

COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER STATE CONTACTS

	Institution	Background	Contact
Alabama	The Wellness Coalition	The Wellness Coalition's Community Health Worker program trains CHWs are Certified Application Counselors for the Health Insurance Marketplace and will certified as Alabama Medicaid Application Assisters.	The Wellness Coalition: (334) 293-6493
Alaska	Community Health Aide Program Certification Board; Alaska Community Health Aide Program	Community Health Aides (CHAs) must complete 3 sessions of training and 200 hours of approved field work with at least 60 patient encounters. The CHA must also complete a post session learning needs (PSLN) identifying areas for skill improvement along with a post session practice checklist identifying the skills to be taught.	Alaska CHAP, Office of Statewide Services: akchap@anthc.org (907) 729-4584
Arizona	Arizona Department of Health Services; Arizona Western Community College; Central Arizona College; College of Health Careers	CHW certificate programs are offered through 3 colleges throughout Arizona. Training is not standardized and falls anywhere from 19-21 hours for a certificate to 64 hours for an associate in applied science.	Yanitza Soto, CHW Program Manager, Arizona Department of Health Services: Yanitza.soto@azdhs.gov (602) 542-8261

Arkansas	Arkansas Prevention Research Center/Arkansas Community Health Workers Association/Tri-County Rural Health	A seven week basic community health worker training is offered through the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, College of Public Health.	Fay W. Boozman College of Public Health (501) 526-6614
California	City College of San Francisco; Santa Rosa Junior College; Berkeley City College; Mission College; Project Concern International	California does not have a uniform CHW training standard. Five colleges offer varying CHW programs. The California Association of Community Health Workers should be contacted for training resources.	Carol West, California Association of Community Health Workers carolwestchw@gmail.com (707) 763-3260
Colorado	N/A		

<p style="text-align: center;">Connecticut</p>	<p>Albertus Magnus College, New Haven Central Connecticut State University, New Britain Eastern Connecticut State University, Willimantic Gateway Community College Goodwin College, East Hartford Quinnipiac University, Hamden Sacred Heart University, Fairfield Southern Connecticut State University, New Haven University of Connecticut, Storrs University of St Joseph, West Hartford Western Connecticut State</p>	<p>Connecticut does not have a uniform CHW training standard, but varying CHW programs are offered through community colleges across the state.</p>	<p>Eastern Area Health Education Center (AHEC): ctahec@uchc.edu (860) 679-7969 https://healthcareersinct.com/health-career-listings/public-health/outreach-worker/</p>
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	University, Danbury Yale School of Public Health, New Haven		
Delaware	N/A		
Florida	The Florida Certification Board (FCB)	To apply for certification, you must document at least 500 hours of paid or volunteer CHW experience, document at least 30 hours of training in the core competencies in the past five years, and submit two letters of reference validating the experience and training. After the application process, a passing score must be achieved on a FCB exam. There are no approved training programs.	Florida Certification Board (850) 222-6314
Georgia	Georgia Clinical & Translational Science Alliance, Medicine, Community Engagement Research Program (CERP)/Moreh ouse School of Medicine	The Georgia Clinical & Translational Science Alliance Community Engagement Research Program (CERP) recruits, trains, and employs CHWs in initiatives focused on chronic diseases.	Georgia Clinical & Translational Science Alliance: georgiactsa@emory.edu (404) 727-9296 http://georgiactsa.org/news-and-events/news/2015/community/community-health-worker/index.html Gail G. McCray, Program Manager/Instructor, Prevention Research Center, Department of Community Health and Preventive Medicine at Morehouse School of Medicine gmcrcray@msm.edu (404) 752-1645

<p>Hawaii</p>	<p>University of Hawai'i, Maui College; Kapi'olani Community College</p>	<p>The University of Hawai'i and Kapi'olani Community College offer a 15 credit, 2 semester CHW program, with a hands-on internship/practicum. Completion of the program concludes with a certificate of competence.</p>	<p>University of Hawai'i Maui College: (808) 984-3500 https://maui.hawaii.edu/communityhealth/</p> <p>Kapi'olani Community College hlthsci@hawaii.edu (808) 734-9224 https://www.kapiolani.hawaii.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/CO-CHW-Program-Admissions-and-Advising_2019.pdf</p>
<p>Idaho</p>	<p>Idaho Department of Health and Welfare/Idaho State University</p>	<p>The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare offers a 13-week, 48-hour training program through the Idaho State University. The course concludes with a certificate of completion.</p>	<p>ISU Institute of Emergency Management (IEM) (CHW housed within) idiem@isu.edu (208) 373-1766 https://www.isu.edu/idiem/chw-frequently-asked-questions/</p>

