STUDY EXAMINES THE ROLE ACADEMICS CAN PLAY IN THE POLICY-MAKING PROCESS: Influence is indirect, political context and advocacy coalitions are critical

The question of the role of academics in the policy-making process continues to generate debate in both the academic and policy-making communities. On this subject, the Institute for Research in Public Policy (IRPP) has released a study by Daniel Cohn of Simon Fraser University in British Columbia, Canada.

Through an examination of the impact academics have had on areas such as environmental, social and economic policy Cohn reaches several conclusions:

- Academics have substantial opportunities to influence public policy but that this influence is usually indirect, and it is achieved by convincing those with power to advocate for and/or act on their ideas.
- The bridging role between the ultimate decision-makers in state organizations and academics is played by "third community" actors (also called "policy advisers") such as think tanks; the research staffs of government ministries; and political parties, commissions of inquiry and consultants. Research shows that when academics make the findings of their research accessible to policy advisers, either in the publications of third community organizations or by playing a more active role in the third community, they improve their chances of influencing public policy.
- One major barrier to academics' effective participation in the policy process and state actors ability to use their advice is the importance of context for state actors. Says Cohn, "Academics tend to minimize the importance of context: the answer is the answer regardless of how difficult it is to implement and regardless of the other demands of the state. For policy-makers, on the other hand, context will always be a key concern, so they are not looking so much for the answer as for an answer."
- Advocacy coalitions of individuals and organizations who share beliefs and seek to work in concert with one another are an essential element of Canadian policy making process. "The advantage of these coalitions is that academics can play a crucial role in their development while leaving the leading partisan and oppositional roles to third community actors, who are better able to fulfill them" says Cohn.

Jumping into the Political Fray: Academics and Policy-Making, by Daniel Cohn, is part of IRPP's Strengthening Canadian Democracy research program. It is now available on-line in PDF format on the Institute's website at www.irpp.org. Founded in 1972, IRPP is an independent, national, nonprofit organization based in Montreal.

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The journal is conducting an online survey to gather input from health professional students about their community initiatives. This survey will guide the journal in developing a planned national online registry of student-led, community projects.

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- Offer a public health in Baltimore course

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- Offer a community-based participatory research methods course
- Recruit and retain community-engaged faculty members
- Establish community-based participatory research and outreach center

In 2006, SPARC proposed a resolution to the JHSPH Student Assembly to call upon the administration to respond to the concerns of the student body regarding the school’s responsibility to become more engaged with the East Baltimore community. In proposing the resolution, SPARC acknowledged that “JHSPH supports many initiatives, at multiple levels, that contribute to the health of East Baltimore residents. These include the work of the JHU Urban Health Institute (UHI), faculty members’ community-based research and practice in East Baltimore, for-credit service learning opportunities, volunteer activities such as the student consulting service offered through SOURCE (Student Outreach Resource Center), and various courses that offer community involvement. However, current efforts are fragmented and therefore are not as effective as they could be. Students and East Baltimore residents are not represented on decision-making bodies that affect the wellbeing of the community. Further, there is no established infrastructure for communication among the JHSPH administration, students and East Baltimore residents about the school’s activities to improve the health of the surrounding community. The proposed resolution addresses these issues by providing concrete steps to increase coordination, representation, and communication, with the overall goal of adopting an institution-wide commitment to help improve the health of East Baltimore residents, through the development of a community-academic partnership characterized by equal representation, joint decision-making, capacity building in the community, and sustainability.”

In May 2006, the Student Assembly unanimously passed the resolution, the text of which appears below:

“RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT A GREATER INSTITUTIONAL COMMITMENT TO IMPROVING PUBLIC HEALTH IN EAST BALTIMORE

JHSPH is widely recognized as a leader in public health both domestically and internationally. Yet the East Baltimore neighborhood where the school is located is one of the least healthy in Baltimore City and the nation. The JHSPH student body recognizes that longstanding socioeconomic and political factors have contributed to the poor health of East Baltimore residents, and that JHSPH supports many activities that work to promote health in the community. However, our current efforts are not commensurate with the scope of the public health concerns. We believe that JHSPH has the resources and the social responsibility to undertake more visible and effective efforts to improve the health of its neighbors.

