Hey Community Engagers,

Remember, the mandatory Letter of Intent deadline for the CCTSI Community Engagement Pilot Grants RFA is Friday, August 26, 2011. This year, Letters of Intent are to be submitted online: http://cctsi.ucdenver.edu/Funding/Pages/CommunityEngagementPilots.aspx, then scroll down the page to click on the "Letter of Intent" button.

You won't want to miss the conversation on "Top Trends in Colorado Health Policy" presented by Michele Lueck, President and CEO of Colorado Health Institute, on September 7, 2011, Noon to 1:00pm, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, Education 2 North building, room P28-1303. Lunch provided. RSVP to: http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/degrees/health/REACH/SpeakSeries/IMPACT/CHIAHEC/Pages/form.aspx

An Immersion Training in Community Engagement Special Event: Book Reading & Signing with Ms. Helen Thorpe, author of the book Just Like Us (the true story of four Mexican girls coming of age in America), is being held on September 15, 2011, 11:45-1:15pm, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, Nighthorse Campbell Native Health Building, Shore Family Forum (room 110). Lunch provided. RSVP by 9/9/2011 to Linda Zittleman at 303-724-9716.

Do you have an interest in knowing more about CCTSI as a whole? Be sure to attend the CCTSI All-Staff meeting scheduled September 19, 2011, 7:45-11:00am (slight adjustment from the original Save The Date notice), at University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, Research 2 building, room 2100 (Trivisible room). RSVP to: http://cctsi.ucdenver.edu/Lists/Retreat/Registration.aspx?List=c89c43bc%2D5ed3%2D4c90%2Db5e4%2D2511adfd9e0a&RootFolder=%2FLists%2FRetreat&Source=http://cctsi.ucdenver.edu/Pages/StaffMeetingConfirmation.aspx

Registration is still open for the Engaging Communities in Education and Research "Building Partnerships" Conference at the Vail Marriott Resort & Spa in Vail, Colorado, on September 23-25, 2011. Space is limited, so be sure to register online at http://ahec.ucdenver.edu/ecer/ before 9/1/11.

Community-Campus Partnerships for Health presents "Supporting Faculty, Graduate Students & Post-Docs to Succeed as Community Engaged Scholars" at the American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting in Washington, DC, on October 30, 2011, 8:00-11:30am. Sarena Seifer, MD, who has consulted with our CCTSI PACT Education and Training
Committee, will be one of the speakers/facilitators. See attached flyer for more details (or go to http://www.apha.org/meetings/AnnualMeeting/).

Focus on PACT Communities - Rocky Mountain Prevention Research Center (RMPRC)
The Rocky Mountain Prevention Research Center (RMPRC), Colorado School of Public Health, University of Colorado, was established in 1998 and is one of 37 Prevention Research Centers in the United States funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The mission of the RMPRC is to advance healthy lifestyles and prevent chronic disease among residents and communities in the Rocky Mountain region by conducting, disseminating, and serving as a resource for community-based research and policy. The RMPRC is committed to conducting community-based participatory research focusing on the promotion of healthy lifestyles through school, family, and community-based interventions, and the translation of research into sustainable community-based programs. Primarily focusing its efforts in the San Luis Valley of southern Colorado, the University of Colorado Denver and community members began in the early 1980’s with studies to understand the occurrence and determinants of diabetes. More recently, the RMPRC has worked with local communities on projects including school and family-based interventions, surveillance, program evaluation, and the provision of training programs in evidence-based health promotion and community-based participatory research.

Have a great weekend!
Jack Westfall
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Learning Institute #2012 will provide faculty members, post-docs and graduate students who are committed to improving public health through community-engaged teaching and research with tools, tips & strategies for successful academic careers.

APHA charges a learning institute registration fee of $200.
Registration for the conference is not required to attend. See details at http://bit.ly/IMDcvq
Email programs@ccph.info with any questions about the learning institute content.

Speakers & Facilitators:

Lynn W. Blanchard, MPH, PhD, Director, Carolina Center for Public Service, UNC-Chapel Hill

Sherril B. Gelmon, DrPH, Professor of Public Health, Mark O. Hatfield School of Government, Portland State University

Janice Bowie, PhD, MPH, Associate Professor, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health & Associate Editor, CES4Health.info

Sarena D. Seifer, MD, Executive Director, Community-Campus Partnerships for Health