



February 13th, 2023

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Upcoming from PHSA and Others

- **8th Annual Public Health Day: Advancing New Mexico Communities**
 - Connect with agencies and place-based advocates working to advance health equity and public health in New Mexico, and speak to legislators about supporting public health in your community!
 - [Tuesday, February 21st, 2023 from 8:00 am-11:45 am @ the New Mexico Roundhouse in Santa Fe, NM](#)
 - [Registration Link: New Mexico Public Health Association - Home \(wildapricot.org\)](#)
- **Mentorship Day**
 - Bringing faculty, advisors, and MPH students together to discuss program mentorship over coffee and donuts!
 - [Coming up before Spring Break. Stay on the lookout for time, date, and location information.](#)
- **Higher Education Basic Needs and Human Rights Survey**
 - This is the first-in-the-nation statewide study to assess the prevalence of food and housing insecurity among everyone (faculty, staff, and students) in public higher education institutions in New Mexico, funded by the Governor's Food Initiative and the Higher Education Department.
 - It is the creation of an interdisciplinary research team of UNM faculty, staff, and students from the Honors College, Nutrition, Population Health, Anderson and Law Schools. Your participation will help produce evidence regarding the health of the higher education workforce, and reveal additional information concerning food and housing insecurity among our students, not just at UNM but within higher education across the state. The data will be used to inform the Basic Needs Grand Challenge and the creation of evidence-based interventions. Questions can be directed to Dr. Sarita Cargas at basicneeds@unm.edu.
 - [Available here: Human Rights Survey](#), open from [Feb 15–March 1](#).
- **Opportunities**

- **Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR)**
 - **CBPR**, and related-Participatory Action Research (PAR) & Community-Engaged Research (CEnR), is defined as a "collaborative approach that equitably involves all partners....with the aim of combining knowledge and action for social change to improve health and eliminate health disparities" (Kellogg Foundation). Not simply a set of research methods, CBPR, or community-engaged research fundamentally changes the relationship between researchers and the researched.
 - For graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, faculty, researchers, community partners/researchers, academic-community teams, health professionals, scholar-activists, and others. This is an intensive co-learning institute to explore how CBPR intersects with indigenous and critical methodologies, including the challenges for academics and community members to co-construct knowledge for improved health equity.
 - Set to take place [May 17th & May 22nd-26th, 2023](#)
 - If not enrolled for credit: \$1050 for faculty/researchers; \$700 for research staff or health/social service professionals; \$600 for non-credit students/fellows; \$300 for community members.
 - *For more information, please contact DoDTenorio@salud.unm.edu or see materials attached to the email this newsletter was embedded in.*
- **Research Assistant (RA) Opportunity for March 2023**
 - To help with a study examining competitive foods in 6 public schools at 2 hours per school during school hours.
 - 20 hours total for \$20/hr
 - Please reach out to Dr. Juliana Cohen @ jcohen@hsph.harvard.edu (She will also be in town [March 19-25](#)).
- **Policy Associate- Caring Across Generations**
 - Apply here: [https://urldefense.com/v3/https://caringacross.org/job/policy-associate/_;!!KXH1hvEXyw!bua7bStTZL3ucOKs2y9Qv5vxjJWCyfwndAPQnuxNmpwXk6a-C4mL_GfDkh5Va2plz0Pu6eYjdJ1y9JX9DmW3XPT\\$](https://urldefense.com/v3/https://caringacross.org/job/policy-associate/_;!!KXH1hvEXyw!bua7bStTZL3ucOKs2y9Qv5vxjJWCyfwndAPQnuxNmpwXk6a-C4mL_GfDkh5Va2plz0Pu6eYjdJ1y9JX9DmW3XPT$)
- **State of the Public Health Union**
 - Address themes of diversity, equity, and inclusion in all policies including prevention, reproductive rights, environmental justice, and occupational safety and health. There will be several guest speakers at this event.
 - Register here: [State of the Public Health Union \(apha.org\)](https://www.apha.org/state-of-the-public-health-union)
 - [Friday, February 17th, 2023 from 3:30-5pm](#)
- **PHSA T-Shirts**
 - We still have some [PHSA Salud Bowl T-shirts](#) left from our fundraiser event. If you are interested in buying a t-shirt, please email me at iznadeem@salud.unm.edu with a size

and color choice of black or white.