We therefore call upon the administration to adopt an institution-wide commitment to help improve the health of East Baltimore residents, by undertaking a process to build sustained, reciprocal community-academic partnerships, beginning with the following three steps:
1) Coordination – Create a strategic planning group to develop goals for how JHSPH can help to improve the health of East Baltimore residents, both by coordinating existing resources and by creating new resources.
2) Representation – Designate seats for JHSPH students and meaningful East Baltimore representatives on the proposed strategic planning group and on all existing JHSPH decision-making bodies that impact the health of East Baltimore residents.
3) Communication – Create a permanent infrastructure for continual communication among the administration, students, and East Baltimore residents about the school’s activities to improve the health of the East Baltimore community.

The Student Assembly will support the administration in implementing the above resolution through facilitating ongoing dialogue among students, administrators and East Baltimore residents.”

Although it is too early to tell what the full impact and ripple effects of these actions will be, SPARC has clearly succeeded in raising awareness and ”SPARC”ing dialogue among students, faculty and administrators. If you are involved in or aware of similar efforts underway at other colleges or universities, I would love to hear from you at sarena@u.washington.edu. One reason is to help inform student-led and student-focused programming at next year’s CCPH conference, April 11-14, 2007 in Toronto.

For more information about SPARC, including downloadable copies of the survey findings, report and resolution, visit http://www.jhsph.edu/source/sparc


For links to student service organizations and resources, visit http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/links.html#StudentService
**NEWS FROM CCPH**

**CCPH 9th Summer Service-Learning Institute**

**July 21-24, 2006**
Cascade Mountains of Washington State

**Registration is now closed**
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**Additional Information:**
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**SAVE THE DATE!**

**CCPH 10th Anniversary Conference**

**April 11-14, 2007**
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

**Start planning now to attend – See**
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**CBPR Workshops in Oregon**

**CCPH**, in partnership with The Northwest Health Foundation (NWHF), is pleased to co-sponsor four skills-building workshops in Oregon focused on community-based participatory research (CBPR) principles for researchers and community members/community advocates. These workshops will take place at the following dates and locations:

- August 11 – Portland, OR: Kaiser Permanente Town Hall Center, 3704 N. Interstate Ave, 8:00am - 5:00pm
- August 15 - Corvallis, OR: Corvallis-Benton County Public Library, 645 Monroe Ave., 8:00am-5:00pm
- September: La Grande, OR (date and location to be announced soon)
- September: Medford, OR (date and location to be announced soon)

Workshop participants will:
- Deepen their understanding of basic CBPR principles and strategies
- Learn the key steps involved in developing and sustaining CBPR partnerships
- Identify common challenges to effective CBPR partnerships and how to overcome them
- Share best practices and network with other researchers and potential community partners
- Learn about NWHF’s current CBPR funding opportunity.

There is no cost to attend, but space is limited and registration is required. Please register at: www.nwhf.org

Who should attend: Community members, representatives of community-based organizations, academic research and teaching faculty, public health officials, and policymakers interested in community and environmental health, social justice, and health disparities. For more information, please contact David Rebanal at 503-220-1955, or at rebanal@nwhf.org.

Stay on top of CBPR news and funding announcements! Join the free CBPR listserv today at http://mailman1.u.washington.edu/mailman/listinfo/cbpr
**CCPH CONSULTANCY NETWORK**

To arrange a customized workshop or consultation through the CCPH Consultancy Network, contact CCPH executive director Sarena Seifer at sarena@u.washington.edu or visit [http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/mentor.html](http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/mentor.html).

To view presentations and handouts from past CCPH Consultancy Network events, visit [http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/pastpresentations.html](http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/pastpresentations.html).

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- **Partners in Caring and Community: A Team Approach to Service-Learning in Nursing Education** - Regular Price: $25.00; CCPH Member Price: $15.00

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**MEMBERS IN ACTION**

Congratulations to **CCPH member Ingrid Sketris** who recently accepted the Anne and Neil McArthur research award presented by the St. Josephs Healthcare Foundation and McMaster University. Ingrid is the first pharmacist and the first female to receive this award. She is a Professor at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Each year the Anne and Neil McArthur research award is presented to an outstanding researcher in health sciences. This internationally recognized award also aims to encourage the brightest minds in Canada and throughout the world to pursue health research.

