



The Opportunity

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is launching a pilot Community Health Improvement Learning Collaborative. The Learning Collaborative provides an exciting opportunity for up to nine new or existing community health improvement (CHI) partnerships to network with other partnerships, and be part of a pilot cohort to engage further with an innovative new CDC resource, the [Community Health Improvement Navigator](#) (CHI Navigator).

Learning Collaborative participants will discuss the CHI process and its underlying principles in greater depth and use [CDC's CHI Navigator](#) to strengthen their ability to conduct an effective, collaborative CHI process. From October 2015-April 2016, Learning Collaborative participants will receive:

- Training and technical assistance through a series of webinars and phone calls from national community health improvement experts
- Facilitated peer-to-peer sharing and learning with other CHI partnerships
- Travel support for one participant from each partnership to attend the national Association for Community Health Improvement (ACHI) conference in Baltimore (March 2016)
- Opportunities to provide feedback to improve and strengthen the CHI Navigator

Eligibility

Eligible Learning Collaborative participants will be:

- Based in the Eastern U.S., and specifically from: CT, MA, ME, NH, VT, RI, NJ, NY, DE, MD, PA, VA, WV, DC
- Collaborative in composition:
 - Include at least one hospital or health system, one public health department, and one additional partner
 - Part of a collaborative CHI initiative that fulfills the needs of more than one partner
 - Interested in exploring the four domains of factors that impact health as a part of the CHI process (specifically, clinical care, health behaviors, physical environment, and socioeconomic factors)

Expectations for Learning Collaborative Participants

Selected partnerships will be expected to:

- Participate (at least 2-3 persons representing different sectors) in 6 webinars and 4 technical assistance group calls (scheduled between late October 2015 through February, 2016)
 - The first webinar will be **October 28th, 2:00-3:30pm EDT**
- Be committed to engage in a collaborative CHI process informed by the CHI Navigator
- Send at least 1 representative to the 2016 ACHI Conference in March 2016 (travel stipend will be provided for 1 representative) for a culminating CHI Learning Collaborative workshop and discussions
- Participate in additional activities, including completion of a baseline and post-learning collaborative survey, and a phone interview in Spring 2016

To apply: Click on <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CHINavLC> to complete a brief response form by **Tuesday, October 13th at noon EDT**. Decisions will be made by **Friday, October 16th**. For any questions, please contact: Allyson Auerbach at Health Resources in Action (HRIA) (aauerbach@hria.org; 617-279-2227).