Firstline, a collaborative made up of healthcare, public health, and academic partners, as well as 64 state, territorial, and local health departments funded through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Cooperative Agreement.

Project Firstline’s training and engagement opportunities will include short, accessible training videos, virtual interactive events, and telementoring to ensure healthcare and public health professionals are empowered with the science and reasoning behind essential infection control practices, and can confidently apply those practices to protect themselves, their facility, their family, and their community.

The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted gaps in infection control knowledge and practice in healthcare settings nationwide. CDC’s engagement of partners, such as NNPHI and the National Association of County and City and County Health Officials (NACCHO), demonstrates the important role of public health and local health departments in advancing infection control.

- Be sure to check out CDC's Project Firstline Facebook, Twitter, and
- Sign up to get the latest email updates from our Emergency Preparedness, Response and Recovery program as new trainings and tools are released!

Learn How You Can be Part of this Important Mission
APHA Advancing Racial Equity Webinar Series

Alarming disparities within the COVID-19 pandemic — such as higher hospitalizations and death rates among Black, Latino and Native communities — are sadly predictable and highlight the urgent need to address the root causes of health inequities. APHA hosted this webinar series to give an in-depth look at racism as a driving force of the social determinants of health and equity. This series explores efforts to address systems, policies and practices designed to limit and shape opportunities for people of color. Our presenters highlight collective and individual actions we can take to advance racial equity and justice.

Check out other APHA racism and health resources, including our popular book, Racism: Science & Tools for the Public Health Professional.

We encourage you to view webinars from the 2015 series The Impact of Racism on the Health and Well-Being of the Nation in advance of the 2020 webinar series.

Questions? Contact the Public Health Policy Center.

The Webinars

**Webinar # 1 | Racism: The Ultimate Underlying Condition**
**Webinar #2 | A Path to Reproductive Justice: Research, Practice and Policies**
**Webinar #3 | Reborn Not Reformed: Re-Imagining Policing for the Public’s Health**
- Brought to you by APHA and the Bloomberg American Health Initiative
**Webinar #4 | Racial Healing for Ourselves, Our Communities and Our Future**
**Webinar #5 | Housing is a Human Right**
**Webinar #6 | Mobilizing Public Health to Achieve Environmental Justice**

Other Racism, Violence & Health Resources:

**Resources to Challenge Policing and Incarceration as Part of a COVID-19 Response**, Human Impact Partners, May 2020
**Key Public Health Resources for Anti-Racism Action: A Curated List**, National Collaborating Centre for Determinants of Health (Canada), 2018
**Racism and Health**, American Public Health Association
**Violence, Safety and Community Peace**, Racial Equity Tools
**Current Projects**, Center for the Study of Racism, Social Justice & Health
**Anti-Racism**, National Health Care for the Homeless Council
May 2021:
*Some items are marked with NEW!, generally indicating that the promotion is new to this edition of the eDistance Learning newsletter.*

NEW! Unpacking Commercial Milk Formula Marketing: Communities, Contexts, and Impacts
Sponsored by U.S. Breastfeeding Committee
Monday, May 3, 2021 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.
Register Here

NEW! Log-in2Learn with Sean J. Haley, Ph.D., MPH "State changes to alcohol availability during COVID-19: What can state/local public health departments do to protect communities’ health?"
Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center
Tuesday, May 4, 2021, 12:00 - 1:00 PM
Registration:
Step 1: Register for webinar here
Step 2: Please click the link below to join the webinar:
https://columbiacuimc.zoom.us/j/92857350697?pwd=NVJ4Z21ITkJheXpvRXNsMTluL3M5dz09
Passcode: 288531
Register Here

NEW! Systems in Focus Panel: Addressing Housing Crisis through Systems Alignment -- COVID-19 & Beyond
Sponsored by Systems for Action
Wednesday, May 5, 2021, 12-1pm
Register Here

