



Wednesday, 04/21/2021

Free ToP Facilitation Methods Training - A Great Opportunity

Technology of Participation® (ToP) training provides structured facilitation methods to help groups think, talk and work together. ToP methods are great tools to use to help foster collaboration in decision-making and action among individuals, organizations or communities.

In particular, ToP methods allow groups to:

- Host meaningful conversations that result in shared decisions or resolve.
- Reach consensus and focus on areas of shared agreement rather than get stuck in disagreement.
- Hear all voices and leverage group wisdom.
- Recognize and honor contributions of all.
- Let groups deal with more data in less time.
- Pool individual contributions into larger more informative patterns.
- Foster strategic thinking that leverages the group wisdom and creativity.
- Promote high levels of group ownership for the resulting plan.
- Welcome diversity while minimizing polarization and conflict.

ToP methods are ideal for engaging community members and partners in working to identify and advance policy solutions to health inequities. Public offerings of these courses are quite expensive, so take advantage of these upcoming offerings for your staff and subcontractors who are at least 50% FTE on your CalFresh Healthy Living program.

Free ToP Facilitation Methods Training - A Great Opportunity (continued)

Visit the CalFresh Healthy Living Training & Events Calendar for more information.

- April 20-23 ToP Secrets of Implementation
- May 3-22 ToP Facilitation Methods Online Intensive
- May 10-14 ToP Strategic Planning
- May 25 ToP Accelerated Action Planning
- June 21-24 ToP Secrets of Implementation
- July 8 ToP Accelerated Action Planning

Planning for Health Equity - Discussion Series

Join us for this three-part series about the use of assessments, community engagement and cross-sector collaboration to advance health equity. Hear brief, first-hand accounts of how CalFresh Healthy Living local implementers used these strategies to identify and address health inequities in their counties. Then join lively, 45-minute breakout sessions to ask questions, get answers and generally talk about the health equity work you are doing.

#1. May 5, 1:00 - 3:30pm

The Magic of Assessments: How to Uncover Health Disparities & Build Local Support to Address Them in Rural California

#2. May 12, 10:00 - 11:30am

Health in Transportation: Advancing Health Equity through Cross-Sector Collaboration

#3. May 19, 10:00 – 11:30am

Achieving Health Equity through Asset Based Community Engagement

For additional information, contact Annette DiPirro at Annette.DiPirro@cdph.ca.gov or Dalene Branson at Dalene.Branson@cdph.ca.gov.

CalFresh Healthy Living Training Resources

Check out the [training resources webpage](#) for the latest training information and calendar of scheduled events.

Around the Table Training Program

April 21st, May 13th, May 26th and June 9th (Must Attend All)

Champion Provider Fellowship Webinar

May 4th

The Magic of Assessments: How to Uncover Health Disparities & Build Local Support to Address Them in Rural California

May 5th

Implementing a Plan, Shop, Save & Cook Lesson

May 6th

Health in Transportation: Advancing Health Equity through Cross-Sector Collaboration

May 12th

Achieving Health Equity through Asset Based Community Engagement

May 19th

Champion Provider Fellowship LHD Call

May 20th

ToP Accelerated Action Planning Online

May 25th

Public Health Reaching Across Sectors (PHRASES) Toolkit

Jun 10th

Nutrition Pantry Program for Implementers Training

Jun 17th and Jul 1st (Must Attend Both)

ToP Secrets of Implementation – Pandemic Edition

Jun 21st

CalFresh Healthy Living Training Resources (continued)

ToP Accelerated Action Planning – Online

Jul 8th

Champion Provider Fellowship – Quarterly LHD Technical Assistance Call

Aug 19th

Champion Provider Fellowship Webinar – Structured Physical Activity (ParkRx)

Sep 1st

A Taste of Success: Food Tasting and Recipe Demonstrations

Ongoing

Breakthrough Messaging for CalFresh Healthy Living LIAs

Ongoing

CalFresh Healthy Living – Building Blocks for Success

Ongoing

Health and Disability 101 Training for Health Department Employees

Ongoing

Including People with Disabilities: Public Health Workforce Competencies

Ongoing

Online Civil Rights Training

Ongoing

Peer Exchange Program

Ongoing

Systems Approaches for Healthy Communities

Ongoing

Trauma Basics and the Relationship to Nourishment

Ongoing

2020 Virtual Promising Practice Exchange – Session Recordings

Ongoing

New SNAP-Ed Guidance for Federal Fiscal Year 2022 is Released

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has released the [federal fiscal year \(FFY\) 2022 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program-Education \(SNAP-Ed\) Plan Guidance](#) (SNAP-Ed Guidance). This document provides annual guidance updates to states for developing and submitting SNAP-Ed State Plans and FNS expectations regarding state SNAP-Ed requirements including examples of allowable activities. Sections of the SNAP-Ed Guidance may be broadened providing additional clarification or instructions. A list of revisions including new content is available on page 1 of the SNAP-Ed Guidance.

California Department of Public Health, CalFresh Healthy Living is highlighting several SNAP-Ed Guidance updates:

- Clarification on the role of SNAP-Ed in creating sustainable, long-term PSE change, page 19
- New definition for retail locations, page 43
- Clarification of requirements for community garden SNAP-Ed activities, page 89

The [FFY 2022 SNAP-Ed Guidance](#) supersedes all prior versions and can be accessed on the [USDA, SNAP-Ed Connection](#) website under [Program Administration Guidance and Templates](#).

Please direct any questions to your assigned project officer.

Smarter Lunchrooms Movement of California in 2021 and Beyond

Are you looking to conduct Smarter Lunchrooms Movement or Smarter Mealtimes activities?

Connect with your Peers!

Currently, the CalFresh Healthy Living Statewide Training Team is offering opportunities to connect with your peers and learn how they have been continuing their Smarter Lunchrooms Movement and Smarter Mealtimes work through the Peer Exchange Program. To sign-up for an opportunity to learn from your peers, or if you have Smarter Lunchrooms Movement or Smarter Mealtimes experience you would like to share, please complete the [PEP application](#) and a Statewide Training representative will contact you about next steps.

Other Upcoming Smarter Lunchrooms Movement Learning Opportunities & Resources

This summer, the CalFresh Healthy Living Statewide Training Team, in collaboration with the Smarter Lunchrooms Movement of California, is planning events to support your Smarter Lunchrooms Movement and Smarter Mealtimes work on school campuses, and in early care and education settings. With this school year nearly complete, we are looking ahead to the 2021-2022 school year and are planning two “communities of practice” this summer – one on the Smarter Lunchrooms Movement and another on Smarter Mealtimes. Communities of practice provides an opportunity to learn and share about how local CalFresh Healthy Living agencies are successfully implementing Smarter Lunchrooms Movement and Smarter Mealtimes activities.

If you would like to share on your agency’s Smarter Lunchrooms Movement work or have specific topics/questions you would like addressed, please email the Statewide Training Team at CASNAP-EdTraining@cdph.ca.gov.

Community of Practice Resource

In December 2020, the Smarter Lunchrooms Movement of California Collaborative held a community of practice to showcase how some agencies are continuing their Smarter Lunchrooms Movement work during the COVID-19 pandemic.

For a link to the recording of the December 2020 community of practice or for further information or questions about the Smarter Lunchrooms Movement and Smarter Mealtimes, email the Statewide Training Team at CASNAP-EdTraining@cdph.ca.gov.