

Community/School Health Education Newsletter

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Health Leadership "Aha!" Conference

FOUR BCC FACULTY AND FOUR BCC STUDENTS made the trek out to the beautiful campus of Kingsborough Community College for the Sixth Annual Health Leadership Conference on June 24, 2011. Dr. Karen Denard Goldman, conference coordinator, outdid herself this year with a day packed with presentations from exciting panelists and courageous public health leaders from across New York City.

Students mingled with leaders from communities representing a variety of ages, generations, health professionals, genders, sexual orientations, abilities, ethnicities, and cultures. Our own BCC adjunct instructor, Professor Ariel Sarmiento, was one of the presenters this year discussing his work as a health professional at The Children's Hospital at Montefiore Medical Center. It was a memorable day for everyone who attended!



Bottom (L-R): Ms. Delain McIntosh, Professor Mary Lou McNichol, Ms. Dailyn Alvarez, and Professor Elyse Gruttadauria. Top (L-R): Professor Ariel Sarmiento, Dr. Janet Heller, Mr. Benjamin Smith, and Mr. Allen Freeland.

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Congratulations to Community/School Health Education Graduates!

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January 2011

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Jisel Cordero
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Dodi Katsan
Sharon Lowe
Lisa Manago
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June 2011

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Advisement

Not sure about your career path?
Want to discuss courses left for graduation?
Want information about transferring?

Contact Dr. Janet Heller at janet.heller@bcc.cuny.edu
or stop by Loew Hall, room 308, for assistance.

Become a Student Member of the Public Health Association of New York City (PHANYC)

WHAT IS A COMMUNITY/PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATOR?

What do I need to know about advocating for public health services and quality health care? What are the current public health issues in New York City? How do I meet professionals who work in this field? Join PHANYC as a student member and attend meetings and conferences to have all your questions answered. Go to www.phanyc.org to become a member.

In the News: Women's Reproductive Health

ON AUGUST 1, 2011, THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION released a proposed regulation that adopts an Institute of Medicine (IOM) panel recommendation that health plans cover a slate of women's preventive health services, including contraception, without out-of-pocket fees starting next year.

The federal health reform law (PL 111-148) requires health plans that start on or after August 1, 2012, to cover preventive health services without copayments, coinsurance or deductibles ("Healthwatch," *The Hill*, 8/1). The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) asked IOM to determine which women's services should be included in the requirement. Last month, an IOM panel recommended that HHS require eight preventive services for women to be covered by all new insurance plans without additional out-of-pocket fees. Besides contraception, the panel recommended coverage for domestic violence screening and counseling services, advanced screenings for cervical cancer and human papillomavirus for women ages 30 and older, counseling for sexually transmitted infections and HIV, screening for gestational diabetes for pregnant women, comprehensive coverage of breastfeeding equipment and support, and at least one annual preventive health exam (*Women's Health Policy Report*, 7/28).