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Training Resources

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Please Do....

- » Keep on sending us information on any cross-sector collaborative projects you may be engaged in. We will feature your projects in our monthly newsletters. Requested information includes:
 - Project title
 - Lead organization & collaborators/sectors you are collaborating with
 - Project information: goals, objectives, activities
 - Contact information of project coordinator
 - Project web-link if available
- » Please send your project info to deniseatsac@gmail.com.

Call to Action!

- » Creating safe routes to school helps children build physical activity into their everyday lives!
- » Click [here](#) to educate your transportation leaders about why having safe routes to school matters to public health!

Project of the Month:

Crimeless Revocations Health Impact Assessment. Health Impacts of Reforming Policies on Technical Violations in Wisconsin

- » ***The Collaboration:*** This HIA is a collaborative effort between [WISDOM](#), [Human Impact Partners](#), researchers from various institutions, individuals representing agencies, formerly incarcerated individuals involved in EXPO (EX-Prisoners Organizing), grassroots groups and the families they organize, and other public health leaders engaged in [Thrive Wisconsin Health Equity Alliance](#). WISDOM and Human Impact Partners will lead this HIA in collaboration with these individuals and organizations as part of a Core Team and Advisory Committee.
- » ***Goals:*** The overarching goal of this HIA is to study the potential impacts of a proposed change in policy concerning crimeless revocations on the health and wellbeing of adults, families, and communities. This HIA will also offer recommendations that may be incorporated into the Wisconsin Department of Corrections' practice and policy.
- » ***Current Context:*** More than 4,000 people in Wisconsin re-enter prison each year because of revocations, which include sending a person that is on parole or probation, to prison again because of technical violations as opposed to new convictions. Violations of parole or probation can include such things as: accepting a job offer, unauthorized computer or cell phone use, crossing county lines, missed appointments, or a failed drug test. With Wisconsin's high recidivism rate, the Department of Corrections will require an estimated \$2.5 billion by 2019.
- » ***Health Impacts:*** In addition to the financial costs to the state, the collective time that individuals spent re-incarcerated or being held while awaiting revocation decisions has a shared human cost to our communities and affects an array of factors that shape health. Incarceration is a public health problem with widespread negative health effects on individuals, communities and populations. Incarcerated individuals have a higher likelihood of experiencing chronic illness (e.g., asthma, arthritis, hypertension); these impacts are compounded in the event of multiple incarcerations. For children, incarceration of a parent can increase risk of neglect or abuse, delinquency, and poor academic performance. Incarceration also represents a powerful negative set of social determinants of health of families and communities by eroding social connectedness and family structure, and by diminishing opportunities and access to education, employment, and housing, which are all strong determinants of health outcomes and health disparities.
- » ***An opportunity for improvement:*** This HIA forms part of a larger project namely the ***"From Punishment to Restoration: Reimagining Criminal Justice to Improve the Health of Wisconsin's Families and Communities"***. This overarching project will focus specifically on changes in re-entry processes, or when individuals must reintegrate into society socially, emotionally, economically, and psychologically. In the short term - the project aims to build sustainable leadership capacity and increased civic engagement of previously incarcerated individuals. This will be

WPHA/ WALHDAB Conference 2016

» Do not forget to register for the upcoming WPHA/ WALHDAB 2016 conference, which is being held on May 24th -26th at the Radisson Paper Valley hotel in Appleton WI. This year's conference theme is "Navigating Ethics – You have the Right, but is it Right". Conference sessions address the ethical dimensions of laws and policies, balancing individual rights and at the same time protecting community health, and the application of ethical principles as a means to support health equity. Three pre-conference sessions are also being provided on May 24th as follows:

- Data to Action: Getting Your Data Off the Shelf and Into the Community
- Wisconsin Health Improvement Planning Process (WI-HIPP)
- Public Health Preparedness from Anthrax to Zika a Refresher on Preparedness and Response

- » The WPHA Climate and Health committee shall meet at the conference on Thursday May 26th at 7.00 am - 8.00 am.
- » WPHA HIA/HiAP section shall be holding a section meeting at the conference on Wednesday May 25th from 7.00pm -8.00pm.
- » To Register for the WPHA/ WALHDAB 2016 conference, click [here](#)

Project of the Month cont. ...

achieved through leadership training, development of teams, and individual mentoring through the expansion of the organization EXPO. Civic engagement in one's community is associated with higher levels of key social determinants of health such as social support, social cohesion, sense of community, positive images of self and identity, and other dimensions of well-being. In the long term - the project aims to set the stage for sustainable positive policy, system and environmental change related to community reentry and crimeless parole revocations of previously incarcerated individuals, which shall be achieved through the HIA.

» **Timeline and funding:** The HIA will be conducted between March and December 2016. Funding for this HIA is being provided by the [Wisconsin Partnership Program](#) and the [W.K. Kellogg Foundation](#).

» To learn more about this HIA as well as the "From Punishment to Restoration" project, please contact please contact **Victoria Faust** at vnfaust@wisc.edu

Upcoming Webinar: *Walk Friendly Communities: Inspiring and Celebrating Your City's Vision for Walkable Streets*

» This webinar forms part of the Livable Community Series, which is being hosted by the Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center. The webinar which will be broadcasted on 5/18/2016 at 2pm EST, shall take an in-depth look at the Walk Friendly Communities assessment tool. Please click [here](#) for further information on this webinar.

Mayors' Challenge for Safer People, Safer Streets

» This Nationwide call to action is open to all Mayors and other elected city officials. It encourages the formation of local action teams to advance street safety and accessibility goals. The challenge activities include:

- Take a Complete Streets approach
- Identify and address barriers to make streets safe and convenient for all road users, including people of all ages and abilities and those using assistive mobility devices
- Gather and track biking and walking data
- Use designs that are appropriate to the context of the street and its uses
- Take advantage of opportunities to create and complete ped-bike networks through maintenance
- Improve walking and biking safety laws and regulations
- Educate and enforce proper road use behavior by all

» To learn more about this initiative, click [here](#).

May is Melanoma/Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention Month!

» Check out the associated toolkit provided by the US Department of Health and Human Services, by clicking [here](#).

Have you visited our LinkedIn group yet?

- » View directions on how to access or become a member of the group via the monthly HIA Buzz. (Link works best with Chrome or current version of Internet Explorer.)
- » Start discussions about the latest HIA/HiAP news happening in Wisconsin. (Members are encouraged to post or contribute to a discussion at least once every quarter.)
- » Read timely articles posted by WPHA HIA/HiAP Section Members.

