

The Center for Public Health Initiatives and The Philadelphia Immigration Project present

**ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION on the HEALTH of IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES in PHILADELPHIA**

Amado Conference Room, Irvine Auditorium

Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> 2009

9:00am to 2:00pm

**DRAFT AGENDA**

The roundtable discussion on the health of immigrant communities will be an event at which best practices in improving immigrant health will be shared, success and challenges in addressing health issues across ethnic groups will be discussed and new initiatives pertinent to immigrant communities in Philadelphia will be developed. Come share information about your program and needs, learn about what others are doing and network with leaders in the immigrant health community! All are invited to attend and share their perspectives on how to improve the health and well-being of immigrant communities in the City and surrounding areas.

Key Objectives:

1. Share best practices and lessons learned in public health promotion and healthcare access across immigrant groups in Philadelphia;
2. Increase networking opportunities for those addressing immigrant health within the Philadelphia area;
3. Identify common projects that would be of use across immigrant groups in Philadelphia;
4. Determine whether an ongoing immigrant health working group would be a useful forum to address key common projects identified as well as promote ongoing networking and sharing of best practices.

9:00-9:15am	Opening Remarks (Nan Feyler)
9:15-9:30am	Overview of Day & Intro to Phila. Immigration (Domenic Vitiello)
9:30-10:15am	Panel Discussion I (focus on case studies of initiatives) (Domenic) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Drexel's Chinatown Clinic: (Vincent Zarro)</li><li>• Southeast Asian Health Initiatives (Giang Nguyen and representative from SEAMAAC): Our Stories, Our Health</li><li>• Magatte Dia and Dr. Helena Kwakwa: Philadelphia Health Department, African and Caribbean Communities Affairs initiatives</li></ul>
10:15-10:25am	Break
10:25-11:00am	Panel Discussion II: Recent initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jefferson Refugee Health Center: Marc Altshuler and Juliane Ramic from NSC</li><li>• Puentes de Salud: Steve Larson: Community Health Workers Addressing Cervical Cancer Prevention in Latina population</li></ul>
11:00-12:00pm	Moderated & Open Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Moderated questions:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Challenges faced in research &amp; practice</li><li>○ City health policy/practice - &amp; roles of private/nonprofit</li><li>○ Opportunities for research &amp; practice</li></ul></li><li>• Questions &amp; comments – first panelists invited to ask each other questions; then open up to the audience</li></ul>
12:00-1:15pm	Lunch and Small Group Discussions (with a moderator & a note taker) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Legal Services</li><li>• Cultural Competency</li><li>• Refugee Communities</li><li>• Health in Undocumented Communities</li><li>• Care challenges in the HIV positive immigrant population</li><li>• Women's Health</li><li>• Violence against immigrants</li></ul>
1:15-2:00pm	Report Out and Closing

**Event Sponsors:** The City of Philadelphia Department of Public Health; Mayor's Office on Multi-Cultural Affairs; Metropolis International; Nationalities Service Center; Penn Institute for Urban Research; The Thomas Jefferson Center for Refugee Health