



## Local Public Health Leadership Series

### Information & Application

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) is offering a new leadership development opportunity for **ALL** local and state public health professionals **in Kansas** for **early 2017**. This is the fourth year for this leadership series and the only time it will be offered this fiscal year.

Leadership involves mobilizing others, sometimes without direct authority to do so, in an effort to address difficult community challenges. These difficult, daunting, adaptive challenges don't have a single expert or manager that can fix them. In fact, they can't be "fixed." Progress can be made to address adaptive challenges but it will require learning, involvement of stakeholders and persistent efforts. Public health professionals are in key positions to provide this kind of leadership. The purpose of the Local Public Health Leadership Series is to equip individuals and their departments to exercise leadership to strengthen the public health system that serves Medicaid beneficiaries. This series was designed specifically for local public health staff through design input from LHD directors and staff from both KDHE and the Kansas Association of Local Health Departments.

The Local Public Health Leadership Series will develop core knowledge and skills related to identifying and responding to adaptive challenges. The focus will be on development of leadership competencies identified by the Kansas Leadership Center: Diagnosing the Situation, Managing Self, Energizing Others and Intervening Skillfully.

The Wichita State University Community Engagement Institute will serve as faculty and coaches for the series which is modeled after the Kansas Leadership Center's training curriculum and methods. If you want to know more, visit [www.kansasleadershipcenter.org](http://www.kansasleadershipcenter.org) or email [seth.bate@wichita.edu](mailto:seth.bate@wichita.edu) or [Sonja.armbruster@wichita.edu](mailto:Sonja.armbruster@wichita.edu).

This will require attendance at all four 1 ½-day sessions which will take place at the [Community Engagement Institute](#), 238 N. Mead Wichita, KS 67202.

- January 23 afternoon and evening; January 24 morning and afternoon
- February 7 afternoon and evening; February 8 morning and afternoon
- March 7 afternoon and evening; March 8 morning and afternoon
- April 12 afternoon and evening; April 13 morning and afternoon

*(schedule subject to updates)*

Materials, hotel accommodations ([Hotel at Old Town](#)), travel stipends, and most meals are provided.

In addition to class sessions, participants will be expected to spend about two hours completing assignments between each session. Assignments may include reading, written reflections, conversations with a coach, and consulting with a peer group. All work between sessions can be accomplished individually, by phone or online.



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If you are interested in making application to participate in this program, please complete the following application by November 15, and return it to [kristina.helmer@wichita.edu](mailto:kristina.helmer@wichita.edu).

If applications exceed number of seats available, criteria for enrollment will be developed based on geographical distribution and restricted to no more than four applicants from one agency.

*Funding for the Local Public Health Leadership Series is provided through a Medicaid contract through KDHE to WSU-CEI.*

**Application.** *Please return to Kristina.Helmer@wichita.edu.*

Name:

Organization:

Title:

Supervisor Name

Supervisor Approval    Yes                    No

Email:

Phone:

Mobile phone:

Emergency contact name:

Emergency contact phone:

*Please use as much space as you need:*

**Who or what has influenced your ideas about leadership?**



**When was a time that you tried to mobilize others to make progress on a challenge? How did it go? What did you learn?**

**Of all the issues and topics in public health, which is most important to you and why?**

**Please attach a resume or CV.**

The following questions are for planning purposes only and do not affect selection.

Do you give permission for Community Engagement Institute, KALHD and/or KDHE to use your name in news releases and other publications?

Yes                      No

Do you give permission for Community Engagement Institute, KALHD and/or KDHE to use photos of your on their websites and other materials?

Yes                      No

Special meeting accommodations needed\*:

Dietary restrictions (We will do our best to honor these)\*:

*\* For questions/explanations regarding any special needs you may have, contact [kristina.helmer@wichita.edu](mailto:kristina.helmer@wichita.edu).*



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