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The Connecticut Association for United Spanish Action, Inc.

Diabetes Information and Action for Latinos

Project DIAL

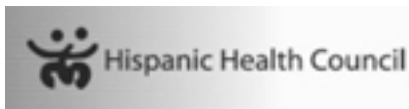
Retreat for Diabetes Advocates within the Latino Community

**Friday, June 17, 2005
8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

Location:

**St. Thomas Seminary
467 Bloomfield Ave.
Bloomfield, CT. 06002**

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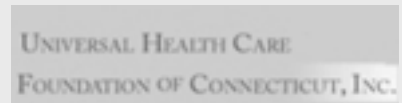
CAUSA Member Agencies

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Goal
Design an action plan that convenes and manages an integrated network of grass-root, faith based, health and government agencies providing diabetes services to the Latino community.

Components

<i>The Power of Collaborative</i>	1
<i>Reaching the Latino Population</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Models that work • Vision of an integrated network model 	2
<i>Cultural Competency</i> - Just What Do You Mean?	3
<i>The Two Way Street</i> – New ideas and building blocks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhancing the CAUSA Model • How relevant is all of this? • Designing the tool kit 	4
<i>Bringing It All Together</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closing session • General session report on ideas and recommendations 	5

Agenda

Registration/Coffee/Continental Breakfast	8:30 - 9:00 AM
Morning Keynote Jeanette DeJesus, Executive Director, Hispanic Health Council	9:00 AM
General Session – Reaching the Latino Population	9:30 - 10:30 AM
10:30 – 10:50 AM Break/Refreshments	
Topic: Cultural Competency – Luncheon Speaker William J. Hunter, Doctoral Candidate – Cultural Competency in Healthcare	10:50 -11:45 AM
Networking Lunch	11:50 - 12:30 PM
The Two Way Street - Concurrent workshops	12:30 - 1:30 PM
Closing session. Report back/Support/Moving forward Evaluation/Gift	1:30 – 2:30 PM

About Project DIAL

Project DIAL, Diabetes Information & Action for Latinos, was established by a three-year grant from the Connecticut Health Foundation to the Connecticut Association for United Spanish Action, Inc. (C.A.U.S.A.). Since diabetes is one of the top health problems in the Latino community, Project DIAL's mission is to:

- Help members of the Connecticut Latino community to identify if they have or are at risk of having diabetes.
- Assist Connecticut Latinos who have diabetes or have family members with the disease to Better manage their diabetes on a daily basis.
- Assist Connecticut Latinos who have diabetes to obtain medical care and supervision that supports their efforts to effectively manage their disease.

Project DIAL is truly a grassroots, collaborative effort marshalling the strengths and capabilities of a variety of Connecticut health, social service and government agencies, among them:

- American Diabetes Association, Connecticut Chapter
- American Heart Association
- Amigos de Salud - Hartford Hospital
- Connecticut Primary Care Association
- Connecticut Department of Public Health, Diabetes Control Program
- Connecticut Community Health Services
- CAUSA member agencies (13)
- Hispanic Health Council
- La Iglesia de Dios, Inc.
- First Hispanic Mission of Manchester
- Burns Elementary School, Hartford School System

Project DIAL's goal is to provide Connecticut Latinos who have diabetes the ability to enjoy a longer and better quality of life.

Registration Form

First Name

Last Name

Name of Organization

Position

Address

State

Zip code

Email

Phone

Fax

Online Registration

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About CAUSA

The Connecticut Association for United Spanish Action, Inc. (CAUSA) was formed in 1975 to respond to social services needs of Latinos in Connecticut and to better assist and support social service Latino agencies. The first non-profit umbrella agency for Latinos in the state, CAUSA has undergone many changes in the past 30 years but, despite many challenges, has been able to maintain continuous services to its member agencies throughout its history. CAUSA estimates that approximately 200,000 people have benefited directly from its leadership in the fields of human services, education, training, healthcare and technical assistance in the past three decades. CAUSA is headquartered in Hartford, CT.

The Problem: The Growing Diabetes Epidemic within the Connecticut Latino Community

The growing diabetes epidemic is both alarming and tragic. In the United States the statistics are shocking: the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recently announced that from 1990 to 2000 the number of Americans diagnosed with diabetes has escalated from 4.9% to 7.3% of the population, a 49% increase.

Today the American Diabetes Association (ADA) and the National Institutes of Health estimate that 16 million Americans have diabetes (25% of these undiagnosed), with approximately 1 million Type 1 and 10.3 million Type 2 diabetics diagnosed.

According to a 2004 study conducted by the Hartford based Hispanic Health Council "Latinos are twice as likely as non-Hispanic whites of similar age to have diabetes.

Two million Latinos, representing 8.2% of all Latinos aged 20 years and older, have diabetes."

"Our previous studies in Hartford show that Puerto Ricans and other Latino groups are heavily affected both by obesity and type 2 diabetes."