Learn more about Ingrid's work at [http://www.chsrf.ca/cadre/bio_sketris_e.php](http://www.chsrf.ca/cadre/bio_sketris_e.php)
UPCOMING EVENTS

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CCPH at Upcoming Events!

JULY 2006

› July 21-24, 2006 • CCPH’s 9th Summer Service-Learning Institute • Cascade Mountains, WA

The Service-Learning Institute is designed for both new and experienced service-learning practitioners (faculty, staff and community partners). National experts in service-learning -- health professional faculty who have incorporated service into their courses and community leaders who have developed service-learning partnerships with health professions schools – serve as Institute presenters and mentors. For more information, visit http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/servicelearning.html

Registration is now closed. To host a customized version of the institute, contact CCPH executive director Sarena Seifer at sarena@u.washington.edu

› July 27-30, 2006 • Canadian Community-Based Research Skill-Building Institute for Partnership Teams • Barrie, Ontario, Canada

This interactive skill-building institute will guide participants in initiating, developing, and sustaining community-based research (CBR) partnerships. CCPH Program Director, Kristine Wong, will be an institute mentor, along with CCPH board member Ella Greene-Moton, and CCPH members Robb Travers, Sarah Flicker and Hélène Grégoire.

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For more information, on the training curriculum and the Community-Institutional Partnerships for Prevention Research Group that developed it, please see http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/researchprojects.html#ExaminingCommunityPartnerships

For information and applications, please visit http://www.wellesleycentral.com/cbrinstitute.csp.

AUGUST 2006

› August 11, 2006 • Portland, OR and August 15, 2006 • Corvallis, OR • Workshops on Community-Based Participatory Research

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August 25-29, 2006 ● National Association of Community Health Centers Annual Conference ● Chicago, IL

CCPH member Vickie Ybarra and CCPH program director Kristine Wong are presenting during a session on “Getting Involved in Research: What Every Health Center Should Know” taking place on Monday August 28 from 2-4 pm. For more information on the conference, visit http://nachc-chi.com

SEPTEMBER 2006

September 9-14, 2006 ● The Network: Towards Unity for Health’s 2006 International Conference ● Ghent, Belgium

CCPH members are invited to attend this year’s conference on Improving Social Accountability in Education, Research and Service Delivery. CCPH administrative director Annika Sgambelluri will be exhibiting. Are you planning to attend the conference? If so, please let us know by emailing Annika at AnnikaLR@u.washington.edu. For more information on the conference, visit http://www.thenetworktufh.org/conference/.

September 19, 2006 ● Michigan State University Engaged Scholars Seminar Series ● East Lansing, MI

CCPH executive director Sarena Seifer is speaking about community-engaged scholarship (CES) and the work of the Community-Engaged Scholarship for Health Collaborative. Learn more about CES at http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/scholarship.html and the Collaborative at http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/healthcollab.html. For more information on the seminar series, email Julie Hagstrom at jhagstro@msu.edu

September 21, 2006 ● Loma Linda University Faculty Colloquium ● Loma Linda, CA

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September 26-27, 2006 ● Yale University Symposium on Community-Based Participatory Research ● New Haven, CT

CCPH executive director Sarena Seifer and CCPH consultants Carol Horowitz and Ann-Gel Palermo are speakers and consultants for a 2-day symposium on community-based participatory research (CBPR) hosted by the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program at Yale. For more information on CBPR, visit http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/commbas.html. For more information on the symposium, email Georgina Lucas at georgina.lucas@yale.edu

OCTOBER 2006

October 14-16, 2006 ● 6th International Service-Learning Research Conference ● Portland, OR

*Early-Bird Registration Ends July 15, 2006!* CCPH senior consultant, Sherril Gelmon is chairing the conference. The theme is “From Passion to Objectivity: International and Cross-Disciplinary Perspectives on Service-Learning Research.” Presentation proposals are due March 8, 2006. For details, visit http://www.upa.pdx.edu/SLResearch06
NOVEMBER 2006

- November 4-8, 2006 • 134th American Public Health Association Annual Meeting • Boston, Massachusetts

Registration is now open for the CBPR Continuing Education Institutes at APHA. Both are offered in partnership with the APHA Community-Based Public Health Caucus. You don’t need to register for the whole APHA conference to attend a continuing education institute. Details available at http://www.apha.org/meetings/index.htm.

