NORTHWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON AFRICAN IMMIGRANT HEALTH

March 19-20, 2016

Dear Community Partner,

As a supporter of civic activities that build healthy communities, we are contacting you to request your assistance. On March 19th and 20th, 2016, Seattle will host its first annual **Northwest Regional Conference on African Immigrant Health**, entitled: **Addressing the Social Determinants of African Immigrant Health**. This event is being hosted by the Health Resources and Services Administration's Office of Regional Operations and the Office of Minority Health in Region X, and EthnoMed, which is a joint program of Harborview Medical Center and the University of Washington Health Sciences Library.

Over the past two decades, the Pacific Northwest has welcomed a large number of immigrants and refugees, and many call Idaho, Oregon and Washington home. Many trends and patterns have been identified as it relates to the health outcomes of members of these African immigrant communities, and there is evidence that there are many barriers and disparities in access to medical and behavioral health care, healthy food and healthy environments, and effective communication between providers and patients.

The Northwest Regional Conference on African Immigrant Health will highlight core competencies in service delivery as well and promote best practices that can build on the African immigrant communities' strengths. This conference will offer educational and training opportunities for public health professionals, doctors, nurses, mental health professionals, community members, community health workers, students, civic leaders and researchers.

Conference presentations will highlight topics such as behavioral health, children's health, chronic disease prevention, community health worker workforce development, cultural competency, environmental health, infectious disease, and sickle cell disease, women's health, vaccine-preventable diseases, workforce development, and research in African immigrant communities.

We are extending an invitation to your organization to provide sponsorship for this event, because of the impact that your organization has on the everyday lives of community members here in the Pacific Northwest. Your partnership and sponsorship will provide added value and benefit to the conference as well as to your organization, and will demonstrate your commitment to improving the health outcomes of the African immigrant community, and increasing the knowledge and skills of the providers who serve this community.

Being a sponsor of the Northwest Regional Conference on African Immigrant Health will provide funding for conference meeting space, conference registration fees/travel expenses for prospective attendees who are on limited or fixed incomes, conference publications, student scholarships and other conference –related expenses. We presently have no funding to support any of these items.

I have enclosed information regarding the various levels of sponsorship available, and how your agency will be featured in conference promotions and publications and at the conference. Some of the benefits of being a sponsor include waiver of registration fees, exhibit space at the conference and access to all conference events.

If you would like additional information regarding the conference or would like to discuss sponsorship opportunities, please feel free to contact me, Wendy Stevens, or any of the Planning Members listed below. Your participation, partnership and support are needed in order to make this a successful event.

Respectfully,

Wendy Stevens
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The following Planning Committee Members are available to answer any *general* questions you may have regarding the conference.

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Conference information can be found on the EthnoMed website at:

http://ethnomed.org/nwrcaih

CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY FORM

Conference sponsorship fees help to cover conference-related expenses such as meeting space, A-V technical support, conference publications, student scholarships, speaker honorariums, and travel scholarships.

Gold Level Sponsorship-\$3,000



- Includes registration for up to 4 attendees
- Company logo will appear on the NWRCAIH website
- Company information will be included in every conference attendees materials
- Vocal recognition at the conference of your company's sponsorship and generosity
- Display table for each conference day, with two chairs to share information about your company and agency to 300 attendees from various academic, community, Federal, State and Local agencies.
- Admission for 2 to the Community Hero's Award Ceremony and Reception
- Agency logo will appear on all table tent displays at the conference

Silver Level Sponsorship-\$1500



- Includes registration for up to 2 attendees
- Company logo will appear on the NWRCAIH website
- Vocal recognition at the conference of your company's sponsorship and generosity
- Display table for each conference day, with two chairs to share information about your company and agency to 300 attendees from various academic, community, Federal, State and Local agencies.

Bronze Level Sponsorship-\$1000



- Includes registration for up to 2 attendees
- Company logo will appear on the NWRCAIH website
- Display table for each conference day, with two chairs to share information about your company and agency to 300 attendees from various academic, community, Federal, State and Local agencies.

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