NEW! A Student Perspective: Growing Academic Health Department Partnerships through Student Internship Programs
Sponsored by Public Health Foundation, Council on Linkages Between Academia and Public Health Practice
Wednesday, May 5, 2021, 2-3pm
Register Here

NEW! Behavioral Telehealth Solutions
Sponsored by Healthcare Association of New York State (HANYS)
Thursday, May 6, 2021 (10-11:30am)
Register Here

Hesitancy, Equity, and Transparency: Rolling out the COVID-19 Vaccine
Sponsored by Dialogue 4 Health
Thursday, May 6, 2021, 2-3pm
Register Here
phPIN Webinar: Documenting Innovations for Sustainable Progress Improvements during COVID-19
Sponsored by National Network of Public Health Institutes
Tuesday, May 11, 2021 3pm
Register Here

Frontiers of Social Innovation Conference, “People, Power, Resources: Enacting an Equitable Future”
Sponsored by Stanford Social Innovation Review
May 11-13, 2021
Register Here

The Housing Solution Summit: Practical Strategies and Inspirations for Addressing the Crisis in Housing Affordability
Sponsored by Population Health Learning Collaborative
May 12-13, 2021
Register Here

AMR in a Changed World: Building Resilient Systems for Today and Tomorrow
Sponsored by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Thursday, May 13, 2021, 9:30-10:30am
Register Here

The Impact of Covid-19 on the Public Health Workforce Series Part 2: Entering the Public Health Workforce During a Pandemic
Sponsored by Region V Public Health Training Center
Thursday, May 13, 2021 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Each webinar in the series will offer: 1.0 CHES Category I CECH
Free to enroll. CE and certificate available for $3
Save the date - registration opens soon!

NEW! Beyond Words – Strategies for Supporting Communication in Dementia
Sponsored by Alzheimer's Foundation of America
Thursday, May 13, 2021, 1-2pm
Register Here

NEW! Summer travel and COVID-19: Safety messaging that will inform and motivate
Sponsored by Public Health Communications Collaborative
Thursday, May 13, 2021, 1-2pm
Register Here

NEW! Treating Substance Users for HCV via Telemedicine: Implementation and Engagement Considerations
Sponsored by Clinical Directors Network Inc, (CDN) and the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute project on Patient-Centered HCV Care via Telemedicine for Individuals on Opiate Substitution Therapy
Wednesday, May 12, 2021, 12:00PM - 1:30PM
Register Here
NEW! Declaring Racism as a Public Health Crisis
Sponsored by County Health Rankings & Roadmaps and Mobilizing Action Toward Community Health
Tuesday, May 18, 2021, 3-4pm
Register Here

NEW! Addressing Systems for Health: Health Care, Public Health and Social Services
Sponsored by Systems for Action
Wednesday, May 19th, 12-1pm
Register Here

Emerging Lessons from COVID-19 III: Action Towards Equity Virtual Event
Sponsored by the National Network of Public Health Institutes
Wednesday, May 19th, 1-5pm
Register Here

NEW! Second Minority Health Council meeting of 2021
Sponsored by Minority Health Council
Friday, May 21, 2021, 9 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
There is no need to RSVP. Participation will occur by clicking on the following link: https://www.health.ny.gov/events/webcasts/

Congressional Briefing: Pain in the Nation: How High Rates of Suicide, Alcohol, and Overdose Deaths Require a Comprehensive Resiliency Strategy
Sponsored by Trust for America’s Health and Well Being Trust
Wednesday, May 19th, 1-2pm
Register Here

Newly OnDemand Recordings and Courses from January 2021 – NOW Available on the NYLearnsPH.com LMS

Implementing Performance Management Systems in Local Health Departments
Sponsored by New York State Association of County Health Officials (NYSACHO)
Recorded April 29, 2021
Enroll in LMS Course: NYSACHO-20210429

