

Session Description

We are very excited for the upcoming APHA Policy Action Institute and Healthiest Cities & Counties Challenge (HCCC) skill-building workshop in Washington, DC – a two-day, in-person learning event on June 14 - 15, 2022. The event will help you advance the goals of your HCCC initiative by reflecting on and planning for policy development, advocacy and implementation. The workshop will build on lessons from the Policy Action Institute and will include a guest speaker and consultation with the HCCC leaders you've come to know in the HCCC peer learning network. After two years of learning and connecting solely through Zoom, our goals for this event are to:

- strengthen HCCC peer relationships;
- create a deeper opportunity for policy and advocacy skill-building;
- and reflect and learn in different ways than are possible in the virtual environment.

The [Policy Action Institute \(PAI\)](#) will be held on **Tuesday, June 14 from 9:00am - 5:30pm** at the JW Marriott, 1331 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC. A registration code will be made available to attendees for complimentary registration after the HCCC In-person registration deadline (April 11). Note that there are both virtual and in-person options available for PAI, however the workshop on day two is in-person only. Packets will be provided to team members who are unable to join in person and wish to complete the workshop exercises independently.

The HCCC In-person workshop will be held on **Wednesday, June 15 from 8:00am - 3:30pm** at the APHA offices.

6/15 Workshop Draft Agenda: 8:00 am—3:30 pm

- 8:00-8:30 - Optional guided stretching with Brittany
- 8:30-9:00 - Arrival, Breakfast (provided)
- 9:00-9:30 - Welcome / Icebreaker
- 9:30-10:25 - Presentation on community-led policymaking by Sarah de Guia, ChangeLab Solutions – Discussion of foundational elements of “big P and little p” policy-making processes, collaborating and planning with stakeholders, engaging community when developing and implementing policy change
- 10:25-10:35 - Break
- 10:35-12:15 - Small group activity and debrief – Participants will complete a policy case study exercise that requires them to examine white supremacy in the food system and apply an anti-racist approach for identifying effective policy solutions.
- 12:15-1:15 - Lunch (provided)
- 1:15-1:45 - Time in community pairs to prep for peer consultation
- 1:45-1:55 - Break
- 1:55-2:30 - Small group consults with peers – Participants join small groups of 3 to exchange ideas on proposed steps to advance a policy related to their HCCC goal.
- 2:30-3:00 - Time in community pairs to debrief peer consultation & plan next steps
- 3:00-3:30 - Large group debrief/Closing