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COVID-19 Health Equity

TA BULLETIN

This monthly bulletin highlights upcoming technical assistance (TA) events, new resources, trainings, key milestones, and updates for OT21-2103 grant recipients as a part of the *National Initiative to Address COVID-19 Health Disparities Among Populations at High-Risk and Underserved, Including Racial and Ethnic Minority Populations and Rural Communities*. You can find a complete list of events under the Events tab on the COVID-19 Health Equity TA website [here](#).

UPCOMING
EVENTS



1:00 PM -
2:00 PM ET

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Hosted by Rural Institute for Inclusive Communities at the University of Montana

This webinar will feature presentations on including people with disability as a demographic in public health data collection and reporting, as well as healthy community and public health emergency preparedness planning. The following accessibility and language access will be provided: American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation, Spanish interpretation, and CART captioning in English and Spanish.

Partners, Policies and Practices: How Health Departments Can Collaborate on Inclusive Public Health Equity Efforts



1:00 PM -
2:00 PM ET

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Hosted by Rural Institute for Inclusive Communities at the University of Montana

This webinar explores strategies for fostering collaboration among health departments to promote inclusive public health equity initiatives, emphasizing the importance of partnerships[s], policies and best practices. The following accessibility and language access will be provided: American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation, Spanish interpretation, and CART captioning in English and Spanish.

“Inside Look”: Behind-the-Scenes Examination of the Procedures and Tools We Use to Develop, Conduct, and Evaluate an Accessible Webinar Series



1:00 PM -
2:00 PM ET

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Hosted by Rural Institute for Inclusive Communities at the University of Montana

This webinar will allow you to gain exclusive insights into the behind-the-scenes processes and tools utilized in developing, conducting, and evaluating an accessible webinar series. The following accessibility and language access will be provided: American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation, Spanish interpretation, and CART captioning in English and Spanish.

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UPCOMING
EVENTS CONT.



Project HOPE's Mental Health and Resiliency Training

10:00 AM -
12:00 PM ET

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Hosted by Project Hope

Join us to in this two-part didactic workshop series designed to equip any worker in the healthcare industry with effective strategies to recognize stress in the workplace, manage personal wellbeing, improve healthcare services and productivity, and create a more positive and resilient work environment! Course content is engaging and shared ideas and discussions with others are encouraged. Resources and certificate available upon course completion.



Novel and Emerging Practice Studies (NEPS): Disseminating Evaluation Studies from Phase 2 OT21-2103 Sites and Public Health Institutes

3:30 PM -
5:00 PM ET

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Hosted by National Network of Public Health Institutes

This webinar will feature three OT21-2103 recipients that implemented novel and emerging practices that were evaluated by public health institutes (PHIs) as a part of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Initiative to Address COVID-19 Health Disparities Among Populations at High-Risk and Underserved, Including Racial and Ethnic Minority Populations and Rural Communities. Novel and emerging practices are programs, policies, or services that don't have a large evidence-base; novel and emerging practices were newly adapted or implemented for the first time to address COVID-19 health disparities.



Data Sharing in Public Health

12:00 PM -
4:00 PM ET

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Hosted by The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO)

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) has engaged Scale Strategic Solutions and its team of collaborators to train the OT21-2103 recipients on approaches to data sharing for public health. This training will allow participants to learn data sharing principles and how to utilize tools to address data gaps and assess existing community data.

TA RESOURCES



Power of Partnerships Health Equity Alliance

ASTHO, CDC, and the National Association of State Offices of Minority Health (NASOMH)

ASTHO, CDC, and the National Association of State Offices of Minority Health (NASOMH) established the Power of Partnerships Health Equity Alliance, which includes state/local/territorial health department staff from offices of health equity/minority health, women's health, and maternal-child health, and their community partners from community-based organizations, non-governmental organizations, and trusted community leaders. OT21-2103 recipients are invited to **register for the July 10th virtual meeting**, which will bring government and community together to share insights and strategize around how to partner to address future emergency situations.

Key Learnings on the Impact of the Health Equity Zone on COVID-19 Response

Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) Rhode Island

This website tells the story of the Health Equity Zone, Rhode Island's place-based, resident-led approach to community health, and how that infrastructure impacted the State's ability to respond to the COVID-19 emergency. The site details the philosophy behind the strategy, what metrics were used to identify catchment areas, creation of the collaborative of partners, and the steps that were taken to elevate and prioritize resident input. The impact and response to the pandemic illustrate the importance of the strong community relationships and trusted partners and forged the way for community support. Lastly, the site includes a toolkit with steps and resources to take to begin a Health Equity Zone.

