Shifting the Power: Transforming Statewide and Rural Research Through CHW Leadership

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Agenda

- Overview of *CHW 101 Introduction* course
- Course outcomes
- Panel discussion
- Questions

CHW 101 Introduction course

- Purpose: Equip CHWs with essential knowledge and skills to be fully involved in research
- Developed by CHWs for CHWs
- Free
- 1.5 – 2 hours
- Receive a course completion certificate
- Designed to be engaging and use real world examples



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Course Outcomes

Participant evaluation responses:

- > 200 completed course, 80 completed evaluation
  - > 50 CHWs
- > 75% satisfied
- > 75% agreed course was relevant
- > 80 % agreed course was engaging

Course Outcomes

Percent of participants who's:

- Understanding of importance of research increased – 54%
- Knowledge needed to engage in research increased – 74%
- Skills needed to serve in research roles increased – 69%
- Confidence to serve in research increased – 61%
- Likelihood to engage in research within their community increased – 58%

What CHWs are saying:

"It helped me realize how much research goes into a CHW role and how important it is for a CHW to do research on issues or concerns brought up by community members."

"…it also gave me the opportunity to see myself on these new research roles in collaboration with the research team."

"This course provided me with great insight what research can consist of for a CHW and what that means for the community."

"I found this course very helpful and relevant to my role as a CHW."

"I found this course very helpful. I was not aware of all the benefits of community research and how CHW's can assist in the research process."

Panelists



Vonyee Howard, CHW

CHW Expert Consultant
Founder of Connected Beginnings, LLC.



Anita Tamang, CHW

Lead CHW
CHW Solutions



Susannah Bartlow, PhD

Community Outreach and Engagement Associate
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Thank you!

Course QR Code

www.mnchwalliance.org/chw-101-introduction-to-research

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