American Public Health Association’s Role as a CTG National Network Dissemination Grantee and Examples of Successful Worksite/Community Partnerships
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CTG Focusing on Priorities for Healthier Living

CTG concentrates on the causes of chronic disease, with awardees improving health and wellness through strategies that focus on areas such as:

- Active living and healthy eating
- Tobacco Free Living
- Clinical and community preventive services to prevent and control high blood pressure and high cholesterol
- Twenty percent of all CTG program funding is directed at programs in rural or frontier areas.
APHA Business Sector Activities to date:

In partnership with PHI and NBCH, develop and disseminate *Prevention Means Business* brief and Infographic

Community Health

According to the County Health Rankings, an annual breakdown of the health of counties in every state, there are a multitude of factors that influence health, including where people live, learn, work, and play! Improving the health of a community should be everyone’s business, and employers play a critical role in helping to build healthy communities and promote a healthy population. This Action Brief outlines the scope of community health; how health plans are addressing the issues based on data from eValue8™ — a resource used by purchasers to track health plan performance — and actions employers can take to partner with others and invest in the health of a community through sustainable and evidence-based interventions.

WHAT'S THE ISSUE?

THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT'S PREVENTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH FUND IS WORKING TO ADDRESS FACTORS THAT

- For every $1 spent on prevention, $5.60 is saved in health spending. A $16 billion savings within five years."
Other Activities:

- Webinars directed towards public health and business community and need for effective partnerships

- Utilize champions in business community to highlight workplace and community based health improvement strategies.

- Work with partnerships to disseminate information and garner support for use of findings from information and tools within the business community.
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<td>Reduce number of heart attacks and strokes by 1 Million by 2017</td>
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<td>CDC Worksite Health ScoreCard</td>
<td>Provide evidence-based evaluation tool for assessing workplace wellness</td>
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<td>Quitline</td>
<td>Free tobacco cessation resource – frequently incorporated into employer wellness programs</td>
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<td>Healthiest State Initiative (Iowa)</td>
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<td>Healthy Maine Partnerships Good Work! Toolkit</td>
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MoveWELL

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**Goals:**
- Prevent and reduce obesity
- Increase physical activity

**Lancaster County Priorities:**
- Bicycle friendly businesses
- School Physical Activity Challenge
- Workplace weight loss challenge
- Fall based physical fitness initiatives

**Lancaster County Data:**
- Percent of school districts that indicate that all or most of their schools have a walk or bike to school initiative
- Number of bicycle friendly business applications
- Number of workplaces that offer incentives to employees who walk or bike to work
- Physicians who write prescriptions for physical activity

**LiveWELL Lancaster County Initiatives:**
- Bicycle Friendly Business Designations
- School Physical Activity Challenge
- Weight Loss Challenge
- Congregations in Motion

**Get Involved**

› General

- Workplaces

**How You Can Help**
- Implement a Stairwell physical activity initiative in the workplace
- Establish a workplace wellness committee
- Implement policy to increase physical activity at work, including exercise breaks and walking meetings
- Adopt a comprehensive employee wellness program
- Adopt a policy that showers will be available to employees.
- Fund physical activity programs
- Participate in a community coalition addressing physical activity.

**Resources**
- Lighten Up Lancaster County
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- CDC Stairwell to Better Health
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