Burnout and Workplace Well-Being for Community Health Workers Presentation

ASTHO and Partners In Health

These slides include basic terms related to burnout and workplace well-being, outline factors that shape and influence burnout, and identify steps various players can take. They were developed for OT21-2103 recipients and are intended to support conversation and action planning to improve wellbeing in each of our workplaces.

Within the "notes" area on each slide, you will find facilitation notes that you can adapt if you would like to lead your teams through a conversation. We encourage you to pause frequently for individual reflection and discussion, and to deliver this training in person if possible. Finally, and most importantly: please adapt the terminology and examples to your setting, as there are so many rich examples and promising practices already in place in many of your workplaces or communities.

NACCHO'S Health Equity and Social Justice 2024 Regional Summit

NACCHO

REGISTRATION IS LIVE! Local Health Department Regional Summit: June 25th and 26th in Washington, D.C.

NACCHO will provide scholarships for up to 2 attendees from each LHD. Register **HERE** by **COB May 10th**.

The purpose of the 2024 Regional Summit is for OT21-2103 LHD recipients to learn, use, and leave with new tools, resources, and relationships to move their work forward and sustain their health equity work beyond the grant period.

Who should attend? The summit is geared toward local health department (LHD) recipient staff who work on the day-to-day project implementation and might not have been able to attend the March COVID-19 Health Disparities Grant Reverse Site Visit, or team members who would benefit from more hands-on TA.

Questions? Email Allie Halprin at ahalprin@naccho.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Virtual Community Discussion Board



OT21-2103 Virtual Community Discussion Board

NACCHO

Join the Discussion! Visit the Virtual Community Discussion Board to post your ideas, questions, and communicate on a regular basis with other recipients. You can also post and learn about peer-led events. All OT21-2103 recipients are invited to join this online group. If you did not receive the link and instructions from the NACCHO Membership Team, please contact Brianna Aldridge (baldrige@naccho.org) for assistance.

COVID-19 Health Equity RESOURCE LIBRARY



Browse a library of evidence-based practices related to COVID-19 health disparities to infuse best, promising, novel, and emerging practices into your work. Use filters by grant strategy, social determinants of health, priority population, and more to find evidence-based practices most relevant to your grant activities.

BROWSE EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES



Designing Data Dashboards Using a Health Equity Lens

ASTHO

Data dashboards are key tools used to summarize public health data and aid decision-making. ASTHO's new learning module aims to educate public health leaders on how to strategically plan and use these dashboards to present findings in an easy-to-understand format and promote health equity. Please use the link to navigate to the course homepage and click "Login". Then, sign in with your existing my.astho account details or follow the directions on the page to create an account.

Health Equity Self-Paced TRAINING OF THE MONTH



**LEARN MORE AND
TAKE THE TRAINING**

At-A-Glance TRAINING RECAP



This webinar was held in partnership with Well-being and Equity (WE) in the World and the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO). It will equip participants with practical tools to help public health collaborations understand where they are on their equity journeys and identify opportunities to shift the approach they are taking to create long-term change in their communities. Participants will be able to try out the self-assessments and be connected to resources to help them take action with their teams or collaborations.

COVID-19 Health Equity TA SITE



Browse technical assistance (TA) resources, trainings, and events at this one-stop-shop website for OT21-2103 grant recipients:

[**BROWSE TA RESOURCES**](#)

[**LEARN MORE AND VIEW THE COVID-19 HEALTH EQUITY TA COLLABORATIVE OVERVIEW**](#)



REQUEST TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The OT21-2103 TA Request System is available! Your agency's primary point(s) of contact (POC) have been trained on how to submit a TA request in the system. Work with your agency's POCs and your Project Officer to discuss your TA needs and submit a request in the system (agency POCs have access to the [TA request system here.](#)) For questions regarding access to the TA Request System including if your agency POC has changed and/or user access to the system needs to be removed/added, please contact your Project Officer.

This bulletin is compiled by the COVID-19 Health Equity TA Collaborative:



If you are a OT21-2103 recipient, please contact your Project Officer with any questions and use the TA Request System to submit any requests. For TA Resource questions, email: Tenesha Lewis at pheis@astho.org (State Team), Neyling Fajardo at nfajardo@astho.org (Island Support Team), Andrea Grenadier at agrenadier@naccho.org (Locals), Meghan Wolfe at mwolfe@nnphi.org (Best Practices), or CAPT Carolina Luna-Pinto at hjz1@cdc.gov (CDC OHE).

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