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| The [**Directors of Health Promotion and Education (DHPE)**](http://www.dhpe.org), in collaboration with **Oregon Health Authority,** welcomes you to the Systems Change for Health™ Competency Based Training Program. This training initiative was developed recognizing that health problems are heavily influenced by policies and environments that either sustain healthy behaviors and practices or fail to support healthy choices. We are pleased to offer the Systems Change for Health™ training entitled:**[Introduction to the Systems Change Process](http://www.dhpe.org/?page=Programs_SPHIntro)**This introductory course orients participants to the policy change process, including how a local or state coalition might influence both policy development and implementation. Through interactive exercises, lecture, and group discussion, participants become familiar with five topics: 1) defining social/health problems; 2) policy analysis to identify solutions; 3) advocacy to influence the policy process; 4) bureaucratic implementation of an enacted policy; and 5) evaluation of policy change.The workshop will rely on multiple learning styles including experiential activities (e.g., role play, small group exercises, individual reflection), as well as PowerPoint slides and written materials. Emphasis will be on exploring the concepts and practicing techniques. Facilitators will guide the small group activities and ensure that participants learn from the collective skills and experience present at the training. DHPE is approved as a provider of continuing education contact hours (CECH), Category I in health education by the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc. (NCHEC). This course is approved for 4.5 CECH (1.5 of 4.5 are advanced-level MCHES).**Date: September 17, 2015****Time:**  **9:00 AM – 4:00 PM****Location:**  **DoubleTree Portland****1000 NE Multnomah Street****Portland, OR 97232**There is no cost for this training but space is limited. Please communicate directly to Shira Pope at shira.r.pope@state.or.us to confirm your interest in attending. **Registration** **information** will be available soon. For more information regarding our training program go to [**http://www.dhpe.org**](http://www.dhpe.org)**.**

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