

# YEAR



National Community Health  
Worker Training Center

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# REVIEW:

# 2020

NATIONAL COMMUNITY  
HEALTH WORKER TRAINING  
CENTER

# TRAINING CENTER HIGHLIGHTS

2020 was a difficult and challenging year for the National CHW Training Center as well as CHWs around the nation. The COVID-19 pandemic started in early 2020, causing shutdowns and virtual meetings for the rest of the year. The team began working exclusively virtually and began training exclusively virtually as well. Even though the NCHWTC faced these challenges, the team still found meaningful ways to connect to the CHW community and the pandemic gave light to the importance of CHWs and their work.

Accomplishments and celebrations include:

- Having a larger reach to the CHW community due to virtual access
- Conducting a virtual Tobacco Cessation training in both English (June 15-19) and Spanish (June 22-28)
- Conducting a virtual Diabetes, Obesity, Nutrition, and Exercise (DONE) training in both English and Spanish for Texas CHWs in November 2020
- Started CHW Spotlight where we identified amazing CHWs in the field
- Ms. Jacqueline McLeeland completed her practicum with the center during Summer 2020, where she researched CHW practices related to Maternal and Child health
- Conducted successful CHW/CHWI courses for Spring 2020
- Redesigned and rerecorded the CHW and CHWI classes all of 2020 to prepare for new and improved 2021 courses

# TRAINING CENTER PROJECTS

## **OVW FOW CHWs (Rural Community Matters Project)**

Montalvo, Martinez

The Friends of Women want to increase accessibility of services to victims of sexual assault in Cameron County in conjunction with Texas A&M University and other local law enforcement agencies in the area. The project was proposed December 2020 and will continue to be evolving as time goes on.

## **Tobacco Cessation**

Martinez, Gonzales, Chen

The Tobacco Cessation project aims to have a maternal and child health-focused curriculum that educates on different tobacco types, the dangers of tobacco, the specific and unique barriers to maternal and child health with tobacco use, and more. The center was able to conduct a highly successful virtual Tobacco Cessation training during June 2020 which was able to serve both English and Spanish-speakers. The project will be consisting of further trainings as time goes on.

## **ACTION 2.0 (Access to Cancer Treatment Information, Outreach, and Navigation)**

### **Bolin and Martinez**

The ACTION 2.0 project is a continuation of the previous ACTION project, which sought to educate on various cancer types such as breast, colorectal, and cervical cancer. ACTION 2.0 expands that education to include liver and lung cancer. The delivery of the ACTION content will be in progress as time goes on and the delivery and recording of the CEU content will continue to be ongoing.

## NEW CURRICULA

- Tobacco Cessation 4.0 CEUs
- DONE Training 8.0 CEUs/4.0 CEUs

## PRESENTATIONS & CONFERENCES

- **Dallas/Fort Worth CHW Conference**
  - October 2, 2020
- **Texas Association of Promotores (TAP)CHW Conference**
  - September 28-30, 2020
- **American Public Health Association Conference**
  - October 24-28, 2020

**\*\*\*All conferenced held virtually due to pandemic**