



Thriving Cities

Building Skills to Create a Culture of Health Where We Live, Learn, and Play

NLC UNIVERSITY PARTICIPANT SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION & APPLICATION FORM

With generous support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), the National League of Cities' Institute for Youth, Education and Families (IYEF) is leading a national effort to educate, train and build the capacity of city leaders to address the social determinants of health and improve health outcomes. To encourage both elected and appointed officials and their staff to participate in this exciting training seminar, we are sponsoring scholarships that will cover the registration fee.

We are partnering with NLC University to offer Thriving Cities: Building Skills to Create a Culture of Health Where We Live, Learn, Work & Play, at our City Summit in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on November 16th. This in-depth, interactive training seminar is designed to build the capacity of city leaders to develop an integrated approach to governing that is driven by data, advances equity, and elevates health as a key factor in ensuring academic success, economic opportunity and a good quality of life for all residents of our cities. City officials who participate in this NLC University session will build new skills and enhance their ability to tailor strategies and efforts to:

- Create a shared understanding of the Culture of Health in their cities;

- Connect their current work and efforts to a “culture of health” framework through exploration and planning on key issues and explore their connections to health;
- Identify practical ideas, tools and actions to engage and connect work/efforts to ensure improved health and well-being; and
- Examine integrated approaches to governing that can be supported by a variety of resources and stakeholders.

As part of the session, participants will work in small groups to explore promising practices and innovative approaches to leading cross-sector initiatives and engage in peer-learning opportunities to ensure health is a factor across a range of issues from education and early childhood to housing, transportation and community development.

Scholarship Eligibility: The scholarship covers the registration fee to attend this NLC University session. In order to be considered for a scholarship:

- You must complete this application and submit to NLC by **September 30, 2016**.
- Your city or town must be a current member of the National League of Cities.

If you are applying and already registered for this session, you can be reimbursed if you are selected.

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Applicant Contact Information: (Please print or type):

Full Name: _____ Title: _____

Representing: _____ Years in office: _____

Address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ email: _____

Statement: (Please include a short statement, indicating why you would like to participate in this NCLU/Culture of Health pre-conference training seminar):

Additional Information: (Answer the following questions to help us tailor the course to the needs of attendees):

1. How familiar are you with the following terms: Social Determinants of Health, Health-In-All-Policies, Health Equity, and Culture of Health. What do they mean to you?
2. When you think about health and your city, what comes to mind? What's working well? Where is there room for improvement?
3. How do key agencies or stakeholders (e.g. city, county, and state agencies, school districts, community organizations) currently collaborate to promote health and wellness? Are there any stakeholders missing from the conversation that you hope to engage more (i.e. business leaders, faith-based, hospitals, etc.)?
4. When you think about priority issues in your community - or perhaps, priorities being addressed by city leadership - what are the biggest three? Why? Where does this issue fit on the list of priorities?
5. As you think about the future - issues on the horizon, what comes to mind and what resources do you need to be successful? How can NLC help?

Applicant Signature: _____ Date Submitted: _____

Return this application and completed questions to Alyia Gaskins gaskins@nlc.org by September 30, 2016.

Questions may be directed to Alyia Gaskins (gaskins@nlc.org) or Sue Polis (polis@nlc.org).