

Announcing PDP's 2010 Events!



The Rocky Mountain Center Professional Development Partnership (PDP) team is excited to announce new professional development learning opportunities for our 801 partners in 2010. PDP will offer two intensive skill-building workshops for CSH teams (in March 2010) and HIV teams (in May 2010). Sites will be selected by CDC/DASH management and project officers and invited to attend.

What selected teams can expect:

- 2 ½ days of intensive skill building on a specific PD process that is aligned with meeting SLIMs.
- Limited workshop size allowing for individualized attention.
- A team approach.
- Follow-up support from PDP after the event.

Skill-Building Session Topic/Dates:

Coordinated School Health Programs

- Effective Meeting Management and Facilitation Skill-Building.
- March 9-11, 2010 at the Westin Buckhead in Atlanta, Georgia.

HIV Programs

- Reaching the Adult Learner.
- Week of May 3, 2010 at the Omni Hotel in Broomfield, Colorado.

What process and criteria will be used to select sites?

In order to provide an intensive topic-specific PD experience, CDC/DASH will be inviting a select few funded partners to attend the skill-building events. Invitations will be offered to funded partners demonstrating a high level of readiness with a strong need for the intensive skill building.

High readiness indicators:

- Site staff have selected SLIMs that align with the skill-building topic (as determined by DASH);
- Site workplan demonstrates a need for skill-building related to the training topic;
- PD Coordinator demonstrates follow-through on commitments, meets deadlines, shows willingness to implement new ideas, and works as a team player;
- Site staff commit to participating fully in the pre-work, the event, and all follow-up support provided by PDP after the event;
- Site staff have funds available in their budget for travel to PD events;
- Site has no anticipated staff turnover within 9 months of the event; and
- Site has no out-of-state travel restrictions.

Partners may wish to contact project officers if they are interested in attending one of these events and are committed to taking part in the full process (pre-work, event, follow-up support). CDC/DASH will make the final recommendations on which sites will be invited to attend the events.

What should I include in my Year 3 budget?

CSH or HIV PD coordinators invited to attend a skill-building event will need to cover the cost of travel, lodging, and per diem expenses for themselves and their team members. PDP will cover all other conference expenses (including materials, meeting rooms, networking sessions).

What about the PDP Institute?

The PDP Institute will continue to be offered in alternate years of the PDP contract (Spring of 2011 and 2013). The next Institute is tentatively scheduled for May 2011 at the Omni Hotel in Broomfield, Colorado!

What about PD events for partners not included in these events?

PDP has not forgotten you! The PDP team is committed to providing technical assistance to all funded partners. Please contact us to discuss how we can be of assistance. A PDP team member can be reached at 303-867-9118 or at pdpteam@rmc.org. Please mark your calendars to attend the next PDP Institute, Spring 2011.

With all of these changes, can I still apply for a TA Visit this year?

General TA Visits will not be available during PDP's Year 2 (Fall 2009-2010) contract. We anticipate general technical assistance visits will be available during the PDP Year Three contract period, beginning Fall 2010.

Questions? Contact PDP at pdpteam@rmc.org