

# Communicati Cultural Compe and Health

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## Abstract

The mission of the Region IV Public Health Training Center (R-IV PHTC) is, in part, to strengthen the competence of the current governmental public health workforce in HHS Region IV by providing training based on identified needs of the workforce.

The purpose of this project is to understand the relevance and effectiveness of one specific cultural competency training, *Communicating Across Cultures: Cultural Competence for Public Health and Health Care Professionals*. Using a phenomenological approach, qualitative interviews will be conducted with 12-15 randomly selected individuals who participated in the *Communicating Across Cultures: Cultural Competence for Public Health and Health Care Professionals* training between September 1, 2017 and

## Background, cont.

Council on Linkages Core Competencies: PHPA training competency-based using the Council on Linkages Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals, which organizes its competencies into eight domain areas of which is cultural competency skills.

## Need for Public Health Train

According to the 2017 PH WINS<sup>1</sup> survey, only 14% (1 Region IV) of the public health workforce has formal health training. Additionally, 22% of the public health workforce is planning to retire in the next five years and are planning to leave in the next year for reasons due something other than retirement. These two metrics