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Illinois Community Health Worker Policy Update & How You Can Get Involved

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We recognize and acknowledge that we live and work in the land of the Peoria (Pea-Or-E-ah), Miami (My-Am-E), Kickapoo (KICK-a-poo), Potawatomi (Pot-tah-WAH-tah-mee), Nations.

These lands were the traditional territory of these Native Nations prior to their forced removal. They continue to carry the stories of their struggles for survival and identity today on these and other lands.

As organizations located in the Chicagoland area, we are obligated to hold these histories and contemporary struggles in our mind today as we talk about community, belonging, and health.
Illinois CHW Policy Update & How You Can Get Involved

SPEAKERS

- Leticia Boughton Price (Illinois CHW Association)
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Spotlight on CHW's
CHW Pilot Year 2 Data

Closed-Loop Referrals

Year 1
- 26%
- 247
- 954

Year 2
- 71%
- 1,834
- 2,578

New Contacts

Baseline: 875
Year 1: 5,932
Year 2: 54,211
Illinois CHW Legislation

- House Bill 158
- Senate Bill 336

- Training
- Certification
- Reimbursement
WHAT THIS MEANS NOW FOR:

- CHWS
- CHW EMPLOYERS
- CHW ALLIES
LOCAL OPPORTUNITIES

FUNDING EXAMPLES

CAREER PATHWAYS

PUBLIC & PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS
Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH) serves suburban Cook County*

- CCDPH Community Health Worker Initiative
- Funding secured through end of 2026
- Concurrent Internal & External Phases

Key Takeaways:

- Committed to supporting CBOs in hiring and training of CHWs, interorganizational collaboration and information-sharing, and advancement of advocacy for CHW policy changes.
- Funding opportunity will be announced by this Spring if not earlier
- Establishing of the suburban Cook County CHW learning collaborative

*Cook County exclusive of Chicago, Evanston, Oak Park, Skokie, and Stickney Township - 2.5 million people in 125 municipalities
please put your questions in the chat

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MORE QUESTIONS?

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LINKS & RESOURCES

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Learn more about the pilot:

“Trusted Messengers: Year 2 Learnings of Community Health Worker Pilot in Suburban Cook County”

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