



PPHTC LISTSERV - PUBLIC HEALTH NEWS AND INFORMATION
JANUARY 2005

1. UPCOMING EVENTS

a. *International Conference on Occupational Health Services, Finland ; January, 2005*

International Conference on Occupational Health Services in 2005, scheduled for January 25-27, 2005, in Helsinki, Finland. The Conference celebrates the 60th anniversary of the Finnish Institute of Occupational Health (FIOH).
<http://www.ttl.fi/Internet/English/Information/International+meetings+and+symposia>

b. *Public Health GIS Conference – Berkley, CA; January , 2005*

The San Francisco Bay Region geospatial community organizes educational forum entitled “GIS in Public Health and Medicine” to provide education at Goldman School of Public Policy University of California, Berkley January 27, 2005 Visit www.baama.org for more information

c. *Building Science: Understanding and Controlling Moisture in Buildings, San Francisco, CA; February , 2005*

Register by January 14 and save \$50 for this popular AIHA moisture control road course: Building Science: Understanding and Controlling Moisture in Buildings taught by Hal Levin, Fellow, ASHRAE on February 14-16, 2005 at the Holiday Inn Fisherman's Wharf, San Francisco, CA. For full course details, visit www.aiha.org/ce.htm

d. *Infectious Diseases: A Course for Clinicians, Honolulu, HI; February , 2005*

The National Foundation for Infectious Diseases, the University of Hawaii, and the Cleveland Clinic Foundation announce clinical course entitled "Infectious Diseases: A Course for Clinicians" at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Resort in Honolulu, HI. Additional information is available at www.nfid.org .

e. *Chronic Disease Prevention and control, Atlanta GA; March , 2005*

The 19th National Conference on Chronic Disease Prevention and Control, “Health Disparities: Progress, Challenges, and Opportunities (Accelerating the rate of progress in improving lives), March 1-3, 2005, Atlanta GA. Visit <http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/conference>

f. *Healthy People 2005 Conference , Loma Linda , CA; March ,2005*

Healthy People 2005 Conference entitled “Lifestyle Science: Integrating Prevention and Intervention” is scheduled for March 8-10, 2005 will take place at Wong Kerlee International Conference Center, Loma Linda University. For more information and to register visit <http://www.llu.edu/llu/sph/cpe/healthy/2005hp.html>

g. *International Conference on Work Environment and Cardiovascular Diseases, Newport Beach, CA; March, 2005*

4th International Conference on Work Environment and Cardiovascular Diseases is scheduled in March 9-11, 2005, Newport Beach, California. For more information:

<http://www.coeh.uci.edu/icoh>

h. *Mathematical Modeling for 21st Century Public Health Practice, Palm Springs, CA; March, 2005*

Mathematical Modeling for 21st Century Public Health Practice conference is scheduled in March 9-10, 2005 at Palm Springs, CA. The goal of this conference is to bridge the knowledge gap between academicians/researchers and public health practitioners on the techniques, usefulness, and applicability of modeling with the long-term goal of improving bioterrorism response plans, exercises, & other public health plans. For more information and to register

<http://www.creativeeventsolutions.net/modeling>

i. *National Environmental Public Health Tracking Conference , Atlanta GA ; April , 2005*

National Environmental Public Health Tracking Conference: entitled "Vision to Reality," organized by CDC and other public health partners, will be held April 20-22, 2005, Atlanta GA. For more information

<http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/tracking/>

j. *Conference on Public Health and Disasters, Woodlands Hills, CA; May, 2005*

4th UCLA Conference on Public Health and Disasters, Warner Center Marriott, Woodland Hills, CA, May 1-4, 2005

<http://www.cphd.ucla.edu>

k. *National DHPE/CDC Conference, Minneapolis, MN; May , 2005*

The 23rd National DHPE/CDC Conference on Health Education and Health Promotion, with the title "Health Promotion and Education at the

Crossroads: New Public Health Directions," will be held at Hilton Hotel Minneapolis, MN May 25-27, 2005: For more information,

<http://www.dhpe.org/nationalconference>

l. *International Conference on Environmental Exposure and Health ,Atlanta, GA; October, 2005*

First International Conference on Environmental Exposure and Health 2005, October 5-7, 2005, Atlanta, GA

<http://www.ce.gatech.edu/research/MESL/EEH2005>

2. TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

a. *University of California Riverside Environmental Management Program – Winter 2005 Schedule*

The Environmental Management Program of University of California Riverside (UCR) Extension 2005 courses are open for enrolment in several disciplines including Hazardous Materials Management, Land Use and Environmental Planning, Water/Wastewater, and Workplace Health and Safety. For more information, visit <http://www.unex.ucr.edu/certificates/workplace-health.html> or email sciences@ucx.ucr.edu

b. *Public Health Training Network (PHTN) Web cast series*

Upcoming Public Health Training Network (PHTN) distance learning opportunities sponsored by CDC and other PHTN partners can be accessed <http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/PHTN/calendar.asp#future>

c. *Certificate in Health Geoinformatics (CHG), Loma Linda University School of Public Health*

Loma Linda University School of Public Health announces the addition of Certificate in Health Geoinformatics (CHG) to the existing Bachelor of Science in Public Health (BSPH) in Health Geographics. For more information, visit <http://www.llu.edu/llu/sph/geoinformatics/index.html>

**d. *Certificate in Maternal and Child Health,
University of Hawaii***

A certificate entitled "The Public Health Certificate in MCH Leadership" is developed by university of Hawaii to strengthen Maternal and Child Health (MCH). For more information about the program, <http://www.hawaii.edu/ogsas/mchcert.htm>

e. *Cal-OSHA Safety Courses*

A 2-day comprehensive California OSHA Safety Courses entitled, Essentials of Safety is scheduled at different locations through the American Safety Training, Inc., which provides the flexibility to attend the 30 hr program in 4 consecutive days or in 2-Day intervals at different course locations. CEU Credits apply for 14 hours for 2-Day, and 30 hours for 4-Day. For more information and to register, visit <http://www.trainosha.com/newtrainmonthrequest.asp>