Developing and Sustaining Partnerships for Community-Based Participatory Research will be held November 4 from 1:30-5:00 pm and is based on the training curriculum developed by the Examining Community-Institutional Partnerships for Prevention Research Group. For more info about the group, visit http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/pdf_files/Project%20Fact%20Sheet%20Apr%2006.pdf.

Community-Based Participatory Research: Working With Communities to Analyze Data and Get to Outcomes will be held November 5 from 8:00-11:30 am.

CCPH will also be co-hosting booth # 1220 in the exhibit hall with the Kellogg Health Scholars Program.

APRIL 2007

- April 11-14, 2007 • CCPH’s 10th Anniversary Conference • Toronto ON Canada

Save the Date! The call for conference session and poster proposals will be released this summer. Stay tuned for details at http://www.ccph.info

Start planning now to attend! Read helpful hints from CCPH executive director, Sarena Seifer, on ways you can plan now to attend – http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/PM_070706.html#MessageFromExecDirector

Registration is now open for our CCPH’s 9th conference, May 31-June 3, 2006 in Minneapolis, MN USA. For details, visit http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/conf-overview.html.

New Event Listings
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August 6-9, 2006 • 2006 Summer Inclusion Institute • Blue Mountain Lake, New York • Les@AdirondackArc.org


October 20-21, 2006 • Second National Housing and HIV/AIDS Research Summit • Baltimore, Maryland • http://www.nationalaidshousing.org/HousingandHIV-AIDSResearchSummit.htm

October 27-November 1, 2006 • Association of American Medical Colleges Annual Meeting • Seattle, Washington • http://www.aamc.org/annualmeeting

March 7-9, 2007 • Association for Community Health Improvement 4th National Conference • New Orleans, Louisiana • [http://www.communityhlth.org/communityhlth/conference/annual07.html](http://www.communityhlth.org/communityhlth/conference/annual07.html)

Harvard Macy Institute Professional Development Programs • Boston, Massachusetts • [http://www.harvardsmacy.org](http://www.harvardsmacy.org)

- January 14-24, 2007 • Program for Educators in the Health Professions
- March 18-23, 2007 • Program for Comprehensive Assessment in Health Science education
- May 20-25, 2007 • Program for Educators in the Health Professions
- June 17-22, 2007 • Program for Leading Innovations in Health Care & Education

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**AHRQ Seeks Nominations for Members of the US Preventive Services Task Force – Deadline: July 31**
The Agency for Health Care Research and Quality invites nominations of individuals qualified for two open positions to serve as members of the Task Force. Nominees are sought with expertise in prevention, research methodology, and experience in clinical primary care. [http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20061800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2006/06-5782.htm](http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20061800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2006/06-5782.htm)

**Liaison Committee on Medical Education Seeks Nominations for Public Member – Deadline: August 15**
The Committee is seeking nominations for a public member – someone who can bring a public perspective to the process of evaluating medical education. The LCME appoints two voting public members to its 17-person committee and is soliciting nominations for one vacancy. [http://www.lcme.org/publicmember.htm](http://www.lcme.org/publicmember.htm)

