BUILDING A FOOD ENVIRONMENT COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE
RESEARCH THAT PROMOTES HEALTHY + SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

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University of Hawai‘i at Manoa // Honolulu, HI

DATES
16 and 17 November 2016

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION
Do you conduct food environment research with rural and/or indigenous communities? Are you interested in creating healthy food environments that support nutritious food choices? If so, please join us to explore innovative methods, research findings, and novel translation strategies suitable for various disciplines and communities.

This two-day workshop brings together food environment researchers and stakeholders from Hawai‘i and Montana. Presentations and activities will also focus on broader implications for measuring indigenous and rural food environments in settings around the world.

The primary aims of the BUILDING A FOOD ENVIRONMENT COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE workshop are to (1) share research methods and findings; (2) explore strategies for communicating scholarship; (3) consider developing a community of practice for food environment research.

Day One of the workshop will feature presentations and discussions addressing best practices and lessons learned pertinent to food environment research and interventions in rural and/or indigenous communities. Day Two of the workshop will include hands-on learning sessions exploring innovative research methods and novel translation strategies.
DEFINING THE FOOD ENVIRONMENT

The food environment includes factors that impact availability, affordability, accessibility, and desirability of foods and subsequent food choices. An emerging body of evidence demonstrates that healthy food environments support nutritious food choices and prevent diet-related chronic disease. There remains a need for food systems researchers and stakeholders to design interventions specifically tailored to rural and/or indigenous food environments. This workshop is a step in that direction.

SCHEDULE

DAY ONE // 16 NOVEMBER 2016 // AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE BUILDING // ROOM 219

9:00am 9:30am Coffee, Snacks, Conversation
9:30am 9:40am Opening Statement // Justin Shanks
9:45am 10:15am Overview of Food Environment + Health Relationship // Anna Herforth
10:15am 11:00am Hawai'i Food Environment + Health Overview // Jinan Banna + Treena Delormier + Students
11:00am 11:15am Coffee Break
11:15am 12:00pm Montana Food Environment + Health Overview // Selena Ahmed + Carmen Byker Shanks
12:00pm 12:15pm Lunch Break
12:15pm 1:45pm Dialogue // Building a Community of Practice // Justin Shanks
1:45pm 2:15pm Presentation #1 // Claudio Nigg
2:15pm 2:45pm Presentation #2 // Treena Delormier
2:45pm 3:15pm Presentation #3 // Elise Dela Cruz-Talbert
3:15pm 3:30pm Coffee Break
3:30pm 4:00pm Presentation #4 // Jeannie Butel
4:00pm 4:30pm Dialogue // Building a Community of Practice // Justin Shanks

DAY TWO // 17 NOVEMBER 2016 // AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE BUILDING // ROOM 219

9:00am 9:10am Opening Statement // Justin Shanks
9:10am 10:10am Workshop #1 // Methods Roundtable // How we do what we do // Selena Ahmed, Jinan Banna, Jeannie Butel, Elise Dela Cruz-Talbert, Treena Delormier, Rachel Novotny, Carmen Byker Shanks
10:10am 10:20am Coffee Break
10:20am 11:20am Workshop #2 // Communicating Science // How we share what we do // Justin Shanks
11:20am 12:00pm Brainstorming // Next Steps // Closing Remarks

1 Food Outlet Project
2 First Native American Nutrition Conference
3 Mapping and Measuring Socio-Spatial Disparities and Retail Food Access in Hawaii
4 Culturally-based Program Involving Growing Traditional Food
5 Household Income, Food Cost, Food Insecurity, and/or Food Assistance: Measures Used and Variations Found in CHL Communities
6 Assessing Availability, Quality, and Price of Food in Stores and Restaurants