Preparing for the Impacts of a Changing Climate on Public Health in New Jersey: A Workshop for Public Health Practitioners

Friday, June 3, 2016 • 8:30 AM -1:00 PM
Rutgers University Bloustein School of Planning & Public Policy - 33 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ 08825
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(Registration is required but there is no registration fee)
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Join us for a half day workshop on June 3, 2016 to learn about how a changing climate may affect public health in New Jersey and about strategies to better prepare New Jersey’s public health practitioners and professionals to address these impacts.

Climate change presents serious challenges to public health in New Jersey as well as in the United States and around world. The multidimensional impacts of projected climate change include direct health effects of more frequent, intense, and longer-lasting heat waves that also worsen risks of drought, wildfire, and air pollution risks; increasing heavy rain events, more intense storms, and changes in precipitation patterns that lead to drought and ecosystem changes, and rising sea levels that intensify coastal flooding and storm surge.

The workshop will provide an overview of how a changing climate may affect human health, the latest research on public health implications of climate change, and leading efforts around the U.S. to prepare public health professionals and agencies to address impacts from climate change. A panel of New Jersey public health practitioners will discuss challenges and opportunities and lay out possible next steps for action in New Jersey.

AGENDA

8:30 AM     Registration and continental breakfast

9:00 AM     Welcome and overview of the session
            Marjorie Kaplan, Dr.P.H. Associate Director; Rutgers Climate Institute

9:15-10:00 AM  Climate Trends in New Jersey
            Professor Anthony Broccoli, Ph.D. Department of Environmental Sciences; Rutgers University

10:00-10:30 AM  Implications of a Changing Climate on Public Health in New Jersey
            Jerald Fagliano, Ph.D., M.P.H., Associate Clinical Professor and Chair; Department of Environmental and Occupational Health, Dornsife School of Public Health, Drexel University.

10:30-10:45 AM  Break and snacks

10:45-11:15 AM  Overview of Innovative Efforts Across the U.S. – Facilitated by Jeanne Herb, Associate Director; Environmental Analysis and Communications Group, Rutgers University Bloustein School
            George Luber, Ph.D. Chief; Climate and Health Program, Division of Environmental Hazards and Health Effects, National Center for Environmental Health, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

11:15 AM -NOON Experiences in Other States – Facilitated by Robert Laumbach, M.D., M.P.H., C.I.H, Associate Professor; Department of Environmental and Occupational Health, Rutgers University School of Public Health
            • Building a scalable and sustainable approach to evaluate climate-related health impacts in Massachusetts - Marc Nascarella, Director; Environmental Toxicology Program, Bureau of Environmental Health, Massachusetts Department of Public Health
            • Implementing the BRACE Framework in Florida - Kristina Kintziger, Environmental Consultant, Florida BRACE Program, Public Health Research Unit, Florida Department of Health

12:00-12:20 PM  Challenges Facing Communities in New Jersey - Amy Goldsmith, New Jersey Director; Clean Water Action

12:20-1:00 PM  Challenges and Opportunities in New Jersey: A Panel Discussion of New Jersey Public Health Professionals – Facilitated by Colette Lamothe-Galette, Acting Director of Population Health, New Jersey Department of Health
            • Kevin McNally; New Jersey Public Health Association
            • David Henry, New Jersey Association of County and City Health Officials
            • George DiFerdinando, MD, MPH, Adjunct Professor, Rutgers School of Public Health, Chair, Princeton Board of Health