**Two New Research Reports Examine Medical Student Mistreatment**
The latest issue of the Association of American Medical Colleges Analysis in Brief examines recent trends in the reporting of medical student mistreatment. Between 2000 and 2004, the percentage of graduating medical students who indicated that they had personally experienced some type of mistreatment declined from 20 percent to 14 percent; initial results from the 2005 surveys suggest a continuation of the trend. A large percentage of the mistreatment reported was specifically classified as sexual mistreatment. Seventy percent of medical students who reported any kind of mistreatment did not inform a medical school faculty member or an administrative staff person. [http://www.aamc.org/data/aib/aibissues/aibvol6_no4.pdf](http://www.aamc.org/data/aib/aibissues/aibvol6_no4.pdf) A related article in this month's issue of Academic Medicine examines medical students' exposure to gender discrimination and sexual harassment: "Stories from the Field: Students' Descriptions of Gender Discrimination and Sexual Harassment During Medical School," by Florence M. Witte, M.A., Terry D. Stratton, Ph.D., and Lois Margaret Nora, M.D., J.D. [http://www.academicmedicine.org](http://www.academicmedicine.org)

**Report on Measuring Diversity in Medical Education**
The Association of American Medical Colleges has produced a new, free publication on diversity in medical education. "The Diversity Research Forum: Tools for Assessing and Measuring Diversity in Medical Education," provides a better understanding of how diversity is assessed and measured in education research and of how it may be measured in the future. The publication reports on the proceedings of a forum convened at the association's 2005 Annual Meeting. [http://www.aamc.org/publications](http://www.aamc.org/publications)

**Dr. Spero Manson Honored with Herbert W. Nickens Award**
Spero M. Manson, Ph.D., professor of psychiatry at the University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center, has been selected to receive the prestigious Herbert W. Nickens Award from the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), in recognition of his work to advance the health and welfare of American Indian and Alaska Native communities. Dr. Manson, who also directs the university's American Indian and Alaska Native Programs, will be the seventh recipient of the award, which is presented to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to promoting justice in medical education and health care. The award will be formally presented on Oct. 28, at the AAMC's Annual Meeting in Seattle,
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Social Science Analyst – Center for Delivery, Organization and Markets, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Rockville, MD – The Center for Delivery seeks a social science analyst who will contribute to Center programs and activities related to high-performance health care, specifically system design and payment strategies to encourage high quality and high efficiency. The incumbent will assist in the development of contract task orders, organize and monitor related work, collaborate with the Agency colleagues and key stakeholders, and serve as an Agency resource for related activities. For a copy of job announcement go to http://www.hhs.gov/careers/index.html and look for Vacancy Number HHS-AHRQ-2006-0076. For more information, contact Cynthia Palmer, Program Officer, IDSRN/ACTION Programs, tel: 301-427-1441 email: Cynthia.Palmer@ahrq.hhs.gov

Program Officer, Research & Evaluation – Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Princeton, NJ – The R&E strategy is to provide better information for better decision by highlighting lessons learned from RWJF investments and by providing a useful knowledge base designed to assist the efforts of colleagues in the health and health care policy fields. Reporting to the Vice President of R&E, the Program Officer’s responsibilities will include creating, developing, implementing and managing the research and evaluation aspects of the Foundation’s initiatives. For more information, contact Debra Joy Perez at dperez@rwjf.org

Research Associate – National Housing Institute, Montclair, NJ – The research associate will participate in the organization’s agenda to conduct research on national, state and local policy and practice in the areas of urban redevelopment, community development and neighborhood revitalization. Working under the supervision of NHI’s research director, the associate will play a key role in moving this agenda forward, working on research projects in a wide variety of areas and interacting with researchers, policymakers and community development practitioners across the nation. For more information, visit www.nhi.org.

Community Liaison and Associate Director Positions – Southeast Community Research Center, Atlanta, GA – The Community Liaison will work on the New Tools, New Visions (NTNV) Project, which engages four communities in Georgia to reduce health disparities. NTNV builds partnerships between communities and researchers-with a focus on communities of color and HBCUs (Historically Black Colleges and Universities). The Associate Director will divide her/his time between two primary task sets: Onsite management (65% FTE) and program coordination (35% FTE). Working with the Director, the successful applicant will combine effective organizational leadership with collaborative decision-making approaches and a commitment to community-centered practices to achieve social justice. For more information, visit http://www.cbpr.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=22&Itemid=37

