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THE NETWORK: TOWARD UNITY FOR HEALTH INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

*Celebration to Coincide with the CCPH/Network: TUFH international
conference this October in Atlanta*

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On October 5, the Network: Toward Unity for Health will celebrate its 25th anniversary with a brainstorming discussion about the organization's past and future, followed by a full social programme of culture, sports and dinner. Please plan to join us for the celebration and the conference that follows from October 6-10: "Overcoming Health Disparities: Global Experiences of Partnerships Between Communities, Health Services and Health Professional Schools," co-sponsored with Community-Campus Partnerships for Health.

The Network is a global association of individuals, groups, institutions and organisations committed to improving and maintaining health in the communities they have a mandate to serve. The history of the Network: TUFH begins when the World Health Organization (WHO) and the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund issued a declaration in 1978 that re-emphasized the need for health care at the primary level. This 'Alma Ata' declaration provided the foundation for the 'Health for All' strategy, subsequently developed by WHO.

This development made it clear that a shift in emphasis from hospital-based curative care towards community-oriented preventive and primary health care would also be necessary for the education of health professionals. With the support of the WHO and the Pan-American Health Organization, representatives of ten health professions educational institutions met in Kingston, Jamaica in 1979. They founded the 'Network of Community-Oriented Educational Institutions for Health Sciences'. Just before the turn of the century (1999), the organisation was renamed 'The Network: Community Partnerships for Health through Innovative Education, Service, and Research'. This name reflected the broader role health science institutions can play, through all three of their missions, in improving community health.

In 2001 The Network merged with the European Network for the Development of Multi-Professional Education in Health Sciences and in 2002 the Network amalgamated with WHO's 'Towards Unity For Health' (TUFH) project. The new organisation The Network: TUFH has created a platform to develop a continuum of innovation of health services and innovation of health professions education. To learn more about the Network, visit <http://www.the-networktufh.org>. For more detailed information about the celebration, please visit <http://www.the-networktufh.org/conference/default.asp?id=15&aid=15>. Learn more about the conference, and register today at: <http://www.the-networktufh.org/conference>.

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PRESS RELEASE ANNOUNCING PREVENTION RESEARCH CENTER GRANTEES COMING SOON

CDC Celebrates 20th Anniversary of the PRC Program

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will announce — through a press release dated September 15, 2004 — the results of the two-phase competition for the Prevention Research Center (PRC) Program's new five-year funding cycle. This announcement is the first step CDC will take in a series of activities, from September 2004 through at least April 2005, to acknowledge the program's 20-year history, raise awareness of the program, and draw attention to the broad effort of prevention research. Your participation in these activities will help make them successful. CDC is acknowledging the PRCs' 20-year anniversary with a program at the American Public Health Association (APHA) conference in Washington, DC, on Sunday, November 7, 2004, from 2:30-4:30 pm. (Washington Conference Center room 201).

There will not be a Message from our Executive Director in this issue because the staff are having a retreat!

MACY FOUNDATION GRANT TO EXPLORE NEW MODELS FOR DENTAL EDUCATION

The Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation has awarded a three-year, \$460,000 grant to the Center for Community Health Partnerships at Columbia University Medical Center to study the feasibility of changing the current system for educating dental students. The project will determine the support among dental educators, practitioners, and the larger community for new models of dental education and will assess the financial feasibility of these models.

Dental education is faced with serious financial and educational challenges because of declining public financial support and because of the need to incorporate important new scientific and technical knowledge into the curriculum. This grant will provide the resources needed to bring the leaders of American dentistry together to address these issues.

Howard Bailit, DMD, PhD and Allan Formicola, DDS, faculty in the Center for Community Health Partnerships at Columbia University Medical Center, will direct the project. Dr. Bailit is a research fellow and Dr. Allan Formicola is the vice dean for community health partnerships.

“The effectiveness of this nation’s oral health care system depends on having strong academic programs to educate dentists and to undertake the research needed to better prevent, diagnose, and treat oral diseases. We need to find approaches to educating dental students that are less costly, but at the same time will strengthen education and research programs,” noted Dr. Bailit.

Dr. Formicola stated that, “It is unrealistic to expect large increases in public funding to solve these problems. Further, the issue is not just money; dental schools need to restructure the educational system to meet the future needs of both students and society and to remain a research-based university discipline.”

Both Bailit and Formicola emphasized that the project will take into consideration some of the larger societal concerns with the dental care system - namely, large income disparities in access to oral health care and the lack of diversity in the dental workforce - in studying the potential feasibility of new educational models.

The Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation, located in New York City, is dedicated to improving the education and training of health professionals to better serve and improve the health of the public.

The Center for Community Health Partnerships is dedicated to supporting academic-community partnerships focused on improving equitable health care. It achieves its objectives by addressing health care problems of the uninsured and underinsured in northern Manhattan, providing primary medical and dental services to all ages in Harlem, with an emphasis on family medicine and senior citizen’s health needs, conducting research and developing community partnerships aimed at improving the health of Latinos and African-Americans, increasing the cultural competency of health care professionals, and by offering technical assistance to 15 dental schools to increase access to oral health care services and access to careers in dentistry for underrepresented minority students.

For more information on this grant, please email Tamara Cannon at tlc6@columbia.edu.

For more information on community-based models in dental education, please visit these websites:
<http://www.dentalpipeline.org> and <http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/servicelearningres.html#Dentistry>

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The program at APHA will include several components: comments by public health leaders on the program’s future, awards to PRCs for noteworthy contributions to public health, testimonials by two community members and one of the minority fellows, and statements of appreciation to people who have significantly advanced the program. After the formal part of the program, over an hour is allowed for interaction among attendees. In October the PRC Program office will have literature available that describes the program and its accomplishments. The information includes 2 booklets, a set of topic-specific fact sheets (e.g., aging, cancer, cardiovascular health), a statement on the program’s turning point, and others. To learn more about the PRC program, please visit <http://www.cdc.gov/prc>.

CCPH & THE NETWORK: TUFH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Join us for the international conference “Overcoming Health Disparities: Global Experiences from Partnerships Between Communities, Health Services and Health Professional Schools,” October 6 - 10, 2004- Atlanta, GA, USA.

***REGISTER TODAY** at <http://www.the-networktufh.org/conference/registration.asp>.

* **REGISTER NOW FOR A PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP** - When you register for the conference, make sure to register for one of the four pre-conference workshops being offered this year: Service-Learning as a Strategy for Addressing Health Disparities, Essentials of Community-Based Participatory Research, Effective Communication for Health and Getting an Article Published. Detailed descriptions on the pre-conference workshops can be found online at: <http://www.the-networktufh.org/conference/programme.asp?id=9&aid=9&type=1>.

***BE A CONFERENCE COSPONSOR OR EXHIBITOR**
Don't miss this opportunity to increase exposure to your programs, products and services. Over 700 health leaders from academic, clinical, and community settings in the United States and over 23 countries around the globe are expected to attend the conference!

Visit http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/pdf_files/Sponsorship%20Package1.pdf to learn more about exhibitor and co-sponsorship opportunities for your organization!

***CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS ARE NOW ON THE WEB** - Abstracts for mini-workshops (<http://www.the-networktufh.org/conference/programme.asp?id=51&type=1>) and story sessions (<http://www.the-networktufh.org/conference/programme.asp?id=55&type=1>) are now available on the conference website.

For more information about other upcoming events, see page 4 and visit <http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/conferences.html>.

CCPH LISTSERVS

CCPH moderates several listservs related to current CCPH projects and topics of interest to CCPH members. These electronic discussion groups are briefly described below. Please sign up for as many as interest you!

***COMMUNITY-BASED PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH** - created through a partnership between CCPH and the Wellesley Central Health Corporation to be a resource for sharing knowledge and experience and contribute to strengthening the field of CBPR. To join, go to: <https://mailman.u.washington.edu/mailman/listinfo/cbpr>

* **HEALTH INSTITUTIONS AS COMMUNITY ANCHORS** - created to share information and resources related to the multiple roles that health institutions serve as instruments of community and economic development. To sign up, send an e-mail to jenbr@u.washington.edu with the subject “Subscribe to Anchors listserv”

* **COMMUNITY-ENGAGED SCHOLARSHIP** - provides a venue for sharing information and resources concerning the academic review and reward system for health professional faculty involved in community-based participatory research, service-learning and other forms of “community-engaged scholarship.” To sign up, send an e-mail to jenbr@u.washington.edu with the subject “Subscribe to CES listserv”

CCPH MEMBER'S GUIDE TO THE 2004 APHA CONFERENCE

Now Available!!