<p>Illinois</p>	<p>South Suburban College; Harper College; Malcolm X College</p>	<p>Illinois offers CHW certificates through colleges, with programs varying from school to school. South Suburban College has 3 CHW certificates: CHW basic certificate (15 hours), CHW certificate (32 hours), and CHW degree (61 hours). Harper College has a 17 credit hour CHW program, including a 3 hour practicum. Malcolm X College offers a 16 credit hour CHW program, with a 4 hour field experience.</p>	<p>South Suburban College, Office of Admissions: (708) 210-5718 https://www.ssc.edu/academics/programs-of-study/allied-health-careers/community-health-worker/</p> <p>Harper College, Admissions Outreach: (847) 925-6700</p> <p>Valerie Walker: vwalker@harpercollege.edu</p> <p>https://www.harpercollege.edu/academics/health/community-health/index.php</p> <p>Malcolm X College: (312) 850-7000 http://www.ccc.edu/colleges/malcolm-x/programs/Pages/Community-Healthcare-Worker-Basic-Certificate.aspx</p> <p>Illinois CHW Association: (312) 878-7015 chicagochwlocalnetwork@gmail.com</p>
<p>Indiana</p>	<p>Indiana Community Health Workers Association (INCHWA)</p>	<p>Indiana Community Health Workers Association (INCHWA) is the certifying body for CHWs, designated by the Indiana State Department of Health. The state approves training vendors to train CHWs using a standardized 45 hour curriculum.</p>	<p>Indiana Community Health Workers Association (INCHWA)</p> <p>(317) 721-1181 incommunityhealth@gmail.com</p> <p>https://inchwa.org/education/</p>
<p>Iowa</p>	<p>Iowa Chronic Care Consortium</p>	<p>The Iowa Chronic Care Consortium and Community Health Worker Alliance of Iowa offer a 3 day CHW training with an end-of-training certificate.</p>	<p>Amy Finstaf, IOWA CCC amy.finstaf@iowacc.com (515) 988-3332</p> <p>Shelley Horak, IOWA CCC sgwn703@gmail.com</p> <p>http://iowacc.com/core-training/</p>

<p>Kansas</p>	<p>Kansas Community Health Worker Coalition</p>	<p>Kansas does not have formal training or certificate programs, but the Kansas Community Health Worker Coalition offers free training webinars, including one covering core competencies, at the following link: https://kschw.org/chw-resources/.</p>	<p>Kansas Community Health Worker Coalition: https://kschw.org/</p>
<p>Kentucky</p>	<p>University of Kentucky College of Medicine, Center of Excellence in Rural Health</p>	<p>The Kentucky CHW curriculum consists of 40 hours of training and an 80 hour practicum within 3 months.</p>	<p>Mace Baker, Kentucky Homeplace Director mace.baker.uky.edu (606) 439-2557</p> <p>https://ruralhealth.med.uky.edu/training-1 https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dpqi/cdpb/Pages/chwp.aspx</p>
<p>Louisiana</p>	<p>Louisiana Community Health Worker Institute</p>	<p>Tulane's medical school hosts the Louisiana Community Health Worker Training Institute.</p>	<p>Ashley Wennerstrom, Director, Louisiana Community Health Worker Institute</p> <p>awenners@tulane.edu (504) 988-4007</p> <p>https://news.tulane.edu/news/new-training-community-health-workers</p>
<p>Maine</p>	<p>Maine Centers for Disease Control /Maine Mobile Health Program /Inland Hospital; MCD Public Health</p>	<p>Maine Mobile Health Program offer a 40-hour CHW core competency training concluding with a certificate of completion.</p>	<p>Benjamin Hummel bhummel@mainemobile.org</p> <p>https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/pht/documents/chw-core-competency-training-2017.pdf</p>