Epidemiologist 2 – Connecticut Department of Public Health – Planning Branch, Hartford, CT – The Epidemiologist 2 will provide support to the Connecticut Health Disparities Project to fully implement the systematic analysis and reporting of health disparities in Connecticut and to develop a statewide infrastructure for improved public health surveillance of racial and ethnic subpopulations. http://www.das.state.ct.us/exam/bl_jobs_display.asp?F_Type=Jobs&F_ID=3477&F_Desc=EPIDEMIOLOGIST%202(Infectious/Chronic%20Diseases

Executive Director – Funders Committee for Civic Participation – Deadline: July 31 - The Executive Director provides leadership and direction to advance the Funders Committee for Civic Participations (FCCPs) mission and serves as a valued resource and an effective force in philanthropy. The Executive Director is responsible for the management and oversight of programs, committees, information resources, membership, communications, fundraising and financial systems, legal compliance, and human resources. http://www.gcir.org/
GRANTS ALERT!

Listed below are NEW announcements only. To view all previously listed grant alerts, please visit CCPH's FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES PAGE

NEW **Common Ground – Transforming Public Health Information Systems** – Deadline: Aug 15, 2006 – Funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Common Ground will support state and local public health agencies collaborating in redesigning business processes and in developing collaborative requirements definitions for information systems to strengthen public health agencies that will help to improve preparedness and chronic disease prevention and control.  
http://www.rwjf.org/global/email.jsp?id=731

NEW **Peer Reviewed Research Studies Program** – Deadline: Aug 15, 2006 – Infrastructure Canada, the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada and Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council are collaborating to support research on public infrastructure and communities issues through the program.  
http://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/research-recherche/rko/prrs/aboutprrs_e.shtml

NEW **Community-Based Job Training Grants** – Deadline: Aug 29, 2006 – Community Job Training Grants will be awarded through a competitive process to support workforce training for high-growth/high-demand industries through the national system of community and technical colleges.  
http://www.doleta.gov/sga/sga.cfm

NEW **NIH Behavioral and Social Research on Disasters and Health** - Deadline: Sept 5, 2006  
- The purpose of this announcement is to stimulate research in the behavioral and social sciences on the consequences of natural and man-made disasters on the health of children, the elderly and vulnerable groups, with an ultimate goal of preventing or mitigating harmful consequences.  

NEW **Seed Grant Summer 2006 Call in the Areas of: Urban Physical Environments and Health; Food Security and Urban Agriculture, and Neighborhoods and Health** - Deadline: Sept 29, 2006 - The Centre for Urban Health Initiatives (CUHI), funded by the Canadian Institute of Health Research, facilitates the development of high-quality, innovative, action-oriented research that investigates the effects of local physical and social environments on the health of urban residents.  
CUHI is committed to supporting research that privileges community input and/or whose outcomes have community and policy relevance.  To help fulfill this mandate, CUHI provides seed grants for pilot projects, literature reviews, testing of innovative methodologies and partnership building.  
http://www.cuhi.utoronto.ca/

NEW **Diabetes Research Centers** - Deadline: Dec 19, 2006 – The National Institutes of Health is seeking new and competing continuation applications for Diabetes Endocrinology Research Centers and Diabetes Research and Training Centers. Both types of centers are designed to support and enhance the national research effort in diabetes and related endocrine and metabolic diseases.  

NEW **NIH Translational Research for the Prevention and Control of Diabetes and Obesity** - Deadline: July 2, 2009 - The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, the National Institute of Nursing Research and the Office of Behavior and Social Sciences Research seek to develop cost effective and sustainable interventions that can be adopted in real world settings, for the prevention and control of diabetes and obesity.  
Funding for Community-Based Approaches to Improve Care for Vulnerable Populations – Deadline: Rolling – The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is accepting applications for its Fresh Ideas: Community-Based Approaches to Improve Care for Vulnerable Populations grant program. The purpose of this program is to promote community-based approaches to health and health care problems that interact with social problems.

http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=19480

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Listed below are announcements only. To view all previously listed announcements, please visit CCPH’s AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, & SCHOLARSHIPS PAGE

Institute of Medicine Anniversary Fellows Program – Deadline: Aug 1, 2006 – The program is an opportunity for early career health science scholars to participate in the work of the IOM and to further their careers as future leaders in the field.