Log In 2 Learn: Breaking Through Public Health Bureaucracy: tools and tips to successfully navigate internal administration and processes
Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center
Recorded April 6, 2021
Enroll in LMS Course: Reg2PHTC-L2l202104

Addressing COVID Vaccination Rates in Underserved Communities - Data, Tools, and Supporting Information
Sponsored by American Public Health Association
Recorded April 16, 2021
Enroll in LMS Course: APHA-20210416
Meet the Partner Special Series: Saving Lives with Trauma Informed Care
Sponsored by Dialogue for Health
Recorded March 24, 2021
Enroll in LMS Course: PHI-202103

Creating a Learning Agenda for Systems Change: A Toolkit for Building an Adaptive Public Health Workforce
Sponsored by Region 4 Public Health Training Center
Enroll in LMS Course: Req4PHTC-202102

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center
Recorded March 2, 2021
Enroll in LMS Course: Req2PHTC-L2L202103

Region 2 PHTC-LogIn2Learn: Strategic Storytelling: Using Data to Tell a Story and Telling Stories with Data
Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center
Recorded February 2, 2021
Enroll in LMS Course: Req2PHTC-L2L202102

Region 2 PHTC-LogIn2Learn: Policy Making and Systems Thinking: Tools to help the public health workforce address challenging times
Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center
Recorded January 12, 2021 12-1pm
Enroll in LMS Course: Req2PHTC-L2L202101

The Vaccine Equity Task Force Fireside Chats
COVID-19 Vaccine Equity Task Force | COVID-19 Vaccine (ny.gov)
(Click on Fireside Chats in menu on left)
- Session 1: Building Trust
- Session 2: Staying Informed: Addressing Community Concerns about the COVID-19 Vaccine
- Session 3: Making Informed Decisions: Exploring the Historical Context and Science Behind the COVID-19 Vaccine
- Session 4: COVID-19 Vaccines: Taking a Closer Look
- Session 5: Overcoming COVID-19 Vaccine Skepticism: The Role of Faith Communities
- Session 6: The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine: A Conversation with Clinicians and Community Members
- Session 7: La vacuna COVID-19: movilizando a la comunidad latina
- Session 8: COVID-19 与疫苗：动员华人社区
- Session 9: COVID-19 Vaccine & Tribal Nations: Building Community Trust
- Session 10: COVID-19 Vaccines & the LGBTQ+ Community: Staying Informed
Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)

Want to learn about policy? Here are three Policy Courses designed to meet NYS Training Needs identified by PH-WINS

Introduction to Policy Analysis in Public Health **CDC-PolAnalysis**
The 90-minute *Introduction to Policy Analysis in Public Health* course, designed for public health practitioners, introduces the learner to the CDC policy process and provides specific instruction on the policy analysis component of the process. Instructional content will result in the learner having a better understanding of what policy analysis is, its use in proactively assessing policy options under consideration, and how it can contribute to public health’s role in policy.

Introduction to Policy Evaluation in Public Health **CDC-PolEval**
The two-hour online *Introduction to Policy Evaluation in Public Health* course, designed for public health practitioners, introduces the learner to the use of policy evaluation in public health and provides specific instruction on applying evaluation methods throughout a policy process. Instructional content describes what “policy evaluation” is and will enable the learner to have a better understanding of how to apply the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Evaluation Framework to conduct an evaluation of adopted policies that may impact public health.

Introduction to Economic Evaluation in Public Health **CDC-EconEval**
The one-hour *Introduction to Economic Evaluation in Public Health* course provides a broad overview of economic evaluation methods with illustrative examples from public health. It will help the learner understand and apply economic evaluation findings to their public health work.
Four NEW Courses from Region 2 Public Health Training Center
Strategic Skills Training Series

The Strategic Skills Training Series developed by the Region 2 PHTC aims to help prepare public health practitioners to develop the practices and competencies associated with being a Chief Health Strategist. The modules in this series use the community health improvement planning process to introduce you to the basics of the following four strategic skills areas. This first set of modules have been developed at an introductory level; the next parts of the series will build on these foundational modules.