Visit CCPH at the 2004 American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Conference taking place November 6-10, 2004 in Washington, DC. This year's conference theme, Public Health and the Environment, reflects the profound impact environmental factors have on the health of the public. Issues involving the quality of the air we breathe, the water we drink, the food we eat and how we can protect and preserve the environment, will be examined.

The **CCPH Member's Guide to the APHA Conference** can be downloaded at <http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/conferences.html>. The Guide is a “cheat sheet” of sessions on community-campus partnerships, community-based participatory research and service-learning. Visit CCPH at booth #746 and pick up our latest publications, program updates and membership information. For more information on the conference, see page 4.



SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

We welcome announcements, comments and questions from you! Please forward them to the PM Editor at ccphpm@u.washington.edu. Below are some simple submission guidelines:

- Please limit announcements and questions to not more than 150 words. As for articles and editorials, not more than 250 words;
- Provide the names of all authors, their current institutional affiliations and/or photos;
- Explain all abbreviations and unusual terms when first used.



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UPCOMING EVENTS!

CCPH SPONSORED EVENTS

For more event listings, see CCPH's website at <http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/conferences.html>

August 23-26, 2004: The Ryan White CARE Act 2004 Grantee Conference in Washington DC will convene more than 2,000 grantees representing clinics, hospitals, community-based organizations, city and state health departments, faith-based organizations, medical and dental schools and other HIV/AIDS service providers. CCPH executive director Sarena D. Seifer and CCPH Fellow Michelle Henshaw will facilitate a technical assistance meeting for grantees of the Community-Based Dental Partnership Program (CBDPP) on August 25, 2004. To learn more about CBDPP and CCPH's role, visit <http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/dentalpartnership.html>. To learn more about the conference, visit <http://www.psava.com/rwca2004/general.asp>.

October 6-10, 2004: CCPH and The Network: Toward Unity for Health are cosponsoring an International Conference: **Overcoming Health Disparities: Global Experiences from Partnerships Between Communities, Health Services and Health Professional Schools** in Atlanta, Georgia, USA that will replace our individual conferences for that year. By collaborating in these and other ways, we hope to strengthen the many wonderful partnerships already underway around the world, as well as to engage new individuals and organizations in this important work. For more information, visit <http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/nationalconference.html>. For more information on The Network, visit <http://www.the-networktufh.org/conference/>.

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OTHER EVENTS

September 9-10, 2004: **Rising Above the Clouds: Advancing the Asian American and Pacific Islander Tobacco Control Movement towards Social Justice** in Washington, DC. This year's conference will address advocacy and policy change to promote social justice and tobacco control for AAPI communities. To register go online at: http://www.appealforcommunities.org/pages/APPEAL_National_Conference49.php?project_id=49

• **23-25, 2004:** **The Invisible Child: Poverty in the Heartland: Implications for Educators** in New Concord, Ohio.

The conference will bring national attention to the effects of poverty on teaching and learning. The conference will bring researchers and practitioners together to better understand the culture and learning styles of children from poverty, to examine the challenges confronting teachers and students in rural America, and to share effective strategies for improving teaching and learning. Included in the conference will be presentations by nationally recognized experts on education and poverty. For more information, visit http://www.muskingum.edu/~graduate/Poverty_Conference.htm

• **24, 2004:** National Satellite Broadcast & Webcast: **First Things First: Defining Local Public Health Practice for Safer, Healthier Communities** at 2:00 pm Eastern Time. In recent years, public health practice has received unprecedented support and visibility, but there are also unprecedented expectations. Can everyone expect the same safeguards of health, regardless of the size or location of their community? For clarification, join this discussion of Public Health Solutions, that is working to create a local public health agency and is succeeding in meeting the expectations of a safer, healthier community. <http://www.publichealthgrandrounds.unc.edu/defining/about.htm>

• **28-Oct. 1, 2004:** **Fourth National Conference on Quality Health Care for Culturally Diverse Populations** in Washington, DC. The theme is "Integrating Community Needs into the National Health Agenda." <http://www.diversityrx.org/CCCONE/04/index.html>

• **27-28, 2004:** **Third Annual Patient Safety Research Conference: Making the Health Care System Safer** in Arlington, Virginia. For conference goals and details, please visit: <http://www.ahrq.gov/qual/ptsafconf.htm>.

