



RIHEL ADVANCED LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM SELECTED PROJECT TITLES

2000

1	Expanding the MCH <i>Nurse Home Visitation</i> Program in Colorado (resulted in state legislation to support the program)	Karen O'Brien & Pat Slavin
2	Creating a Community-wide <i>Tobacco</i> Initiative	Jo Birkmeyer
3	Creating a Pediatric <i>Tele-medicine</i> System between Rural Northern Colorado and Denver Children's Hospital	Joan Eden & Richard Weist

2001

4	Creating an <i>Employee Alliance</i> for a Quality Work Environment *	Rendi Bacon
5	Phasing Out <i>Shallow Disposal Systems</i> in South Dakota	Douglas Minter
6	Securing an <i>Immunization Van</i> for the City/County Health Department	Christine Kercher

2002

7	<i>Colorado on the Move</i> : Metro Denver Black Church Initiative (the <i>video</i>)	Lucille Johnson
8	Creating the <i>First Compliance Agreement Among Federal Agencies</i> (EPA and The DOD, for a Coal-Fired Power Plant)	Dean A. Dunn
9	<i>Establish a National Association</i> of State Units on Aging Nutritionists	Laura Hudspeth
10	Increasing Attendance and Participation at the Zion <i>Senior Center</i>	Emma Jackson
11	Increasing <i>Hearing Screenings</i> and Follow-up for Newborns	Joanne McConville

2003

12	Creating a Citizens Committee for the Alleviation of Health Disparities (started the Colorado <i>Office of Health Disparities - OHD</i>)	Frank Gordon and Carla King
13	Creating a <i>RIHEL Forum</i> : Genetically Modified Organisms in Agriculture	Lisa Silva-Derou
14	Creating a <i>Voces de Esperanza</i> , a <i>Breast Cancer Support</i> Program	Mercedes Martinez

2004

15	Distance Continuing Education for Rural Community Health Care Workers in NM *	Patricia Anello
16	Including the Voices of People of Color in the Development of an Office of Health Disparities (continued the development of the <i>Colorado OHD</i>)	Chris Armijo and Esperanza Y. Zachman
17	Creating a <i>Student Mentoring Program</i> for EPA Region VIII	Linda Bowling
18	Creating a system for local health agencies to determine whether they are prepared to <i>accept and distribute the Strategic National Stockpile</i>	Clint Goldenstein, Yvonne Long & Jim Stewart
19	Creating a <i>Website for Food Safety</i> Information and <i>Inspection Results</i>	Joseph Malinowski
20	Collaborating to Save Colorado's Central <i>Shortgrass Prairie</i> Eco-Region*	Gary Belew

2005

21	Enhanced Environmental Awareness Tool at a <i>Petroleum Refinery</i>	Jay Christopher
22	Colorado Physicians of Color (established a <i>statewide professional association</i>)	Oswaldo Grenardo, Andrea Oliver, and Suman Moraka
23	<i>Stormwater</i> Management Plan Revision and Training Development	Diane Niemiec
24	Core Competency Development for Health and Sanitation in <i>Child Care</i> Settings	Therese Pilonetti-Hall
25	Public Health for <i>Journalists</i>	Paula Steib

2006

26	Implementing <i>Self-Directed Teams</i> in the Hazardous Waste Permitting and Corrective Action Program and the Voluntary Remediation Program: Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality	Carl Anderson
27	Evaluation of the Impact of <i>Underinsurance</i> on Healthcare by Insurance Type in Colorado (major publication demonstrating underinsurance as a larger problem than uninsurance)	Kent Voorhees



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28	Identifying and Establishing Points of <i>Distribution Sites for a Mass Vaccination</i> Plan for Pueblo County's Populace	Ken Williams
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2007

29	Boulder County <i>Teen Theater</i>	Christina Ostrom
30	Planning Active Community Environments (<i>PLACE</i>) Training	Leanne Jeffers
31	Promoting Public Health Awareness Among <i>Boy Scouts</i>	Dean McEwen
32	<i>Garden Therapy</i>	Shelly Hood

2008

33	A <i>Health Literacy</i> Initiative for the African American Community	Rosalyn Reese
34	Implementation of a <i>Lean Manufacturing Technique</i> to Improve the Permitting Process for Stationary Sources of Air Pollution	Shannon McMillan & Dena Wojtach

2009

35	<i>Recruitment, Retention, and Succession Planning</i> for Wyoming Public Health Nursing	Karen Ouzts
36	<i>Water Conservation at 1595 Wynkoop</i> : The "Home" of EPA Region 8	Jennifer Meints
37	Colorado <i>Refugee Youth Scholarship</i> Fund	Emilie Gettliffe
38	Enhanced <i>Child-Death Review</i> in Wyoming	Angela Crotsenberg

2010

39	Fruits and Their Vegetables – Creating an <i>LGBTQ and Allied Community Garden</i> in Boulder County	Cathy Busha
40	Public Health Institute (For high school students of color) *	Fayette Augillard
41	Development of Environmental Clubs in Local Area <i>High Schools</i>	Peter Monahan
42	Changing the Conversation about <i>Family Planning</i> Through a Statewide Branding and Social Marketing Campaign	Greta Klingler

2011

43	Athletic Association <i>Foundation</i>	Patrick Sabich
44	Clinical Discharge Planning for <i>Incarcerated</i> Offenders	Paula Frantz
45	Promoting Successes in Reducing <i>Teen Pregnancy</i> Rates	Tara Thomas-Gale

2012

46	Building Sustainable <i>Tribal Water Quality</i> Programs *	Randy Brown
47	<i>Safe Street</i> Initiative	Mark Bullock
48	<i>Asbestos Victim Assistance</i> Program	Curtis Burns

2013

49	Emergency Department – <i>Means Restriction Education</i> : A Youth Suicide Prevention Strategy	J. Taylor Moore
50	<i>Body Art Regulation</i> for Sheridan County, Wyoming	Melanie Kawulok

2014

51	Mestizo-Curtis Park <i>Revitalization</i> Project	Matt Cummings, Geraldolyn Harris, Shannon Oliver
52	EPA Region 8 <i>Knowledge Management</i> Project	Natasha Davis
53	Implementation of the <i>Vaccine Ordering</i> Module in the Colorado Information Immunization System Registry	Nicole Ortiz



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2016

	<i>Methane Emissions Reduction</i> Measurement as a Result of New Oil and Gas Regulations	Megan Eastment
	<i>LGBTQ</i> (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer) <i>Intergenerational Housing</i> Project	Heather Crate, Anthony Stamper
	Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes in <i>Child Abuse and Neglect</i> (ECHO-CAN)	Kathryn Wells, Bill Betts

2017

	Ensuring National <i>School Lunch</i> (and Breakfast) Program (NSLP) Availability for Students at One Low-Income Adams 12 school	Jill Collins
	Community Resilience Initiative – <i>Economic Development Policy</i> Research and Advocacy Program Planning for New Mexico’s Rural and Underserved Communities	Lisa Gavioli Roach
	<i>Redevelopment</i> Task Force in Libby, Montana	Dania Zinner

2018

	The <i>Opioid Epidemic</i> – A Public Health Crisis: A <i>discussion tool</i> to understand the causes and the solutions of the crisis	Debra J. Parsons
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2019

	Together We Rise (<i>mental health peer mentoring</i> for high school students)	Jenny Linder
	<i>Compliance Auditing Tool</i> , phase II	Joe Wilwerding

* award-winning projects