Maryland	Maryland Area Health Education Center (MAHEC)/Community Health Worker Training Center- housed within the University of Maryland School of Medicine	The Maryland Area Health Education Center (MAHEC) serves as the CHW training and support center state-wide. The training program is a 160 hour program, with 40 hours of this being a practicum. A formal certification does not exist, but a bill was passed in 2018 to initiate a statewide CHW certification.	Maryland AHEC Program (667) 214-1877 https://www.medschool.umaryland.edu/mahec/Community-Health-Worker-Training-Institute/ http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/2018RS/chapters_noln/Ch_441_sb0163T.pdf
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<p>Massachusetts</p>	<p>Board of Certification of Community Health Workers; Boston Community Health Education Center; Lowell Community Health Education Center; Outreach Worker Training Institute, Holyoke Community College, DPH Patient Navigator Training Course; Northern Essex Community College; JRI Health; Berkshire Community College</p>	<p>Massachusetts offers a statewide board for certification. To apply for certification, an applicant must have completed 4,000 hours of work experience or a Board approved training program and 2,000 hours of work experience.</p>	<p>Office of Community Health Workers:</p> <p>chwinfo@state.ma.us</p> <p>https://www.mass.gov/service-details/certification-for-community-health-workers</p> <p>https://www.mass.gov/service-details/training-information-for-community-health-workers</p>
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<p>Michigan</p>	<p>Michigan Community Health Worker Alliance; Michigan Community Health Worker Alliance</p>	<p>Training programs are offered through MiCHWA. A registry has been created for certification-eligible persons, but certification is not yet available.</p>	<p>Priscilla Hohmann, Michigan Community Health Worker Alliance (MiCHWA): priscilla@michwa.org (724) 998-6042</p> <p>https://www.michwa.org/chw-training/</p>
<p>Minnesota</p>	<p>Minneapolis Community and technical college; Minnesota west community and technical college; Normandale community college, Northwest Technical College, Rochester Community and Technical College; St. Catherine University; Summit Academy OIC</p>	<p>Minnesota has a state-wide postsecondary CHW curriculum used in 7 community colleges. Certification is received from the recognized schools.</p>	<p>Will Wilson, Minnesota Department of Health 651-201-3842</p> <p>https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/ruralhealth/merging/chw/index.html</p>
<p>Mississippi</p>	<p>Tougaloo College</p>	<p>Tougaloo College offers core competency training and community health worker certification.</p>	<p>CHW Certification Program (601) 987-9463</p> <p>https://www.tougaloo.edu/administration/health-and-wellness/central-mississippi-area-health-education-center/programs</p>

<p>Missouri</p>	<p>Metropolitan Community College Kansas City St. Louis Community College Ozark Technical Community College Southeast Missouri State University State Fair Community College Moberly Area Community College</p>	<p>Missouri has a standardized set of core competencies and curriculum that are taught through state community colleges. No certification is available.</p>	<p>Missouri Department of Health & Senior Services info@health.mo.gov (573) 751-6400</p> <p>https://health.mo.gov/professionals/community-health-workers/</p> <p>https://mcckc.edu/programs/community-health-worker/certificate.aspx</p>
<p>Montana</p>	<p>Montana State University</p>	<p>Montana Office of Rural Health and Area Health Education Center (AHEC) offer a 7 week, 85-hour CHW training, with a 25-hour field experience. Participants can register with their regional AHEC training provider. Participants must be sponsored by an employer prior to beginning of the course.</p>	<p>Montana AHEC (406) 994-6003</p> <p>Beth Ann Carter, Montana State University beth.carter@montana.edu (406) 925-1261</p> <p>http://healthinfo.montana.edu/workforce-development/CHW_TrainingInformation.html</p> <p>https://www.montanahealthnetwork.com/ahec-program-detail-17</p>
<p>Nebraska</p>	<p>Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services</p>	<p>Offers free online program with 3 on-site training days. A capstone must also be completed.</p>	<p>Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services: (402) 471-3121</p> <p>http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Health-Navigation.aspx</p>

Nevada	Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health/ College of Southern Nevada/Truckee Meadows Community College; Nevada Community Health Worker Association.	The Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) hosts a CHW program. DPBH partnered with the College of Southern Nevada and Truckee Meadows Community College to create a curriculum. The curriculum is used to train CHWs on an "as-needed" basis and concludes with a certificate of completion. DPBH also recognizes training offered by the Nevada Community Health Worker Association.	Amanda Santos, CHW Coordinator (775) 684-4092 asantos@health.nv.gov http://dpbh.nv.gov/Programs/CHW/Community_Health_Worker - Home/
New Hampshire	Southern New Hampshire Area Health Education Center (AHEC)	Southern New Hampshire AHEC offers a 7 day, 8-hour CHW course.	Gina Savinelli, South NH AHEC (603) 895-1514 x2 http://www.snhahcec.org/Community-Health-Workers.cfm
New Jersey	Rutgers School of Management and Labor Relations	Rutgers School of Management and Labor Relations, through a partnership with the New Jersey Health Care Talent Network, offers a CHW training program for unemployed New Jersey residents.	https://smlr.rutgers.edu/content/community-health-worker-training-program

