

**Western MCH Nutrition Leadership Network  
March 21 and March 22, 2013  
Marina del Rey, CA**

**Thursday, March 21, 2013**

***The Public Health Nutrition Workforce:  
Looking to the Future***

- Goal:** Exploration and increased understanding of:
- the potential new demands on the nutrition workforce that follow the anticipated emphasis on prevention as:
    - the Affordable Health Care Act (ACA) is implemented
    - preconception/interconception care services increase
  - changes in educational requirements for RDs being considered by the AND House of Delegates.

- Objectives:**
1. Understand the provisions of the ACA and the potential to increase preventive services, including nutrition.
  2. Consider the increased opportunity to improve birth outcomes related to poor nutrition as part of the team providing preconception/interconception care.
  3. Understand and comment on the changes in educational requirements being proposed by the AND and discuss implications for the future public health nutrition workforce.

7:30           **Continental breakfast (registration)**

8:00           **Welcome and Introductions**

8:15-9:45     **How will the Affordable Care Act change health care delivery:  
primary care and public health issues**

**Speaker: Margaret Lynn Yonekura, MD**

- Associate Professor of Clinical OB-GYN, UCLA ; specialist in Maternal-Fetal Medicine
- Director of Community Benefits, California Hospital Medical Center, overseeing a variety of community-based health screening and education programs, including “Healthy Eating Lifestyle Program” and multiple other innovative, collaborative and award-winning programs to promote health in mothers, children and families
- Member, CA Preconception Council

## **Group Discussion: What about your state?**

### **Questions for discussion: (please be informed before leaving home)**

1. What planning (if any) is going on in anticipation of the implementation of the ACA in your state?
2. What changes to public health service delivery (if any) are expected? Will there be a Medicaid expansion?
3. Which aspects are most challenging to address? What are the barriers?

9:45-10:00                    **Break**

10:00-11:30    **Interconception Care: What does it entail? What opportunities does it present for nutrition services?**

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## **Group Discussion: What about your state?**

### **Questions for discussion: (please be informed before leaving home)**

1. Is the idea of interconception care being talked about/considered in your state?
2. If so, what are the potential implications for nutrition services? WIC services? Public health services?
3. If not, why not?

12:00:-1:00    **Lunch provided**

### **Objectives for the afternoon session:**

1. Gain a solid understanding of the Visioning Report (AND's Council on Future Practice) and the summary of the January Joint Meeting of ACEND, CDR, Council on Future Practice, Education Committee and Nutrition & Dietetics Educators and Preceptors DPG with regard to future education and credentialing for nutrition professionals..
2. Consider the impact of the potentially changing educational and credentialing requirements for nutrition professionals on the public health nutrition workforce.
3. Provide opinions about the knowledge and skills needed for the public health nutrition workforce of the future that Dr. Spear can report to the Council on Future Practice as input for the final guidance document and for future joint meetings.

1:00 – 3:00 **Are we ready for new educational standards for nutrition professionals? Let your public health voice be heard!**

**Speaker: Bonnie Spear, PhD, RD,**

- Professor of Pediatrics and Public Health, University of Alabama at Birmingham
- Director, MCH Nutrition Leadership Training Program
- Member: AND's Council on Future Practice that has been developing a vision for future credentialing for nutrition professionals.

Dr. Spear will provide an update on the Academy's changes to educational standards and seeks our response and input for the final guidance document.

Further, she will compile our thoughts and discussion and share this with the Council on Future Practice. Our voices will be heard. Because the Visioning Report is just the beginning of the process, there is still room for change, and your input as public health nutrition professionals is highly valued.

Please do not distribute this session description widely as it is intended only for participants attending this session.

**Questions for discussion:** (To maximize the value of this session, please do the following beforehand): review the *Visioning Report* (attached) and come prepared with written responses to the following questions...

1. What are the positive and negative implications of this report?
2. With these proposed changes, what knowledge and skills do you foresee will be needed for the public health workforce in the future?
3. What types of jobs do you anticipate will be available for 4-year degree graduates with bachelor degrees vs RDs with graduate degrees? In what sectors of the public health nutrition community will they find employment?

3:00-4:00 **Free time**

4:00-6:30 **Western MCH Nutrition Leadership Network  
Sharing Session/ refreshments (abstracts to be sent in beforehand)**

6:30 **Free evening to explore Marina del Rey**

**Friday, March 22, 2013**

***Quality Improvement for Leaders***

**Objectives for the day:**

1. Understand the foundation of improvement methods from the science of improvement.
2. Provide tools and methods to support improvement and innovation in member organizations.
3. Describe the use of the Model for Improvement as a roadmap for improvement initiatives.
4. Understand the use of data for improvement.
5. Describe the use of collaborative innovation networks to accelerate improvement across a system

7:30           **Continental Breakfast**

8:30   **Welcome and overview of the day**  
**Leading improvement in organizations (QI and QA);**  
**The Science of Improvement**

10:30           **Break**

10:45   **The Model for Improvement**

12:00           **Lunch provided**

1:00   **Developing an aim statement and measurement strategy**  
**Collaborative Improvement**

3:00   **Discussion**

3:30   **Wrap-up and Evaluation**

4:00   **Conference adjourns**

**Workshop Facilitator: Lloyd Provost, PhD**  
**Improvement Advisor,**  
**Associates in Process Improvement**

Dr. Provost is a cofounder of *Associates in Process Improvement*, the organization that created the Model for Improvement and the Quality as a Business Strategy template for focusing organizations on improvement. He works as a senior fellow at the Institute for Healthcare

Improvement, where he supports the use of data for learning and improvement in QI programs. Lloyd is coauthor of three books on improvement, measurement, and study design. He has conducted a number of successful workshops on applying these frameworks in participant organizations.

**Reference Materials:**

*The Improvement Guide: A Practical Approach to Enhancing Organizational Performance* by Langley, Moen, Nolan, Nolan, Norman and Provost.

**Background (optional reading)** Pt. 1, Introduction to Improvement – Chapters 1-3

**Focus of the Workshop (assigned reading)** – Pt.. 2 – Methods for Improvement – Chapters 4-9