**f. *PPHTC - Online Training in Food borne
Illness and Principles of Public Health***

Food borne Illness and the Principles of Public Health are online courses sponsored by the Pacific Public Health Training Center (PPHTC). Food Borne Illness course describes different contaminants, specific illnesses, and prevention techniques related to food borne illnesses. The principles of Public Health course provides an overview of the most important issues and topics related to public health departments and public health practice. To take the course (s) visit <http://www.pphtc.org/training/courselist.htm>

**g. *Online Executive Master of Public Health
degree in Public Health Practice, Loma
Linda University School of Public Health***

Loma Linda University School of Public Health has a new Online Executive Master of Public Health degree in Public Health Practice. The program is designed to meet the needs of practicing health professionals who desire to augment their current careers with additional information and skills. For more information, www.llu.edu/sphonline

3. PUBLIC HEALTH RESOURCES

a. *Public Health Education & Training*

A number of institutions that offer Education and Training programs in California and Hawaii including Universities, Colleges and others can be found at <http://www.pphtc.org/training/training.htm>

**b. *HRSA 2003 Area Resource File (ARF) CD
ROM***

Copies of the Access version of the HRSA 2003 Area Resource File (ARF) CD ROM are available for purchase. ARF is a database containing over 6,000 variables for each county in the US. ARF is used for health service research, health policy analysis, and other geographically based activities. See <http://www.arfsys.com>

**c. *California STD/HIV prevention Training
center: Online Chlamydia Training course***

California STD/HIV Prevention Training Center is designed to increase the knowledge of asymptomatic Chlamydia infection and the importance of screening young sexually active women. Contents of the course include screening guidelines, epidemiology , clinical aspects , sexual history taking and counseling, and diagnostic testing and clinical management of Chlamydia. CE credits apply. Visit for more information http://www.stdhivtraining.org/educ/training_module/index.html

**d. *CDC's Environmental Public Health
Tracking Program***

Environmental public health tracking is the ongoing data collection, integration, analysis, and interpretation of data about environmental hazards, exposure to environmental hazards, and human health effects potentially related to exposure to environmental hazards. For more information, visit <http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/tracking>

**e. *Online Geographic Data for Public Health:
Interactive Atlas of Reproductive Health***

The Interactive Atlas of Reproductive Health is an online geographic information system (GIS) dedicated to reproductive health issues such as infant mortality, fertility and low birth weight. For more information, visit

<http://www.cdc.gov/reproductivehealth/GISAtlas>

f. *Environmental Data Standards Council*

The Environmental Data Standards Council (EDSC or Council) develops environmental data standards to promote the exchange of information among States, Native American Tribes, and US EPA. <http://www.envdatastandards.net>

g. *Supercourse on Physical Activity and Health*

Two new courses on physical activity and health are now available (beta) for readers to review and use in their own instructional settings. These are: "Physical Activity & Health" and "Exercise and Health, an Olympic Ideal." The Supercourse has 10,300 faculty from 151 countries that created a Library of Lectures with more than 1400 lectures on the Internet with quality control, and cutting edge cognitive design.

<http://www.pitt.edu/~super1/index.htm>

**h. *Public Health Foundation (PHF), New
TrainingFinder***

Public Health Foundation (PHF) has launched a new online distance learning clearinghouse. For more information, visit

<http://www.train.org/DesktopShell.aspx>

**i. *American Industrial Hygiene Association
(AIHA) Continuing Education Programs***

AIHA's Continuing Education Programs 2005. To view program descriptions, schedule, and to register for events visit www.aiha.org/ce.htm

AIHA's updated 2005 TeleWeb Virtual Seminar Schedule:

<http://www.aiha.org/DistanceLearning/html/TeleWebSeries.html>

**h. *Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
(BRFSS)***

Division of Adult and Community Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, is pleased to announce the availability of "BRFSS Maps" on the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) website. BRFSS Web site will be able to create, save, and print state and MMSA level maps detailing a variety of health-related risk factors. For more information, <http://apps.nccd.cdc.gov/gisbrfss>

**i. *Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services
Administration Treatment Facility Locator***

This is a searchable directory of drug and alcohol treatment programs that show the location of facilities that treat alcoholism, alcohol abuse and drug abuse problems. The Locator includes more than 11,000 addiction treatment programs, including residential treatment centers, outpatient treatment programs, and hospital inpatient programs for drug addiction and alcoholism. Visit <http://www.samhsa.gov> for more information.

j. *Hawaii Health Portal*

Hawaii Health Portal provides links to health information for Hawaii. For more information <http://hawaiihealthportal.org>

k. *Nationwide Health Data*

The rural health policy research institute has launched a website that contains health data for public consumption. See <http://circ.rupri.org/index.asp>

4. GENERAL INFORMATION

**a. *Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
(AHRQ)***

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) invites grant applications for Building Evidence to Promote Bioterrorism and other Public Health Emergency Preparedness in Health Care Systems. <http://www.ahrq.gov>

b. *Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)*

HHS Secretary Thompson announced his intention to award 76 new health center grants totaling \$49 million that will help an estimated 488,000 Americans, including many without health insurance, to obtain comprehensive primary health care services; see <http://www.hrsa.gov>

c. *Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services*

The Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey (MCBS) is the only comprehensive source of health characteristics of the entire spectrum of Medicare beneficiaries. The MCBS Profiles series uses MCBS data to offer interesting insights into health care delivery. Visit <http://cms.hhs.gov>

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