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Rural communities are challenging the status quo by creating new ways of selling food.  Join the Food Policy Networks project for a discussion with representatives from Kansas State University’s Rural Grocery Initiative, the Catawba Fresh Market in South Carolina, and Wholesome Harvest Food Co-op in Frostburg, Maryland to learn about how rural communities are navigating the retail space.   **Featured speakers include:**   * Isabelle Busenitz, *Program/Project Manager, Kansas State University Center for Engagement and Community Development* * Rial Carver, *Program/Project Manager, Kansas State University Center for Engagement and Community Development* * Gloria Kellerhals, *Founder and Co-Chairman, Catawba Food and Farm Coalition* * Jenni Georgeson, *General Manager, Wholesome Harvest Co-op*   **New Funding Opportunity:** **Fertile Ground Advocacy Campaign Grant**  The [Fertile Ground Policy Innovation Fund](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001FbNT1-V2nt0z5exgyJX0E0c46FSJVJCykLKzNOTZjOBAGUC7RBdKbGop4HbMziVBdlsx5kE53TC3NFyNVKMcv3r0kDSXa2U1UZuDqB1idAOQPIgmwCmIzQV2c3sZkHdetta292cw46x5CltvBzcWHX8affa0O_4cfTwvQGlA_UW_BWQC0uYJoDwiOqdYVLH3RxD30-UJgdKJv1oBWk2A4wtMK_Qv5-L56LafXZ30l8D7-ZR6x0JCIA==&c=SHVuARLgeVkmK_DCxEajpcJv_K7EXsl6r7zdwOuqTIM66YCrT5lG5A==&ch=YfG1PuHPx41pSKvXP86JE9ORdkxW0KJqcE2vMnYbSZEk_Bm80B5-pQ==) is now accepting grant proposals. Grantees will be awarded $50,000 to $80,000 each to support Native-led efforts aimed at advancing new policies and innovative policymaking approaches that benefit Native nutrition and health.  This fund is a part of the [Fertile Ground campaign](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001FbNT1-V2nt0z5exgyJX0E0c46FSJVJCykLKzNOTZjOBAGUC7RBdKbACqRRv7MdUljngKROcMZ5bP6HIUGYaJ8pZYdpT4lTcTYLHuRvLBjYxE7hFUW5whdbVxVhbb8mFtiILJ0qjmIbYR9ixiiKg9d0aueFabjq7P6yUuSVIxXRLBHwdbTrRLOQ==&c=SHVuARLgeVkmK_DCxEajpcJv_K7EXsl6r7zdwOuqTIM66YCrT5lG5A==&ch=YfG1PuHPx41pSKvXP86JE9ORdkxW0KJqcE2vMnYbSZEk_Bm80B5-pQ==), an initiative of [Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community's](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001FbNT1-V2nt0z5exgyJX0E0c46FSJVJCykLKzNOTZjOBAGUC7RBdKbGop4HbMziVBS-j9WGYVKrCQeHymDR9cNxRttJ6R5yUjLij05s1pGXMLauWJqHt1teQelw2O7sJJoQbfpj7ITGWOkD0LuZLeIQ==&c=SHVuARLgeVkmK_DCxEajpcJv_K7EXsl6r7zdwOuqTIM66YCrT5lG5A==&ch=YfG1PuHPx41pSKvXP86JE9ORdkxW0KJqcE2vMnYbSZEk_Bm80B5-pQ==) (SMSC) [Seeds of Native Health campaign](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001FbNT1-V2nt0z5exgyJX0E0c46FSJVJCykLKzNOTZjOBAGUC7RBdKbKNee-hYov8uK28cmoY-tuPdYW7CtT1Z-96YE56JnyIV4L5mHYR1tDtdXoMs_EsCGaCZ8ftgwqimcODqLO9LuUJjTgh8P5RoaaZfeDKoHdP0&c=SHVuARLgeVkmK_DCxEajpcJv_K7EXsl6r7zdwOuqTIM66YCrT5lG5A==&ch=YfG1PuHPx41pSKvXP86JE9ORdkxW0KJqcE2vMnYbSZEk_Bm80B5-pQ==) and the [American Heart Association](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001FbNT1-V2nt0z5exgyJX0E0c46FSJVJCykLKzNOTZjOBAGUC7RBdKbBkFDuZofDqDb6m2DQQLsxr9F3L18LA2CHPLbY0hOnWwgO8L65MA8XH6mmayOFAd2sJ_eKbBXu-wJnM-cPe2gHk=&c=SHVuARLgeVkmK_DCxEajpcJv_K7EXsl6r7zdwOuqTIM66YCrT5lG5A==&ch=YfG1PuHPx41pSKvXP86JE9ORdkxW0KJqcE2vMnYbSZEk_Bm80B5-pQ==)'s [Voices for Healthy Kids initiative](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001FbNT1-V2nt0z5exgyJX0E0c46FSJVJCykLKzNOTZjOBAGUC7RBdKbGop4HbMziVBP97pkNbn7WB9nX0JzMzmWMIKXftoGLcx05XGpIuxJSi29n55jx4pjGxkw042LH0yZUPu4tByvhOeKIdSVi4pBFrdqAjqYLOa&c=SHVuARLgeVkmK_DCxEajpcJv_K7EXsl6r7zdwOuqTIM66YCrT5lG5A==&ch=YfG1PuHPx41pSKvXP86JE9ORdkxW0KJqcE2vMnYbSZEk_Bm80B5-pQ==). The $1.6 million Policy Innovation Fund is a continuation of the SMSC and AHA’s partnership to promote Native-led dietary health advocacy, which first began in 2015. Other elements of the campaign include leadership development, technical assistance and movement-building activities to support the growing nutrition and health movement in Indian Country.  