- T-shirts are \$15
- We currently have 1 XL, 1 L, 3 M, 2 S in white and 2 XL, 2 L, 2 M in black.

Getting Involved

- **Health Sciences Student Council (HSSC)**

- February Meeting Updates

- UNM PA Program Overview*

- The mission of the UNM PA Program is to educate PA students to become exemplary providers with a focus on primary care medicine for the underserved and rural populations of New Mexico.

- Legislative Session*

- This presentation gives HSC students with an interest in policy and advocacy a look at the components and etiquette expected of health profession students expected when going to the New Mexico Legislature on behalf of your program.

- Student Research Day Keynote Speaker: Marco Venniro, PhD

- Dr. Venniro is an assistant professor in the Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. His research focuses on connecting addiction neuroscience with decision-making and social behavior.

- [March 3rd, 2023 from 12 pm-1pm @ Nursing/Pharmacy Bldg Room 135 \(Auditorium\)](#)

- HSSC North Campus Lobo Food Pantry

- Located in the Dominici student lounge, the new HSSC Lobo Food Pantry is open to all HSC students in need of supplies including snacks, food to take with, and other goodies.

- *If you would like to make a donation(s), please reach out to HSSCPresident@salud.unm.edu or PHSA.*

(* = See materials [attached to the email this newsletter was embedded in](#) for more information.)

- Upcoming March Meeting

- [Monday, March 6th from 6:00 pm- 7:00 pm @ Domenici Center Room 2710](#)

- Any HSC student is able to attend virtually or in-person. Dinner will be provided.

- Zoom link: <https://hsc-unm.zoom.us/j/93395611429>

- Meeting ID: 933 9561 1429
- Passcode: HSSC

- See the link below for schedule & semester events:
<https://hsc.unm.edu/academic-affairs/resources/student-council/events-meetings.html>

- **The New Mexico Public Health Association (NMPHA)**

- Meetings are on **Fridays!**
- **NMPHA Annual Conference: May 18-19th, 2023**
 - *Open for proposal submission to share your work that you are doing in the state with the community!*
 - Submissions due: **Friday, February 17th, 2023 by 5pm**
 - Contact Leah Sanchez, leah.sanchez@nmpha.org for questions.
 - Register here: [New Mexico Public Health Association - Home \(wildapricot.org\)](http://wildapricot.org)
- **Interested in becoming a member of NMPHA?**
 - *The New Mexico Public Health Association (NMPHA), founded in 1917, is a private, non-profit membership association of individuals and organizations committed to a vision of New Mexico as a place where the resources, socioeconomic conditions, and environment exist in which all people can be healthy.*
 - Click here to become a member and get updates on future meetings and events: [New Mexico Public Health Association - Become a Member \(nmpha.org\)](http://nmpha.org)

Helpful Links

- MPH Students are invited to join us on **Discord** to connect with other students by clicking:
<https://discord.gg/SMdYaeA7>
- Monthly Comment Box!
 - USE THIS LINK FOR COMMENTS: <https://forms.gle/nf47mEv6edFaL6dc7>
- PHSA ZOOM LINK for all meetings (unless otherwise noted) and get-togethers:
 - <https://unm.zoom.us/j/6527649224>
- MPH list-serve:
<https://list.unm.edu/cgi-bin/wa?TICKET=NzM4NDMwIGI6bmFkZWVtQFNBTfVELIVO TS5FRFUgTVBILUwglD4feuAZidT%2B&c=SIGNOFF>

Student Submissions

Send your submissions to agdewromero@salud.unm.edu & iznadeem@salud.unm.edu to be included in next month's newsletter! We would love to feature your research or research you found to be interesting!