• **28-Oct. 1, 2004:** **Communication, Cooperation, Coordination—Building Bridges in Public Health** in St. Paul, Minnesota. Sponsored by the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials and the Association of Public Health Laboratories. For information please visit <http://www.ASTHO.org>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Awards \$2 million for Programs to Reduce Stroke in Seven States HHS awarded the first grants under a new four-year initiative to reduce stroke and hypertension in seven Southeastern states with higher than average stroke death rates. For more on the initiative, administered by HHS' Office of Minority Health, visit <http://www.omhrc.gov/OMH/WhatsNew/2pgwhatsnew/special240.htm>.

Community Development Academy The University of Missouri Community Development Extension Program offers a series of three courses called the Community Development Academy. Each of the three courses is an intensive, experiential, five-day course that explores ideas and develops practical skills for effectively involving and empowering local citizens and leaders in community-based efforts. For more information, visit: <http://muconf.missouri.edu/CommDevelopmentAcademy>

Council on Graduate Medical Education (COGME) Recommends Expansion of Physician Workforce After an extended discussion and some minor modifications, the COGME July 28 endorsed the "Physician Workforce Policy Guidelines for the U.S. for 2000 - 2020." The report concludes that the nation is likely to face a significant shortage of physicians over the next 15 years and recommends an increase in the number of new physicians being educated and trained in the US. The complete story is at: <http://www.aamc.org/advocacy/library/washhigh/2004/080604/start.htm#2>. For more information about COGME, visit <http://www.cogme.gov/>.

Seeking Bi-lingual Trainers With Expertise in Service-Learning, Civic Engagement, Homeland Security and Domestic Preparedness The Community College National Center for Community Engagement is looking for trainers who are bi-lingual, speaking English and Spanish. For information, please contact Beverly Perry, Program Administrator, at 480-461-6124 or email: bevperry@mail.mc.maricopa.edu <http://www.mc.maricopa.edu/other/engagement/>

Call for Articles for the Journal for Civic Commitment The Community College National Center for Community Engagement is soliciting articles for issue #4 of the Journal, a twice-annual, on-line publication devoted to promoting service learning and civic engagement on our campuses and in our communities. Journal guidelines are available at: <http://www.mc.maricopa.edu/engagement/Journal>. Due date for article submission is September 17, 2004.

National Cancer Institute (NCI) seeks African American Family Caregivers for Focus Group on Cancer Issues They'd like to learn what people believe is important to include in materials, based on personal experience. To learn more and to participate, please call toll-free at: 1-888-249-0029. Participating in a study takes 1-2 hours.

GRANTS ALERT!

Arts in Healthcare Grants - Deadline: August 30 Johnson & Johnson, working in conjunction with the Society for the Arts in Healthcare, seeks to promote the use of the arts to enhance the healthcare experience for patients, their families, and caregivers. For details, visit: <http://www.thesah.org/grants/johnson.html>.

Native American Public Telecom Production Grant - Deadline: Sept. 1 The 2004 Open Call for Proposals for public television projects in the production, post-production or completion phase is now available. Project Priorities include quantity and quality of Native American participation, power of project to illuminate the Native American experience through public television. <http://www.nativetelecom.org/>

Safe Start: Promising Approaches for Children Exposed to Violence - Deadline: Sept. 10 This project will help local communities implement collaborative cross-agency strategies for effectively reducing the impact of childrens exposure to violence. For additional information, visit: <http://ojjdp.ncjrs.org/funding/FundingList.asp>.

Children's Environmental Health Grants - Deadline: Sept. 13 Grants are intended for community-based, parent/grandparent, and/or emerging groups working to prevent childhood lead poisoning and other children's environmental health hazards. For more information, visit: <http://www.communitytoolbox.org/grantmk.htm>.

International Science and Education Competitive Grants Program - Deadline: Sept. 13 The US Department of Agriculture's International Science and Education Competitive Grants Program supports research, extension, and teaching activities that will enhance the capabilities of American colleges and universities to conduct international collaborative research, extension and teaching. <http://www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/fundview.cfm?fonum=1240>

Rural Health Network Development Grant Program - Deadline: Sept. 20 The federal grant program supports the development of rural health networks. Grant funds are used to support activities that strengthen the organizational capabilities of these networks whose purpose is to overcome the fragmentation and vulnerability of providers in rural areas. <https://grants.hrsa.gov/webexternal/sfo.asp?Id=9EF321C2-C509-4741-BF46-1BCB1196DF5E>

Funding to Promote Reentry into Biomedical and Behavioral Research Careers - Deadline: Multiple Deadlines Annually This is a continuing program for administrative supplements to research grants to support individuals with high potential to reenter an active research career after taking time off to care for children or attend to other family responsibilities. <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-126.html>

CALLS FOR SUBMISSIONS

Call for Service-Learning Scholars, Focus on K-12 - Deadline: Sept. 10 The John Glenn Institute for Public Service and Public Policy at The Ohio State University recognizes scholars whose scholarship contributes to advancing the understanding of or adoption of service-learning, with specific emphasis on K-12 education. For more information, please visit: http://www.glenninstitute.org/glenn/scholars_index.asp.