Grant applications will be administered through the [First Nations Development Institute](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001FbNT1-V2nt0z5exgyJX0E0c46FSJVJCykLKzNOTZjOBAGUC7RBdKbBkFDuZofDqD2x5FjU-enepZiy2LftSAG3joti1t4N_A54pACSXTH8I3ZdOx70HBcg47rZsBy1b9RV36brzcIY4m-k1F3yPJCQ==&c=SHVuARLgeVkmK_DCxEajpcJv_K7EXsl6r7zdwOuqTIM66YCrT5lG5A==&ch=YfG1PuHPx41pSKvXP86JE9ORdkxW0KJqcE2vMnYbSZEk_Bm80B5-pQ==). [The application deadline is **Thursday, November 14, 2019**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001FbNT1-V2nt0z5exgyJX0E0c46FSJVJCykLKzNOTZjOBAGUC7RBdKbGop4HbMziVBRwLtQpNl053-Z1o-UATebbnlkTuOUXcD1B86617r8W8oVA8IuUew6-xERzEiraeT6BQznqBNWhaB9iNGMhf7J1ffSzKSgS5uBaTVXXVJuGxBiBOSQn_2tsFGUkNwAIKU4WxeU0yLSdpJsd1JZ230INKzzxd--hoZfvbeAtRTuS0=&c=SHVuARLgeVkmK_DCxEajpcJv_K7EXsl6r7zdwOuqTIM66YCrT5lG5A==&ch=YfG1PuHPx41pSKvXP86JE9ORdkxW0KJqcE2vMnYbSZEk_Bm80B5-pQ==).  **More information**  The First Nations Development Institute is hosting a free Q&A webinar on Monday, October 21, at 1 p.m. MT, for applicants to learn more about the RFP process and eligibility. Participation in these webinars is not mandatory, but applicants are strongly encouraged to register for and attend one or both of them. [Register here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001FbNT1-V2nt0z5exgyJX0E0c46FSJVJCykLKzNOTZjOBAGUC7RBdKbGop4HbMziVBpgTXTQ8QvkUpIUx3m_WYCl4dWmKraGNBgzJCvpZ0qNtNECRgNDIMvu7uYKSyZECyINWW5Ysiui1iA5CZwzXjjeHlhu4Mg9pNwlv-_V8RXp3DN0SppHHaKhSN8FLjON7B&c=SHVuARLgeVkmK_DCxEajpcJv_K7EXsl6r7zdwOuqTIM66YCrT5lG5A==&ch=YfG1PuHPx41pSKvXP86JE9ORdkxW0KJqcE2vMnYbSZEk_Bm80B5-pQ==).  Click [here](https://www.firstnations.org/rfps/fertile-ground-advocacy-campaign-grant-opportunity/) to apply.  **Upcoming Webinar: The Power of Contracts for Institutional Procurement of Local Food**  Wednesday, October 30, 2019  2:00 PM – 3:00 PM EDT  [Register Here](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_0Ow_m9J6S0-dFu53RU0C4A)  One strategy to increase institutional access to local and sustainable foods is to ensure your desire for these items is integrated into any contracts with food service vendors. This approach sets clear expectations and enables vendors to function as partners with institutions in meeting their food procurement goals. This webinar will include examples of contract language used with food service management companies and other vendors.  **Upcoming Meeting: Third Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee Meeting**  The 2020 Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee will hold its third meeting October 24 and 25 in Washington, D.C. [Registration](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAxOTEwMTguMTE2OTY4MTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5kaWV0YXJ5Z3VpZGVsaW5lcy5nb3YvbWVldGluZy0zLXJlZ2lzdHJhdGlvbi1wYWdlP3V0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSJ9.v_jYmmGPbXBBTIPbSkoVO9gmTmdSIe2cqkkNp_WkBw4/br/70315770058-l) for in-person attendance closes today, Friday, October 18, at 5:00PM EDT. To watch the meeting online, register to attend via webcast. (Webcast registration will remain open throughout the meeting.)  During the meeting, the Committee will provide an update of its work, including presenting the [new set of protocols](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDMsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAxOTEwMTguMTE2OTY4MTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5kaWV0YXJ5Z3VpZGVsaW5lcy5nb3Yvd29yay11bmRlci13YXkvcmV2aWV3LXNjaWVuY2UvdG9waWNzLWFuZC1xdWVzdGlvbnMtdW5kZXItcmV2aWV3P3V0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSJ9.ZOysuhhJUWUAD6g_Gga220Vh4HYHRu7dEVIty5DCpEk/br/70315770058-l)that were posted at the beginning of October. The Committee’s protocols are its plans for how it aims to answer [each specific scientific