Reg2PHTC-Systems Thinking - Strategic Skills Training Series: Introduction to Systems Thinking
Reg2PHTC-Persuasive Communication - Strategic Skills Training Series: Introduction to Persuasive Communication
Reg2PHTC-Change Management - Strategic Skills Training Series: Introduction to Change Management
Reg2PHTC-Childhood Obesity - A Systems Approach to Understanding Childhood Obesity
Reg2PHTC-Change - Change Management: How Leadership can Support Staff during Crises
Reg2PHTC-Collaboration - How To Assess Your Audience to Build Better Collaboration
Reg2PHTC-Policy Process - Strategic Skills Training Series: Introduction to Policy Engagement
Reg2PHTC-Systems - Problem Identification in the Policy Process and How Systems Thinking Fits In
Reg2PHTC-Marketing - Reducing Obesity and Diet-Related Diseases by Limiting Predatory Marketing of Unhealthy Food

Updated Data2Action Courses from Region 2 Public Health Training Center and the New York State Department of Health!

Reg2PHTC-Data2Action1 - Data-Based Decision-Making: Using Data to Intervene for Maternal and Child Health (Part One in a Series)
Reg2PHTC-Data2Action2 - Data-Based Decision-Making: Using Data to Intervene for Maternal and Child Health (Part Two in a Series)
## Heat and Health in New York State

Enroll in LMS: [NYSDOH-Climate1](#)  

“Heat and Health in New York State” is intended to educate social service providers and community leaders in preventing heat’s adverse health effects among vulnerable populations.

## WIC and Climate Change in New York State

Enroll in LMS: [NYSDOH-Climate2](#)  

“WIC and Climate Change in New York State” describes the impacts of climate change and what it may mean for WIC programs. Both courses provide evidence of the climate changing, how people may be affected, and resources or mitigation strategies in response to the changing climate.

## Climate Change and Public Health 101 - Northeast Edition

Enroll in LMS: [BRACE-Climate101](#)  

20 minute online course! This course focuses on the public health impacts from climate change that are of most concern to the Northeast and what local health departments can do to mitigate and prevent them.

## NYS Department of Health: Climate & Health Profile (Originally Aired March 30, 2016)

Enroll in LMS: [Reg2PHTC-Climate1](#)  

Presenter: Asante Shipp Hilts  
The webinar will describe the changing NYS climate, climate-related health impacts, vulnerable populations, methods for assessing vulnerability, challenges and opportunities, existing NYS initiatives and collaborations, and implementation of the NYSDOH Climate and Health Strategic Map.
2020 (Current) Versions of the Continuing Ed Programs (CEPs) for
· Public Health Educator (PHEd)
· Public Health Nurse 2 (PHN2)
· Supervising Public Health Nurse (SPHN)

- Designed specifically for PHEds, PHN2s and SPHNs working at NYS LHDs
- These CEPs replace outdated programs in need of update
- Increase awareness/knowledge of emerging issues important to PH practice
- Align with professional and PH competencies that staff may not have been exposed through their clinical education

- If you were enrolled in an earlier version of the PHEd2012, PHN22018 or SPHN2018 CEP?:
  - You will automatically be enrolled in the 2020 version(s) and all component courses by April 15th
  - 2020 CEPs share many component courses with earlier versions
  - Previous course completion status is honored, no need to retake courses.

- Participation in & completion of these CEP is completely voluntary at this time.

- Access by logging into your www.NYLearnsPH.com LMS account and go to My Courses > Current Programs.

- Need to Enroll?: https://www.nylearnsph.com/Public/Catalog/program.aspx

Questions?: Email edlearn@health.ny.gov or call 518-473-4223 and speak with Tom Reizes or Abbey Greenbaum.