<p>New Mexico</p>	<p>The New Mexico Department of Health, Office of Community Health Workers</p>	<p>The Office of Community Health Workers has a standard training curriculum that is used in training facilities. Certification requires the completion of a training approved by OCHW or verification of proficiency of the core competencies through grandfathering. Grandfathering requires documentation of 2,000 paid or volunteer CHW work and 2 letters of reference. Specialty tracks are available for both methods of CHW certification.</p>	<p>Carol Hanson, Program Director, OCHW carol.hanson@state.nm.us (505) 222-8685</p> <p>Jamie Baca, Training Coordinator, OCHW jamie.baca@state.nm.us (505) 841-5883</p> <p>Dorothea Martinez, Certification Coordinator, OCHW dorothea.martinez@state.nm.us (505) 841-5849</p> <p>https://nmhealth.org/about/phd/hsb/ochw/</p>
<p>New York</p>	<p>New York Alliance for Careers in Healthcare/Bronx Lebanon Hospital/LaGuardia Community College; Make the Road New York</p>	<p>The New York Alliance for Careers in Healthcare, in partnership with Bronx Lebanon Hospital Center and LaGuardia Community College, offer a 6 month CHW apprenticeship program that includes on-the-job training at Bronx Lebanon Hospital Center while receiving classroom instruction at LaGuardia Community College.</p> <p>8-week trainings are also offered 4 times a year through Make the Road New York, as well as through the Community Health Worker Network of New York City</p>	<p>Community Health Worker Network of NYC sergio@chwnetwork.org (917) 653-9699</p> <p>Make the Road New York (718) 418-7690</p> <p>https://nyachnyc.org/about-us/vision-mission/</p> <p>https://hepfree.nyc/free-8-week-community-health-worker-training-make-the-road-ny/</p> <p>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe16f13n6xKxgrpCnyuoZAYPUXv7Grn79P32SP3Jg5-H-c2QA/viewform</p>

North Carolina	North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Community Health Worker Initiative	The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services formed a standardized CHW curriculum and certification process to be piloted in Spring 2019.	Tish Singletary Community Health Worker Program Coordinator 919-527-6464 tish.singletary@dhhs.nc.gov https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/department-initiatives/healthy-opportunities/community-health-worker-initiative
North Dakota	N/A		
Ohio	Ohio Board of Nursing	Community health workers receive certification from the Ohio Board of Nursing. The Board has a list of approved CHW training programs that training must be received through prior to certification.	Ohio Board of Nursing, CHW Certification chw@nursing.ohio.gov http://www.nursing.ohio.gov/CommunityHealthWorkers.htm
Oklahoma			
Oregon	Oregon Department of Human Services; Oregon State University	Oregon Department of Human Services offers a 96-hour training and certification program. OSU offers an 85-hour CHW training program	Oregon Home Health Care Commission, CHW Certification OHCC.CHW@state.or.us 1-(877) 880-8071 OSU (541) 737-4197 https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/SENIORS-DISABILITIES/HCC/PSW-HCW/Pages/Community-Health-Worker.aspx
Pennsylvania	Temple University, Harrisburg; University of Pennsylvania, Penn Center for Community Health Workers	Temple University offers a training program consisting of 120 hours of non-credit instruction. The training program concludes with a formal CHW certification from the University. UPenn also consults on CHW training and support, offering a package of training materials for CHWs, supervisors, and program directors.	Fern Gilkerson fern.gilkerson@temple.edu https://harrisburg.temple.edu/continuing-education/community-health-training-program https://chw.upenn.edu/

