Hey Community Engagers,

Some upcoming activities/dates for your calendars:

**March 10** - "Advancing Advanced Directives," a presentation by Jennifer Ballentine, Life Quality Institute, of the Denver Hospice's Community Outreach Program. (The Denver Hospice is a community partner of two CCTSI Community Engagement pilot grants, in 2009 and 2010.) Noon-1:00 p.m., University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, Education 2 North Building, Room 2301. Snacks provided. Hosted by Anschutz Medical Campus Office of Diversity and Inclusion and the Diversity & Health Care Student Academic Community.

**March 17** - "Children of Adam," Kaiser Permanente's newest Diversity and Health Film, 7:00-8:00 p.m., Russell Pavilion, St. Joseph Exempla Hospital, Ranier Auditorium, 2nd Floor, 1900 Lafayette St., Denver. Refreshments provided 6:30-7:00pm. Free event. RSVP to Tina Martelon, 303-614-1522, Tina.M.Martelon@kp.org.

**March 18** - "Connecting Health Education to Service - A Comprehensive Networking Event," sponsored by Colorado Community Health Network, Colorado Rural Health Center, and Colorado AHEC Program, is a forum for faculty, students, and safety-net clinic staff to network and learn about clinical placements and/or career opportunities that make a difference in Colorado. Keynote speaker: Dr. Tillman Farley, Salud Family Health Centers (Salud also is the community partner of two CCTSI Community Engagement pilot grants awarded in 2009 and 2011). Food and drink provided. Free! 3:00-5:00 p.m., University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, 13001 E. 17th Place, Aurora, Education 2 Building, Bridge Room. For questions or information, contact Tanah Wagenseller, CCHN, 303-861-5165 ext. 241, tanah@cchn.org.

**April 14** - Community Engagement Open House and Poster Session, 5:00-8:00 p.m., University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, 12700 East 19th Avenue, Aurora, Research 2 Building, Trivisible Room, #2100. Hosted by PACT and CCTSI Community Engagement and Research Core. Refreshments provided. Networking opportunity for community-based organizations and academic researchers as well as celebrating and sharing the progress and successes in community engagement and community-based participatory research. RSVP online by April 1, 2011: http://tinyurl.com/PACTOpenHouse.
Interested in learning essential GIS (Geographic Information System) skills? New Urban Research is offering two new versions of their GIS Essentials™ Workshop—one version is a live one-day workshop in Denver on **April 15, 2011**, and the other version is a series of tele-classes on Mondays and Wednesdays in **March 2011**. For more info/registration: [http://www.nur-online.com](http://www.nur-online.com).

A noteworthy issue brief, using 2008-09 Colorado Household Survey data, on the Colorado Health Institute Web site states..."Approximately 14 percent of Coloradans do not have health insurance. Analysis of data shows that the reasons Coloradans cited for lacking health insurance varied by demographic and employment-related factors, but overwhelmingly the number one reason was cost. This issue brief discusses CHI’s findings and how recent state and federal health care reforms might mitigate these factors."

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Have a great weekend!

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