HUD Healthy Communities Transformation Initiative



National Advisory Panel (NAP)

The HUD Healthy Communities Transformation Initiative National Advisory Panel (NAP) is composed of community leaders and experts in the fields of health, transportation, housing, sustainability, the environment, indicator/metric development and other issues related to community health. The NAP will guide HUD and the Solutions team as we develop the Healthy Communities Index (HCI) and Healthy Communities Assessment Tool (HCAT). Members of the NAP will serve as expert advisors in the development of these innovative tools, designed to assist communities across the nation in improving the physical, social and economic systems and infrastructure that support healthy living for all residents.

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Key Dates and Major Activities for the HCTI National Advisory Panel

February 2013 -March 2013

- Orientation webinar (date TBD)
- Solutions to send information about travel arrangements for June summit
- NAP members to share information about related initiatives with the HCTI team (send to nbeatley@healthyhousingsolutions.com or areddy@healthyhousingsolutions.com)

April 2013 -May 2013 • Review proposed HCl and HCAT framework, indicators and methodology (Solutions to send materials for review at the end of April or in early May)

June 3-4, 2013

Attend two-day NAP summit Washington, DC

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS A CHANGE FROM THE ORIGINAL DATES.

Summer/Fall 2013 • Participate, as needed, on periodic conference calls to discuss visioning, functionality and potential application and design of the HCI and HCAT

October 2013 -January 2014 • Serve as a beta-tester/reviewer of the HCAT prototype

March 2013 -May 2015

- Participate, as needed, on periodic conference calls to discuss and address framework and indicators related to your field of expertise
- Provide feedback, as appropriate, on all aspects of the project, including outreach, marketing, technical assistance and potential tool applications

Questions about any of these activities may be addressed to: Noreen Beatley, nbeatley@healthyhousingsolutions.com

ACRONYMS

Н	CAT	Healthy Communities Assessment Tool
Н	CI	Healthy Communities Index
Н	CTI	Healthy Communities Transformation Initiative
Нι	UD	US Department of Housing and Urban Development
N.	AP	National Advisory Panel
0	HHLHC	Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control

HUD HCTI Partner Organizations

Healthy Housing Solutions, Inc. (Solutions), Project Lead

Healthy Housing Solutions, Inc. (Solutions) is a certified small business and residential environmental health and safety consulting firm, which supports federal, state and local agencies and private sector organizations. A wholly owned subsidiary of the National Center for Healthy Housing (NCHH), Solutions was established in 2003 to assist governmental and non-governmental clients in developing, managing and evaluating projects that support the creation of healthier homes for all Americans. Our menu of professional services includes the following: applied field research and evaluation; creation of technical manuals and papers; development of technical training courses and curricula; grant writing technical assistance; logistical and technical support for conferences, seminars and training events; policy and regulatory support; program development and project management and; strategic planning and stakeholder coordination. Solutions is the project lead for the HUD Healthy Communities Transformation Initiative.

ICF International

ICF International (NASDAQ:ICFI) partners with government and commercial clients to deliver professional services and technology solutions in the energy, environment, and infrastructure; health, social programs, and consumer/financial; and public safety and defense markets. The firm combines passion for its work with industry expertise and innovative analytics to produce compelling results throughout the entire program lifecycle, from research and analysis through implementation and improvement. Since 1969, ICF has been serving government at all levels, major corporations, and multilateral institutions. More than 4,500 employees serve these clients from more than 50 offices worldwide. Within each of our 12 markets, ICF offers advisory and implementation services to assist clients in strategy and policy analysis, program management, project evaluation, and other services.

International City/County Management Association (ICMA)

ICMA, the International City/County Management Association, develops and advances professional local government management to create sustainable communities that improve lives worldwide. ICMA provides member support; publications; data and information; peer and results-oriented assistance; and training and professional development to nearly 9,000 city, town, and county experts and other individuals and organizations throughout the world. The management decisions made by ICMA's members affect millions of individuals living in thousands of communities, from small villages and towns to large metropolitan areas. ICMA's mission is to create excellence in local governance by developing and fostering professional local government management worldwide.

