



#### **Forum**

April 26, 2016, 9:30 am-12:45 pm

### Investing in what works: Evidence-based policy prescriptions to improve health value

This forum will provide an overview of evidence-based decision making and sources of policy solutions that have been rigorously evaluated and found to be effective. Participants will learn about the power of costbenefit analysis to inform state policymaking and where to find research-based interventions, with a focus on policy options shown to reduce health disparities and to address the social and economic conditions that impact health. The forum will focus on Ohio's greatest health challenges, as identified by the HPIO Health Value Dashboard.

#### **Training**

Immediately following the forum, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm

Navigating sources of evidence to find policy prescriptions to improve health, education and income

Participants will be encouraged to attend this training as a county-level collaborative team, ideally including at least one representative from a local health department, a nonprofit hospital and a United Way (see below for details). Participants will also be encouraged to bring real-life examples from their own community health improvement work that can be used in small group discussions and exploration of online evidence sources during the session. Small group activities will require one laptop or tablet with internet access per group or county team.

#### Learning objectives

As a result of attending the meeting, participants will be able to:

- 1. Articulate what is meant by evidence-based programs and policies, and the strengths and limitations of research-based evidence
- 2. Identify and navigate credible and user-friendly evidence registries and systematic reviews, such as What Works for Health, The Community Guide, and the Campbell Collaborative (see other examples in figure below), with a focus on sources of policy-oriented approaches to address United Ways' three focus areas (education, income and health)
- 3. Identify opportunities for increased collaboration between local health departments, nonprofit hospitals and United Ways in selecting, implementing and evaluating evidence-based policies to improve community health, address the social determinants of health and achieve health equity
- 4. Identify cross-cutting policy, systems and environmental change strategies that have been found effective in addressing health, income and education outcomes.

## Forum scholarships

Partial scholarships are available to collaborative community teams representing 2 or more organizations who attend the forum and training together. Team members will ideally be from the same county or other local community, and will include representatives from two or more of the following organizations: local health department, hospital, United Way or other funder/philanthropy, ADAMH board, Educational Service Center or school district, Family and Children First Council, or similar county/local organization.

A discount of \$25 off the forum registration is available to one team member per organization per team (up to 5 team members). Teams MUST represent at least two different organizations in the same county/community to be eligible for discount. This team will work together during the training to navigate credible and user-friendly sources of evidence and identify strategies for use in collaborative community health plans and implementation strategies.

Scholarships are limited and provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Contact Sarah Dorn at <a href="mailto:sdorn@hpio.net">sdorn@hpio.net</a> to request a scholarship or for more information.





# Recommended systematic reviews and evidence registries

Systematic review or evidence registry	Sponsoring organization	Strategies to address the social, economic and physical environment	Community- based prevention programs	Clinical preventive services
The Community Guide*	U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)			
What Works for Health	University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation			
Community Health Improvement Navigator	U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)			
U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) Recommendations*	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)			
AHRQ Health Care Innovations	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)			
Cochrane Reviews*	Cochrane Collaboration			
National Registry of Evidence- based Programs and Practices (NREPP)	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)			
Research-tested Intervention Programs (RTIPs)	National Cancer Institute (NCI)			
Campbell Library Systematic Reviews*	Campbell Collaboration Library			
Public Health Law Research- Evidence Briefs	Temple University and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation			
Promising Practices Network	RAND Corporation			
What Works Clearinghouse	Institute for Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education			
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<sup>\*</sup>Systematic review (comprehensive literature reviews that appraise and synthesize empirical evidence)