



## Rocky Mountain Health Equity Academy

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Is your organization interested in applying for funds to address health disparities and achieve health equity?  
Then "The Academy" is for you!

Upon completing the Academy, you will have a draft grant application for the Office of Health Disparities program!

The Academy is financed by a grant from the Office of Health Disparities so there is no cost to participate. We will bring "The Academy" to your region to provide targeted training, technical assistance and support to community-based organizations (CBOs) wanting to develop proposals aimed at reducing disparities in cancer, cardiovascular diseases including diabetes or other precursors, and chronic pulmonary diseases.

Who can participate: If you are eligible for the Office of Health Disparities (OHD) grant program, then you are eligible for this training. The OHD grant program is intended for any person or organization (nonprofit, for-profit, governmental, private, public) representing healthcare, workplace, community settings, faith-based entities, health departments and other groups *effectively serving underserved populations*.

Joining the Academy will involve three phases:

- ◆ **Assessment:** this phase will require a few hours of interaction to develop your learning goals and identify appropriate tools. We will work closely with your CBO so we can target the training to your needs in one or two of the topics below:
  - Health Disparities Data In Your Region
  - Community Assessment
  - Cultural Competence
  - Program Evaluation and Evidence-Based Interventions
  - Grant writing
- ◆ **Workshop:** 1-day workshop in one or two of the topics above. We will work one-on-one on targeted electronic information resources as well as networking and developing collaborations to enhance your capacity in proposal development.
- ◆ **Consulting:** after the workshop, each CBO will work with the Academy and the AHEC partner to consult and finalize the product of their chosen modules.

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If you decide to join us, we ask that you:

- ◆ Sign an agreement committing to participate in all three phases of the Academy
- ◆ Assign one or two persons to participate in all three phases of the Academy
- ◆ Bring a portable computer with internet access (one computer per CBO) to the workshop

Tentative timelines for phase 2(workshop) of the trainings:

- ◆ November 2008 Western AHEC (must sign up by August 2008)
- ◆ January 2009 Central AHEC (must sign up by November 2008)
- ◆ April 2009 Centennial AHEC (must sign up by February 2009)
- ◆ October 2009 Central AHEC, Colorado Springs (must sign up by August 2009)
- ◆ January 2010 SLV AHEC (must sign up by November 2009)
- ◆ April 2010 SE AHEC (must sign up by February 2010)

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