National Center for Healthy Housing (NCHH)

The National Center for Healthy Housing is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, dedicated to creating healthy and safe homes for children through practical and proven steps. Using a holistic and interdisciplinary approach, NCHH brings the public health, housing, environmental, and regulatory communities together to combat disease and injuries caused by hazards in the home. With more than 20 years of experience, NCHH conducts applied research, program evaluation, technical assistance, training, and outreach that is focused on reducing the health consequences of indoor exposures. NCHH's staff includes housing, health, and environmental professionals with expertise in biostatistics, epidemiology, environmental health, public health, housing policy, and industrial hygiene.

The Urban Institute

The Urban Institute gathers data, conducts research, evaluates programs, and educates Americans on social and economic issues — to foster sound public policy and effective government. The Institute coordinates the National Neighborhood Indicators Partnership (NNIP), a collaboration with local partners in 37 cities to further the development and use of neighborhood-level information systems for community building and decision-making.

HUD Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control (OHHLHC)

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is a leader in promoting community health by using housing as a platform for improving quality of life. HUD's mission is "to create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and affordable homes for all." The Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control (OHHLHC) was established to eliminate lead-based paint hazards and to lead the nation in addressing other housing-related health hazards that threaten vulnerable residents. The OHHLHC provides funds to state and local governments to develop cost-effective ways to reduce lead-based paint hazards and also enforces HUD's lead-based paint regulations, provides public outreach and technical assistance, and conducts technical studies to help protect residents from health and safety hazards in the home.

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As assistant commissioner for the Minnesota Department of Health, Jeanne F. Ayers is responsible for overseeing the department's Health Improvement Bureau. This bureau includes the Community and Family Health Division, the Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Division, the Office of Minority and Multicultural Health and the Office of Statewide Health Improvement Initiatives. MDH is the state's lead public health agency, responsible for protecting, maintaining and improving the health of all Minnesotans. Prior to her appointment, Ayers served as director of nursing and preventive services at the University of Minnesota Boynton Health Service. In this role, she managed supervisors of clinical, preventive and occupational health services and assisted Boynton's director in quality improvement, program development and financial management. Ayers also served as program director of occupational health at Boynton, where she reviewed occupational health programs and developed program recommendations. Ayers launched and has directed the Healthy Heartland Initiative. The initiative is sponsored by ISAIAH, a faith-based organization dedicated to social, racial and economic justice. The Healthy Heartland Initiative is a partnership of six community organizations in Missouri, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio and Minnesota dedicated to building capacity and leadership to affect public policy to assure health equity and healthy communities. As the founding executive director of the Center for Public Health Education and Outreach at the School of Public Health, University of Minnesota, she was responsible for strategic vision, goals, objectives and operations, including development of the overall organizational and financial infrastructure. Her former positions also include director of continuing professional education at HealthPartners' Institute for Medical Education; Continuing Education director of the Midwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety; director of Continuing Medical Education, Regions Hospital; and manager of Occupational Health at Columbia Park Medical Group and St. Luke's Hospital in Duluth. She served as a public health nurse in Kanabec County and as site supervisor of the Migrant Health Program in Bird Island, MN. Ayers' community activities include working with community groups and broad-based community organizers to deepen the public understanding of the social determinants of health and their relationship to race, place and class. She has focused her efforts on building the public will for policy decisions that will assure that the conditions necessary for health are present for all. She was selected as the 2010 University of Minnesota Josie R. Johnson Human Rights and Social Justice Award winner for her work on health and racial equity. Assistant Commissioner Ayers earned a master's degree in public health from the University of Minnesota and a bachelor's degree in nursing, with a minor in psychology, from Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wis. She also served as an adjunct instructor at the University of Minnesota's School of Public Health.



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Farhiya Farah has a strong public health track record working professionally in local government, community based organizations and in academia. She has a Master's in Public Health from the University of Minnesota and was previously employed by the University of Minnesota, PICA Head Start and Regulatory Services at the City of Minneapolis. The passion and the optimism she has for the community has driven her to do many volunteer hours that have seen her through several community boards, advisory councils and tasks forces. Moreover, her involvement with the community at large resulted in a 2009 Bush Leadership Fellowship selected from a highly competitive process. She now works for the City of Minneapolis as an Environmental Health Coordinator working on Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention. She's also completing her PhD in Environmental Policy at the School of Public Health-University of Minnesota.



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