

Health Equity Initiative Receives Approval by National Board of Public Health Examiners (NBPHE) as a Provider of Certified in Public Health Continuing Education (CPH CE) Credits.

CPH CE credits available for eligible public health professionals who participate in HEI's professional development workshops, mini-courses and other training events

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New York, NY, January 11, 2012. Health Equity Initiative (HEI), a NY-based nonprofit organization dedicated to building community, capacity, and communication resources for health equity, announces today that it received approval by the National Board of Public Health Examiners (NBPHE) as a provider of Certified in Public Health Continuing Education (CPH CE) credits, which are required for maintaining the certification in public health issued by the NBPHE. Eligible professionals who participate in HEI's professional development workshops, mini-courses and other training events can earn CPH CE credits after completing a multiple choice test.

The CPH certification is administered by the NBPHE after successful completion of an exam, which is open to graduates of and students at CEPH-accredited schools and programs of public health. CPH certification recognizes the complexity and evolving nature of public health challenges, and addresses the need for public health professionals to stay at the forefront of their field. CPH maintenance requires the completion of CPH CE credits via participation in continuing education activities.

As one of its core action areas, HEI helps other organizations succeed by increasing their effectiveness in serving vulnerable populations and developing sustainable health interventions in diverse settings – via its consulting and technical assistance services, and capacity building programs. HEI's training events focus on a variety of topics and competencies in the public health, global health and healthcare fields, with a specific emphasis on implications for health equity. "We are very pleased with this important milestone and look forward to a long-term relationship with the NBPHE," says Dr. Renata Schiavo, HEI's Founding President and CEO.

For additional information on HEI's capacity building and training services as well as upcoming 2012 professional development workshops, go to: www.healthequityinitiative.org

About Health Equity Initiative (HEI)

Health Equity Initiative (HEI) is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization dedicated to building community, capacity and communication resources for health equity. At the crossroads between a non-profit public health management consulting agency, and a research- and programs-driven organization, Health Equity Initiative seeks to help advance health equity through partnership, community engagement, and evidence-based solutions.

HEI focuses on three strategic priorities and relevant action areas: 1) Helping other organizations succeed; 2) Establishing a road map for health equity; 3) Encouraging community ownership of priorities and progress toward health equity.

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About the NBPHE

The National Board of Public Health Examiners (NBPHE) was established in September 2005 as an independent organization, the purpose of which is to ensure that students and graduates from schools and programs of public health accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) have mastered the knowledge and skills relevant to contemporary public health. This purpose will be accomplished by administering a voluntary certification exam and maintenance of certification program. For additional information go to: www.nbphe.org