



## News from the Legacy Community Alliance for Health

### **LCAH has been busy this spring! Here are some highlights from our spring activities**

#### **Convening Stakeholders for Rural Transportation in Bayfield**

Bayfield County hosted a rich discussion on challenges and opportunities in rural transportation during a day-long Rural Transportation Summit on April 16th. The event was organized in collaboration with and support from partners from Northwest Regional Planning Commission, Bay Area Rural Transit, UW Madison, UW Extension, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and the League of Wisconsin Municipalities.

Sessions focused on best practices and emerging innovations in rural transportation, the important connections between transportation and health equity, and the need for broad community and stakeholder engagement in transportation planning decisions. Notable attendees included State Senator Janet Bewley and State Representative Beth Meyers, and Wisconsin's Lieutenant Governor joined the group at lunch to talk about the importance of rural transportation access for health equity and proposed increases to transit and transportation options in the state budget. This event will continue to propel the ongoing work that Bayfield County and its partners are doing to increase access to transportation.



Panelists discuss the role of health and equity in transportation planning at the Rural Transportation Summit in Bayfield.

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## A Training on how Local Government can Improve Community Engagement to Advance Health Equity

LCAH hosted a workshop for 45 local government staff representing 11 different Wisconsin communities on Meaningful Community Engagement in Wausau this April. The workshop focused on how and why deep engagement is so critical to health equity and to taking a Health in All Policies approach. Not able to attend? Don't worry! [You can access materials related to the workshop at this page](#), including presentation slides, resources, and a toolkit you can use to refine your own engagement strategies.



Lesley Wolf, Director of the [Healthy Wisconsin Leadership Institute](#) at the UW Population Health Institute, facilitated the community engagement training in Wausau for LCAH communities.

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## LCAH Communities Talk about their Health Equity Work for Green



## Tier's Sustainable Strategies Webinar Series

Academic partners from COWS and PHI, along with community partners from Appleton, Bayfield, Eau Claire, Fitchburg, and Wisconsin Rapids led a webinar highlighting ways that each of them are tackling different elements of implementing a Health in All Policies approach. [Check out the recording](#) for some ideas on how to implement HiAP in your community!

## News on Health Equity

[3 Guidelines for Prioritizing Healthy Communities in Urban Planning](#), Meeting of the Minds, 5/13/19

[To Improve Health Equity, Rural America Must Be Part of the Frame](#), Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, 5/2/19

[A Blueprint for Health Equity: Achieving Health Equity Through Law and Policy](#), toolkit, Change Lab Solutions, 4/19/19



## Learning Opportunities

1 pm CT, Wednesday, June 5: All In: Data for Community Health presents a webinar, *Addressing Transportation to Improve Community Health*. More info and registration [here](#).

1 pm CT, Wednesday, June 12: NACCHO's June Health in All Policies Technical Assistance Webinar: *Cross-sector Collaboration to Implement HiAP*. Register [here](#).

## Funding Opportunities

*Opportunity Pre-announcement:* In conjunction with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS), the [Wisconsin Environmental Public Health Tracking \(Wisconsin Tracking\) Program](#) announces an upcoming grant opportunity for the development and implementation of local initiatives related to environmental health. Local and tribal health departments are invited to apply to this "Taking Action with Data" mini-grants project. The opportunity will fund up to 8 projects, each at approximately \$10,000. The project timeline is 8/1/2019-7/31/2020 and applications will be due approximately one month after the RFA is released. **Deadline and application timeframe not yet announced.**

Please contact Jenny Camponeschi, Program Manager for the Environmental Public Health Tracking Program for more information at [jennifer.camponeschi@wisconsin.gov](mailto:jennifer.camponeschi@wisconsin.gov) or (608) 267-3811.

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The USDA National Institute of Food & Agriculture's Community Food Projects Competitive Grant Program funds projects designed to meet the needs of low-income individuals and increase community self-reliance concerning food and nutrition. Two types of grants are available within this funding opportunity: Planning projects (Funding

should be used to complete plans for food security improvement projects) and Community Food Projects (Funding will be awarded to support ongoing projects with a one-time infusion of federal dollars to make projects self-sustaining.) **Application deadline: June 3, 2019.**

[More info here.](#)

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