Rhode Island	Rhode Island Certification Board/ Rhode Island Department of Health/ Community Health Worker Association of RI	<p>To become a certified CHW in Rhode Island, the following is required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -6 months or 1,000 hours of paid or volunteer work experience within the last 5 years -50 hours of supervised work, 70 hours of education in the specified 9 core competencies -a portfolio is submitted detailing personal and professional activities -enrollment in a community health worker training <p>State of Rhode Island Department of Health has the application here: http://www.health.ri.gov/communities/about/workers/</p> <p>Training opportunities are through the Community Health Worker Association of Rhode Island here: http://chwari.org/</p>	<p>Sarah Lawrence, Community Health Worker Association of Rhode Island: slawrence@ric.edu</p> <p>Rhode Island Department of Health: (401) 222-5960</p> <p>http://www.health.ri.gov/communities/about/workers/</p>
South Carolina	South Carolina Community Health Worker Association; Community Health Worker Institute, University of South Carolina Arnold School of Public Health	<p>The University of South Carolina, Arnold School of Public Health, hosts a six week training program with a required pass on a competency exam at the end of the curriculum period. The South Carolina Community Health Worker Association offers a certification.</p>	<p>Julie Smithwick, Community Health Worker Institute:(803) 576-8379 julie.smithwick.sc.edu</p> <p>Terri Jowers, South Carolina Community Health Worker Association: (706) 272-8398 scchws@gmail.com</p> <p>https://www.sc.edu/study/colleges_schools/public_health/research/research_centers/chw/index.php</p> <p>http://scchwa.org/about-us/</p>
South Dakota	Lake Area Technical Institute	<p>Lake Area Technical Institute offers a community health worker program, with a 5 month certificate or a 9-18 month advanced associate degree plan.</p>	<p>Lake Area Technical Institute, Admissions: (605) 882-5284</p> <p>https://www.lakeareatech.edu/academics/community-healthcare-worker/</p>
Tennessee	N/A		

Texas	National Community Health Worker Institute	The National Community Health Worker Institute offers a 24-week, 160 hour webinar-based CHW course twice a year.	Denise Martinez, National Community Health Worker Institute: chw-training@tamhsc.edu (979) 436-9360 https://nchwtc.tamhsc.edu/chwpromotora-certification-course-overview/
Utah	N/A	Utah does not have formal training or certification processes in place, but the Utah Department of Health leads a community health worker coalition made up of volunteer members.	McKell Drury, Utah Department of Health: mdrury@utah.gov (801) 538-6896
Vermont	Campaign for Action/Vermont Action Coalition	7 week/42 hour long program through State implementation program grant geared toward recent American citizens. 18 participants completed the program during the grant cycle.	N/A https://campaignforaction.org/resource/vermont-creates-program-to-train-community-health-workers/

<p>Virginia</p>	<p>Virginia Department of Health/ Virginia Certification Board/ /Virginia Community Health Worker Advisory Group /Virginia Community Health Worker Association; Institute for Public Health Innovation; VA Community Health Worker Association.</p>	<p>The state of Virginia offers certification for CHWs who have 60 hours of training in the outlined competencies, one year (or 2,000 hours) of volunteer or paid CHW work experience, with 50 of the 2,000 hours having been supervised. Training is offered by private entities, like the Institute for Public Health Innovation and VA Community Health Worker Association. There are no "approved" training centers.</p>	<p>Virginia Certification Board (804) 741-2319 info@vacertboard.org http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/vdhlivewell/certified-community-health-worker-cchw/</p>
<p>Washington</p>	<p>Washington State Department of Health</p>	<p>The Washington State Department of Health offers a free, quarterly eight week training program.</p>	<p>Washington State Department of Health, Community Health Worker Training chwts@doh.wa.gov https://www.doh.wa.gov/ForPublicHealthandHealthcareProviders/PublicHealthSystemResourcesandServices/LocalHealthResourcesandTools/CommunityHealthWorkerTrainingSystem</p>

West Virginia	West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, Center for Rural and Community Health	The West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine offers training for community health education resource persons through the Center for Rural and Community Health. Courses are available across West Virginia at two levels: Level I – Wellness and level II – Health Promotion. Participants must pass required exams at each level to receive a certificate of completion with a registry number.	Haylee Heinsberg, West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine hheinsberg@osteo.wvsom.edu (304) 647-6574
Wisconsin	Area Health Education Center (AHEC)	Wisconsin CHW training is offered through the Milwaukee Area Health Education Center (AHEC). The 100-hour training program meets in-person at the AHEC 3 times a week. The online training application can found here: https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bfoE6LRNVeBDCgR	Milwaukee Area Health Education Center (AHEC): awilliams@milahec.org (414) 344-0675 https://www.milahec.org/chw-training
Wyoming	N/A		