Community Health Solutions Conference Call for Proposals - Deadline: Sept. 17 The national community health conference is going to be held March 3-5, 2005 in Tampa, Florida. The conference offers the highest quality education and peer networking for community health, community benefit and healthy communities professionals. For details, visit: <http://www.communityhlth.org/communityhlth/conference/annual.html>

Annual Awards from the Association of Teachers of Preventive Medicine (ATPM) - Deadline: Sept. 17 The ATPM asks you to consider an ATPM member who has made special and outstanding contributions to the field of preventive medicine and public health education, and nominate that individual or program for an award. For details, visit: <http://www.atpm.org/about/awards.HTM>

4th Cancer Culture and Literacy Institute - Deadline: Sept. 20 This National Cancer Institute funded program includes a five-day hands-on intensive learning experience in Tampa, Florida, January 8-13, 2005, as well as monthly continuing educational modules delivered via the Web, and mentoring experiences with nationally recognized scholars involved in this area of scientific inquiry. For details, visit: http://www.moffitt.usf.edu/Education/ccl_institute/index.asp

Award for Distinguished Teaching Scholars from the National Science Foundation - Deadline: Sept. 22 The award recognizes and rewards individuals who have contributed significantly to the scholarship of their discipline and to the education of students in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics, and exemplify the ability to integrate their research and educational activities. For additional information, visit: <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2004/nsf04594/nsf04594.htm>

Community Health Scholars Program (CHSP) - Deadline: Dec. 7 CHSP is a post-doctoral fellowship program designed to meet the growing needs of schools of public health and other health professions for faculty with community competency. This program enables scholars to develop and enhance skills in working with communities and engaging in community-based participatory research at institutions where these skills are present. <http://www.sph.umich.edu/chsp/>

PUBLICATIONS

August Issue of The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Word on Health, a free, uncopyrighted source of health information from the National Institutes of Health, has now been posted online at <http://www.nih.gov/news/WordonHealth/>.

Meeting the Workforce Development Needs of Community-Based Health Facilities: A Toolkit was recently completed by the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, with the support of the Annie E. Casey Foundation. The document provides tools to enable persons currently engaged in improving the health of our nation's low-income populations to use workforce development strategies to achieve this end more efficiently. The Toolkit is available at: <http://www.aecf.org/publications/browse.php?filter=9>.

Nation's Health At Risk: Part II is a new report that looks at trends affecting health centers: increases in the number of uninsured people, Medicaid cuts, and fewer primary care doctors for vulnerable populations. Published by The National Association of Community Health Centers. <http://www.nacch.com/press/nachcreport.asp>

Pocket Guide to Good Health Care for Children This nicely organized and clearly written guide provides information on: Doctors and nurses, checkups, tests, and immunizations, growth and development, your child in the world, a list of resource organizations, and checklists to keep track of immunizations, checkups, and the like. Developed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. <http://www.ahrq.gov/ppip/childguide/>

August 12, 2004 Issue of the New England Journal of Medicine, features an article titled, "The Future of Primary Care Medicine" by Michael Whitcomb, M.D., Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) senior vice president for medical education, and Jordan Cohen, M.D., AAMC president. In the article, they discuss possible reasons for the sharp decline in medical students' interest in primary care specialties since 1998. In their article, they suggest that the structure and design of the third- and fourth-year primary care clerkship experience may be one cause. Information: Go to <http://content.nejm.org>.

Series of Curricula Enhancement Modules are being completed by the National Center for Cultural Competence to assist faculty funded to incorporate cultural and linguistic competence throughout their curricula. The first module, on "cultural self-assessment" is now available. For more information, visit: <http://www.ncccurrucula.info/>.



MISSION: TO FOSTER PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN COMMUNITIES AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS THAT BUILD ON EACH OTHER'S STRENGTHS AND DEVELOP THEIR ROLES AS CHANGE AGENTS FOR IMPROVING HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION, CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY AND THE OVERALL HEALTH OF COMMUNITIES

