



MEETING: RHPP Directors, Regional Center Directors, AHEC Scholar Faculty Mentors
 DATE: April 21, 2021
 TIME: 11:00 – 11:53am
 PLACE: AHEC Zoom Meeting
 HOST: Leila Barraza
 RHPP Director Attendees: Elias Villarreal, Elizabeth Hall-Lipsy, Christy Pacheco, Marc Verhougstraete, Carlos Gonzales, Andrea Lerner
 Center Director Attendees: Jeri Byrne, Ana Roscetti, Joena Ezroj
 Other Attendees: Jennifer Zuniga, Colleen Reed, Nicole Paredes, Amanda Perkins, Sonia Cota-Robles, Nicole Ferschke, Jen Peters, Claudia Gonzalez, Jacob Gubler, Jake Schwarz, Becca Harris, Debra Ilchak, Erin Sol, Courtney Madsen

ITEM	ANNOUNCEMENT/DISCUSSION	Information provided by:
Meeting 11:00am	Welcome	Leila Barraza
Discussion	<p>CDC funding through State of Arizona is available through National Initiative to Address COVID-19 Health Disparities among Populations at High Risk & Underserved, Including Racial & Ethnic Minority Populations and Rural Communities. UArizona/Center for Rural Health and AHEC Program Office are working on an aspect of the larger proposal. As part of the proposal, AzaAHEC is happy to collaborate with our rural partners, including the RHPPs and regional centers. As part of the application process, some information is needed in relation to subawards that AHEC Program Office would issue to the RHPPs. Some ideas for projects include developing discipline-related modules for the undergraduate AHEC Scholars and further expansion of the covid scholars' project which were presented at the IPE RHPP conference and are available on the AHEC Webiste.</p> <p>There are several operational challenges related to both the payments that can be processed to faculty mentors and their knowledge in accomplishing what is needed. Funding for mentors has been processed through RHPPs and their departments. There are many policies in place through universities that determine how/when mentors can be paid that have precluded payment as expected. We will be asking each RHPP and center director to provide input, via Qualtrics survey, as to any ideas for improvement they may have. Responses can be submitted to https://uarizona.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cBZspQMhFqLkP5Q and can be anonymous.</p> <p>Interprofessional RHPP Conference survey responses have been received and preliminary results were discussed. Day 1, collected from 76 respondents, indicated high levels of satisfaction with the highest reported for the COVID Vaccine Distribution presentation and most respondents liked the common themes around COVID and telehealth. For Day 2, collected from 55 respondents, indicated high levels of satisfaction with the highest reported for the AHEC Scholars presentation and most respondents said they liked the common themes around ASP presentations and the range and relevance of the topics. Respondents were asked about location preferences if conference is again held in person. The majority reported that they would like it to stay in Tucson.</p>	<p>Leila Barraza</p> <p>Amanda Perkins</p> <p>Sonia Cota-Robles</p>
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