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NOTICE OF PUBLIC RULE-MAKING HEARING BEFORE THE COLORADO BOARD OF HEALTH

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Section 24-4-103, C.R.S., that the Colorado Board of Health will conduct a public rule-making hearing on January 15, 2014 at 10 a.m. in the Sabin-Cleere Conference Room of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Bldg. A, First Floor, 4300 Cherry Creek Drive, South, Denver, CO 80246, to consider the promulgation of amendments to 6 CCR 1014-5, Rules pertaining to Health Disparities Grant Program. This program rules include procedures for grant application, criteria for selecting entities and responsibilities of grantees. A copy of the meeting agenda will be on the Board's web site: <http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/CDPHE-Main/CBON/1251635552089> at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

The purpose of this hearing is to receive public comments on 6 CCR 1014-5, Rules pertaining to Health Disparities Grant Program. The proposed amendments consist of updating and repealing obsolete language and aligning the language for reporting with the evaluation plan. The proposed changes update the name of the entity responsible for advising and assisting the grant program in making recommendations to the Board of Health regarding grants as well as the new name of the office administering the program. The changes will provide clarity and direction for more effective administration and implementation of the program. Changes to the names of the entity serving as the program's review committee and the office administering the program are requirements from HB 13-1088.

The proposed rules have been developed by the Office of Health Equity in the Community Relations Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment pursuant to Section 25-4-2203, C.R.S.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained by contacting the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Office of Health Equity – Community Relations Division ADM-OHD-0270, 4300 Cherry Creek Drive S., Denver, CO 80246, (303) 692-2329. The proposed amendments will also be available on the Board's Web site at <http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/CDPHE-Main/CBON/1251622332257> under *Notices of Upcoming Public Rulemaking Hearings and Draft Proposed Rules*.

The proposed revisions to be considered at the hearing, together with the proposed statement of basis and purpose, specific statutory authority and regulatory analysis will be available for inspection at the above address by any person at least five working days prior to the hearing.

The Board encourages all interested persons to participate in the hearing by providing written data, views, or comments, or by making oral comments at the hearing. At the discretion of the Chair, oral testimony at the hearing may be limited to five minutes or less depending on the number of persons wishing to comment.

Pursuant to 6 CCR 1014-8, §3.02.1, written testimony must be submitted to the Board no later than five (5) calendar days prior to the rulemaking hearing. Persons wishing to submit written comments should submit them to: Colorado Board of Health, ATTN: Jamie L. Thornton, Program Assistant, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South EDO-A5, Denver, Colorado 80246-1530 or by e-mail at: Jamie.thornton@state.co.us

Dated this 10th day of December 2013.

Deborah Nelson
Board of Health Administrator