



2015 American Public Health Association Annual Meeting – Navigating the Seas of Public Health Workforce Development: What Every Practitioner and Academic Needs to Know

Session Description

Confused about all of the public health workforce development studies and frameworks being discussed to help prioritize and guide public health workforce development activities? Been using the Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals (Core Competencies) as you prepare for health department accreditation or develop training for the public health workforce, and you don't understand how all of the new initiatives relate? Wondering how the *Framing the Future* critical content areas, the draft foundational skills and content proposed by the Council on Education for Public Health, the cross-cutting workforce development skills being suggested by the National Consortium for Public Health Workforce Development, and other initiatives all fit together? Not sure if these are complementary or competing initiatives? Learn how these multiple initiatives are indeed aligning and contributing to developing an even stronger public health workforce for the future. Hear from national experts about these initiatives. Explore with colleagues where there's clarity and confusion? Ask and get answers to what's been on your mind. This interactive session will provide ample opportunity for questions, answers, discussion, and suggestions.

Objectives:

1. Describe the Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals (Core Competencies).
2. Discuss three public health workforce development initiatives that build upon the Core Competencies.
3. Explain how the various public health workforce development initiatives build upon one another.
4. Discuss how the Core Competencies are being used by public health agencies and academic institutions for workforce development.