http://www.iom.edu/?id=35583

Packer Policy Fellowships – Deadline: Aug 15, 2006 – Australian Government’s Department of Health and Ageing is accepting applications for its Australian-American health policy fellowship. An opportunity for mid-career US professionals to spend 10 months in Australia conducting original research and working with policy experts on issues important to both countries.

http://www.cmwf.org/fellowships/fellowships_show.htm?doc_id=372931&#doc372931

Society of Public Health Education (SOPHE) Award - Deadline: July 31, 2006 – SOPHE has announced the Call for Nominations for its 2006 Awards Program. Award recipients will be announce at the 2006 Annual Meeting, November 4, in Boston.

http://www.sophe.org/content/awards.asp

RWJF Health and Society Scholars Program Call for Applications - Deadline: Oct 13, 2006 - The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) issued a call for applications for its Health and Society Scholars Program, a two-year fellowship designed to build the nation’s capacity for research, leadership and action to address the broad range of factors affecting health.

http://www.healthandsocietyscholars.org/

CALLS FOR PAPERS & PRESENTATIONS

Listed below are announcements only. To view all previously listed announcements, please visit CCPH’s CALLS FOR PAPERS & PRESENTATIONS PAGE

Call for Sessions – 4th National Association for Community Health Improvement Conference – Deadline: Sept 1, 2006 – The conference will take place in New Orleans, LA, on March 7-9, 2007. This year’s topic tracks include: access to care, chronic disease prevention and management, community benefit, and community health assessment.

http://www.communityhlth.org/communityhlth/conference/annual07.html

Call for Submissions – Innovative Outreach Practices Report – Deadline: Sept 8, 2006 – Farmworker Health Services, Inc. is accepting submissions of innovative outreach practices for the 2007 edition of the report. The purpose of this report is to provide a vehicle for organizations to learn effective ways to increase farmworkers’ access to care, decrease health disparities, and deliver culturally and linguistically appropriate health care. All federal grantees serving farmworkers that submit an innovative outreach practice will automatically be considered for the Sister Cecilia B. Abhold Award for excellence in farmworker health outreach services.

http://www.farmworkerhealth.org/
Advancing the Healthy People 2010 Objectives Through Community-Based Education: A Curriculum Planning Guide

An essential resource for curriculum planning at all levels of health professional education. The guide features background readings, case studies, worksheets, handouts, resources and reflection questions.

CCPH Member Price - $45.00; Regular Price - $60.00

Ordering information:
http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/guide.html#PubOrderForm

Building Partnerships: Educating Health Professionals for the Communities They Serve

A study of a major initiative that is changing the course of medical education--the Community Partnerships, sponsored by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation. Rather than promote a single solution, Community Partnerships bridge the gap that exists between the culture of communities and the culture of academe by creating viable linking organizations to connect the two. This book also examines the role public policy plays in contributing to the current systems of health professions' education and how public policy can support change.

CCPH Members receive 15% on all Jossey-Bass books!

Ordering information:
http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/josseybass.html

Coming to Critical Engagement: An Autoethnographic Exploration

Engagement is the label increasingly embraced by higher education to describe activities associated with serving the public interest. What had been viewed previously as service to, extension of, and outreach from is now engagement with as faculty members, students, and staff collaborate with partners in community affairs. This book describes how members of a faculty learning community have come to understand engagement as both intellectual endeavor and scholarly practice at the interface between academy and citizenry. Coming to Critical Engagement argues that the academy has a moral imperative to participate deliberately and consistently in democratic and systemic discourse with the public.

$42-$62

Ordering information: http://www.univpress.com/

Learning Through Serving: A Student Guidebook for Service-Learning Across the Disciplines

This book begins by setting the context, explaining the differences between service and volunteerism and linking service-learning to the larger issues of citizenship and democracy. It then provides activities, exercises and other resources to develop students skills of reflection, teamwork and cultural competence; and to help them plan, work with community partners, exercise
leadership and manage change. The authors provide a framework for students to assess their progress and communicate final results to all stakeholders.

$19.95-$49.95


NEW & RENEWING MEMBERS

June 2006

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