

January 30, 2015

Dear Public Health Professional:

Public Health Professional Education at the University of Utah is hosting a special event: the **Public Health and Disasters Conference**. The conference will be held May 10 – 13, 2015, in Park City, Utah, at the Park City Marriott. This conference is part of the Public Health Professional Education series that is designed for members of public health agencies and organizations.

About the Conference:

Public Health and Disasters is a multidisciplinary national conference that brings together professionals from a variety of disciplines including academia, research, medical practice, and emergency response, as well as policy-makers from public health, community disaster preparedness, social science, government, media, and non-governmental organizations. Presentation topics include funding, collaboration, safety training, and working as a first responder. Plenary and breakout sessions will be hosted by professionals from California, Georgia, Utah, Washington, Brazil, and other locations.

Goals of the Conference:

The conference seeks to provide public health professionals with the opportunity to exchange ideas and concepts that will improve emergency public health preparedness in their local community and promote open dialogue between local health departments and agencies.

Attendees of the Conference:

Public Health and Disasters is designed for public health professionals and individuals from private and public organizations that may be involved in public health emergency preparedness and response. An array of diverse topics will be covered that are pertinent to public health and medical practitioners, emergency medical professionals, researchers, and managers who are involved in policy and implementation.

Conference Details:

Cost of attendance is \$589 before March 31 or \$649 after March 31, and includes:

- Evening reception with poster presentation
- Three breakfasts
- Two lunches
- Dinner and a disaster movie
- Folio of conference materials

Registration is available online at tinyurl.com/PH-Disasters-Register. Reservations at the Park City Marriott can be made at a group rate of \$110 per night by calling 1-800-234-9003 or you can find the registration link on the website: TinyUrl.com/UofU-PH-Disasters.

Continuing Education:

Application for continuing educational credits has been submitted for the following:

CHES/MCHES CE Credits

Application for CHES (entry-level) / MCHES (advanced-level) Category I continuing education contact hours (CECH) has been made to the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing (NCHEC).

CPH CE Credits

Up to 32 Certified in Public Health (CPH) continuing education credit hours have been approved by the National Board of Public Health Examiners (NBPHE).

NEHA CE Credits

Up to 15.5 continuing education credit hours have been approved by the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA).

Upcoming Events:

The Public Health Professional Education Program will be featuring an Emerging Leadership Workshop Series to provide up-and-coming leaders with essential skills needed to lead the next generation of public health in their communities. Additionally, there will be Core Public Health Professional Education programs determined by needs assessments to help you stay up to date with the ever-changing frontier of public health. Dates TBD.

For more information or questions about the event or hotel, please contact Julia Hurtado at publichealthexceed@utah.edu or 801-581-8858, or visit TinyUrl.com/UofU-PH-Disasters.

Abstract submission information is also available online. For more information or questions about the poster presentation, please contact Alison Kemp at alison.kemp@utah.edu.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you in May!



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