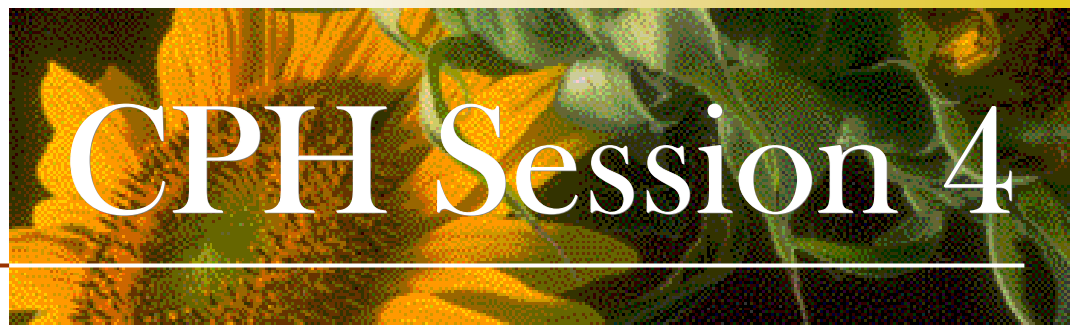


September 21-22, 2011

Wichita, KS



Session 4 of the Kansas Core Public Health took place on September 21-22nd in Wichita, KS, in conjunction with the Kansas Public Health Association Annual Conference. Day 1 featured keynote presentations from accreditation experts representing PHAB (Kaye Bender), the Missouri Health Department (Rex Archer) and Norton County, KS (Gina Frack) as well as a presentation from Paul D. Benne, MD, representing the Fort Riley Department of Public Health. Dr. Benne discussed an infant mortality study conducting on the base in Fort Riley. Breakout sessions included budgeting advice for public health workers, engaging the community in environmental health issues and utilizing the Community Park Audit Tool to advocate for healthier communities. CPH students had a private breakout session with team-building facilitator Jeff King of Next Element, LLC. Jeff walked the group through a process called the Full Value Contract that allowed the students to set the ground rules for their remaining sessions together. Jeff uses experiential learning activities to help his audience understand how we allow spoken and unspoken social norms dictate our interactions with others. He challenged the CPH students to take his facilitating power from him and “own” their time together.



Jeff King explains the components of the Full Value Contract: Be Present, Attend to Safety, Open to Outcomes, and Speak Your Truth



CPH students participate in one of Jeff King's experiential learning activities.

On Day 2, keynote presentations included “State and National Tobacco Control” from the CDC Office of Smoking and Health and “Advancing a Shared Vision for Health Policy in Kansas” from KDHE Secretary Robert Moser. Breakouts included information about access to health coverage after health reform, tools for human resource management, and connecting individual fitness with academic indicators.



CPH students join each other at reserved tables for lunch at the KPHA conference.

During the awards portion of the KPHA conference, CPH Co-director Suzanne Hawley, PhD, was honored with the Samuel Crumbine Medal for her work in workforce and leadership development. This is the highest award given by the KPHA. It is presented for meritorious service and improvement of the health of Kansans. Congratulations, Dr. Hawley!

Session 5 of the CPH Program will be a webinar held on December 6th from 11:30-1 via Adobe Connect.

For more information about the CPH program, visit our website: www.waldcenter.org/cph

