Development of a CHW Textbook

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Springer approached the APHA CHW section about doing a CHW book.

Interested parties held several phone calls to discuss ideas, purpose, & process.

**DECISION:** Process driven by CHWs & book chapters must include at least 1 CHW as a lead author.
Purpose

- Opportunity for CHWs to tell their story—what CHWs wish others knew about CHWs

- Opportunity for Employers/Stakeholders to ask questions to CHWs & discuss how they would like to engage CHWs & allow CHWs to address those questions/comments
Book Development Process

- Unity breakout brainstorm groups
- National survey
- Call for chapter proposals
- Invite authors to submit chapters
- Publish text book
Unity Break-out Groups

1. Community Health Worker (Wandy Hernandez)
2. CHW Instructor or Trainer (Katy Nimmons)
3. CHW Stakeholder or Ally (Susan Mayfield-Johnson)
4. CHW Supervisor (Julie St. John)
5. CHW Employer (Joanne Calista)
Brain Storm Instructions

- Confirm participants are in the correct group
- Group guided discussion on ideas & recommendations
- Select one person from group to give a 5 minute summary of the group’s discussion
Guiding Questions

- What topics would you like to see covered in a textbook about CHWs? (brainstorm—then pick top 5)
- Which roles do you think CHWs engage in the most?
- What do you wish others knew about CHWs?
- What do you think employers/stakeholders want/need to know about CHWs?
Group Summary Presentations

1. Community Health Worker
2. CHW Instructor or Trainer
3. CHW Stakeholder or Ally
4. CHW Supervisor
5. CHW Employer
Next Steps

► Sign-up if interested in receiving updates & information
► Complete online survey
► Share the survey link with others!!
► Watch for the call for chapter proposals
Thank you!!

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