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National Network of Public Health Institutes Welcomes Six New Members

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The National Network of Public Health Institutes (NNPHI) announces six new members: Partners for a Healthier Community, Inc., Ohio Public Health Partnership, Kentucky Population Health Institute, MCD Public Health, the Fund for Public Health in New York, and the Northwest Center for Public Health Practice. Their admission brings NNPHI's total membership to 43 public health institutes (PHIs) in 31 states plus Washington, DC – the highest number of members since NNPHI's inception. The new members include:

Partners for a Healthier Community (PHC), headquartered in Springfield, MA, joins NNPHI as a full public health institute member. Its mission is to build measurably healthy communities with equitable opportunities and resources for all through civic leadership, collaborative partnerships, and policy advocacy. To learn more about PHC visit <http://www.partnersforahealthiercommunity.org/>.

Kentucky Population Health Institute (KPHI), headquartered in Frankfort, KY, joins NNPHI as a provisional member. KPHI's mission is bridging partnerships for improved health and quality of life and promoting responsive health policy. To learn more about KPHI, contact Cynthia Lamberth (cynthia.lamberth@uky.edu) or Georgia Heise (GeorgiaF.Heise@ky.gov).

MCD Public Health, headquartered in Augusta, ME, joins NNPHI as a provisional member. MCDPH is committed to increase the effectiveness of health care and public health systems to help people stay and become healthy. To learn more about MCD Public Health visit www.mcdph.org.

Ohio Public Health Partnership (OPHP), headquartered in Columbus, OH, joins NNPHI as a provisional member. OPHP is dedicated to advance the interests of public health through a united, more efficient, effective and sustained relationship between member public health organizations. To learn more about OPHP visit <http://www.ohiopublichealth.org>.

Fund for Public Health in New York, Inc. (FPHNY), headquartered in New York, NY, joins NNPHI as an affiliate member. FPHNY works closely with the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to advance the health and well-being of all New York City residents. To learn more about FPHNY visit <http://www.fphny.org/>.

Northwest Center for Public Health Practice (NWCPHP), located in the University of Washington, School of Public Health, joins NNPHI as an affiliate member. NWCPHP provides training, research, and evaluation for state, local, and tribal public health in six Northwest states—Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming. To learn more about NWCPHP visit <http://www.nwcphp.org/>.

"I am honored these six organizations are now part of our distributed capacity network dedicated to improving the public's health," said Vincent Lafronza, President and CEO, NNPHI. "The Board and staff at NNPHI look forward to increasing the network's collective impact across the nation."



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About the National Network of Public Health Institutes

Public health institutes are nonprofit organizations that improve the public's health by fostering innovation, leveraging resources, and building partnerships across sectors, including government agencies, communities, the health care delivery system, media, and academia. NNPHI's mission is to support national public health system initiatives and strengthen PHIs to promote multi-sector activities resulting in measurable improvements of public health structures, systems, and outcomes. Learn more about NNPHI and its member institutes at www.nnphi.org.