

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH PERFORMANCE STANDARDS WORKSHOP: BUILDING LOCAL AND NATIONAL EXCELLENCE

to be held at

NEHA's 2008 Annual Educational Conference (AEC) & Exhibition

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Environmental health managers from state, tribal, and local environmental health programs are invited to participate in this workshop. By the end of the one-day, interactive workshop, participants will have developed an action plan to improve the capacity of their programs to perform the essential services of environmental public health as measured by the Environmental Public Health Performance Standards (EnvPHPS).

Before the workshop, participants will complete an assessment of the capacity of their agencies using the EnvPHPS tool (this will be sent to all participants) and send the results electronically to CDC, where they will be aggregated for use in the workshop. During the workshop, participants will analyze and prioritize their own agency capacity gaps, learn about resources and tools for improving each of the ten essential environmental health services, receive instruction in creating objectives and an evaluation plan, and develop an implementation plan to address one or more of their capacity gaps. Participants will also create a plan and timeline for ongoing capacity assessment and evaluation. Through the workshop, participants will become part of a national working group that will provide baseline data to CDC about the status of capacity in the nation's environmental health infrastructure, and provide feedback to CDC about the value of the standards and the efficacy of the instrument. CDC plans to begin nationwide implementation of the instrument in late 2008.

DATE: Saturday, June 21, 2008

TIME: 8:30am – 4:30pm

LOCATION: The Hilton Tucson El Conquistador Golf & Tennis Resort
Tucson, Arizona

as part of NEHA's AEC & Exhibition pre-conference program

PREREQUISITES: The workshop hosts invite a diverse cross-section of environmental health agencies that are interested in being early participants in a new national initiative. We are seeking those who will have some influence on their agency's ability to implement action plans and to follow up with future assessments. Participants must be willing to conduct a pre-workshop assessment of their agency using the EnvPHPS tool and to submit their results to CDC electronically in advance of the workshop. Participants must also be willing to implement a follow-up action plan to improve one or more of the ten essential services, to provide evaluation feedback on the tool and the process to CDC, and to conduct periodic re-assessments to measure change in agency capacity.

REGISTRATION: There is no charge for this training. Those interested in participating must submit an application for consideration. Participation will be limited to 25 people.

**COURSE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL THE
WORKSHOP HAS BEEN FILLED.**

Applications should be submitted to Kristen Kuhar at kkuhar@neha.org.

☞ Applicants will be notified of acceptance shortly after submission. ☞

Questions? Contact Kristen Kuhar at 303.756.9090, ext. 341 or kkuhar@neha.org.

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DRAFT COURSE OUTLINE

SATURDAY, JUNE 21 (8:30AM – 4:30PM)

8:30 – 9:00am	Welcome and introductions
9:00 – 9:15am	Background on the EnvPHPS Relationship to the National Public Health Performance Standards (NPHPS)
9:15 – 9:30am	Value of the EnvPHPS to environmental health programs
9:30 – 10:00am	Standards Tool Kit: Resources for each of the Ten Essential Services
10:00 – 10:15am	BREAK
10:15 – 10:30am	Results from the assessments and summary review
10:30 – 11:00am	Gap Analysis-Participants identify top three priority gaps
11:00 – 11:45am	Developing objectives and an evaluation plan
11:45am – 12:30pm	Lunch (on your own)
12:30 – 1:15pm	Participants draft objectives for top three priorities for the action plan
1:15 – 1:45pm	Small group feedback on draft objectives
1:45 – 2:45pm	Finalize the action plans with timelines and measures of success for at least two of the gaps
2:45 – 3:00pm	Break
3:00 – 3:45pm	Selected participants report back on action plans and timelines
3:45 – 4:15pm	The Future of the EnvPHPS, feedback, and next steps
4:15 – 4:30pm	Workshop evaluation

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