question](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDQsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAxOTEwMTguMTE2OTY4MTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5kaWV0YXJ5Z3VpZGVsaW5lcy5nb3Yvd29yay11bmRlci13YXkvcmV2aWV3LXNjaWVuY2UvdG9waWNzLWFuZC1xdWVzdGlvbnMtdW5kZXItcmV2aWV3P3V0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSJ9.q9f2pn3IrB_oPYBV1j1Pnv9ycBuQz_RgQ_JK5cpItbc/br/70315770058-l) using [one of the three scientific approaches](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDUsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAxOTEwMTguMTE2OTY4MTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5kaWV0YXJ5Z3VpZGVsaW5lcy5nb3Yvd29yay11bmRlci13YXkvcmV2aWV3LXNjaWVuY2UvYWR2aXNvcnktY29tbWl0dGVlLWFwcHJvYWNoZXMtdG8tZXhhbWluZS10aGUtZXZpZGVuY2U_dXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fc291cmNlPWdvdmRlbGl2ZXJ5In0.pJbQtBd28a5B4PVdAIUSW4Vz7nB4k07hnDzoJY1gRZA/br/70315770058-l). Questions with new protocols are marked by the word “new”, and dates have been added next to each question to indicate the last time the protocol was updated.  **You may**[**submit comments**](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDYsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAxOTEwMTguMTE2OTY4MTEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5kaWV0YXJ5Z3VpZGVsaW5lcy5nb3Yvd29yay11bmRlci13YXkvZ2V0LWludm9sdmVkL3N1Ym1pdC1jb21tZW50LWFkdmlzb3J5LWNvbW1pdHRlZS1yZXZpZXdzLXNjaWVuY2U_dXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fc291cmNlPWdvdmRlbGl2ZXJ5In0.zWbgaVzE7KMUKrIoRjsHsFEzX_ZxbfiPCbhtfF8JNK0/br/70315770058-l)**on protocols marked as “new” by Thursday, November 7, 2019.** The Committee will continue to accept public comments throughout its work, expected to last into 2020.  Additional updated and new protocols will be posted online over the course of the Committee’s work. Be sure to check the date next to protocols of interest to see when they were last updated.  [Back to Top of Newsletter](#_top) Physical Activity **Upcoming Webinar: NACDD’s Walkability Action Institute and How You Can Become Part of It**  Monday, October 21, 2019  1:00 PM – 2:00 PM EDT  [Register Here](https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/4800932162996306957)  NACDD’s Walkability Lead Karma Harris and CDC DNPAO’s Chris Kochtitzky will provide a detailed overview of the Walkability Action Institute (WAI) project. This overview will include the sharing of successes from WAI alumni teams from across the country and detailing the upcoming request for funding assistance (RFA) application period, eligibility requirements, and process for this year’s interested applicants. Attendees will also learn how this effort connects to national CDC priorities, such as Active People Healthy Nation and Activity Friendly Routes to Everyday Destinations. Be sure to listen in for details on how to join our nationwide effort!  **Featured speakers include:**   * Karma Harris, *National Association of Chronic Disease Directors (NACDD)* * Chris Kochtitzky, *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)*   **Upcoming Webinar: Beyond the Physical: Mental and Social Benefits of Walkable Communities**  Wednesday, November 20, 2019  2:00 PM – 3:00 PM EDT (11:00 AM – 12:00 PM PT)  [Register Here](https://americawalks.org/new-webinar-beyond-the-physical-mental-and-social-benefits-of-walkable-communities/)  Walking and walkability is not only good for our bodies, but it’s also good for our minds and interpersonal relationships. Learn about the myriad of benefits of walking that extend beyond our individual physical health. This webinar is intended for those who are familiar with topics and issues related to walking and walkability.  Attendees of this webinar will be able to:   * Explain how walking and walkability are associated with social connectedness and a positive sense of well-being. * Give examples of the mental and social benefits correlated with walking and walkability. * Discuss ways walking advocates should be engaging with topics related to this work.   **Featured speakers include:**   * Jasmine Tahmaseb McConatha, *West Chester University of PA* * Shannon Rogers, *Nature Based Economic Development*   **New Article: Rail Trails Draw Tourism and Boost Economic Growth**  Thirty-three years ago, walking and biking enthusiasts, railroad history buffs, conservation and parks groups, and active-transportation activists formed the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy. The organization works coast to coast, supporting the development of thousands of miles of rail trails and multi-use trails for millions of people to explore and enjoy.  Click [here](https://www.wvgazettemail.com/dailymailwv/daily_mail_features/rail-trails-draw-tourism-and-boost-economic-growth-daily-mail/article_dfdb445a-88fa-5f3a-be96-29b662b9b63c.html) to read article.  **Upcoming Webinar: From Vision to Implementation: Using an NCI Charrette to Create a Vision for a Form-Based Code**  Wednesday, November 20, 2019  1:00 PM – 2:15 PM EDT  [Register Here](https://cc.readytalk.com/registration/" \l "/?meeting=phk6xrr8v9vm&campaign=17p3bmycnnxm)  The Form-Based Codes Institute, a program of Smart Growth America, and the National Charrette Institute are partnering to deliver a joint webinar that will explore how NCI Charrettes can be used to develop a community vision and form-based code. Charrettes have long used design-thinking and collaboration to address complex community issues like form-based codes and can significantly reduce the time to develop one.    This webinar will focus on how the NCI Charrette process can be used in communities to develop a vision and form-based code. Discover how form-based codes can make communities more walkable, mixed-used, and livable, and how NCI charrettes can be used to create form-based codes. Walk through two case studies with the charrette manager and code writer for charrettes resulting in form-based codes in Norman, Oklahoma and Arlington County, Virginia before learning what snags to avoid and tips to employ for a successful process and code.  Featured speakers include:   * Geoff Ferrell, *Ferrell Madden* * Amy Groves, *Dover, Kohl & Partners* * Bill Lennertz, *National Charrette Institute* * Mary Madden, *Ferrell Madden* * Inta Malis, *former member and chair of the Arlington County Planning Commission and President of the Columbia Pike Neighborhood Association* * Chris Zimmerman, *former member of the Arlington County Board and current Vice President for Economic Development at Smart Growth America*   Moderators:   * Marta Goldsmith, *Executive Director, Form-Based Codes Institute at Smart Growth America* * Holly Madill, *Director, National Charrette Institute*   **New Article: How a Community Can Become a Work of Art**  Communities in need of an economic, relevancy and vibrancy boost are garnering attention, tourists and community engagement through the placemaking powers of art and creativity. There are five examples featured in the article.  Click [here](https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/livable-in-action/info-2018/public-art-projects.html?cmp=EMC-DSM-NLC-LC-HOMFAM-20191016_LivableCommunities_SC4N_700500_1032707-101619-F2-CreativeCanvas-Header-CTRL-4098852&encparam=La4KtcN7EG6BBqadGxyzUCR4RFgYiDAFsnFMTwhpBz4%3d) to read the article.  [Back to Top of Newsletter](#_top) Health Equity Resource **Upcoming Meeting: 2019 SAAPHI Annual Meeting & Scientific Symposium**  This year SAAPHI’s [annual meeting](https://www.saaphi.org/2019-annual-meeting) is an acknowledgement of the work and continued efforts of many organizations, coalition groups, and individuals calling attention to the impact of 400 years of inequality. The use of “400 Years of Inequality” to anchor the 2019 meeting theme is also a demonstration of our solidarity with the work of Dr. Mindy Fullilove, Dr. Robert Fullilove, Dr. Thomas A. LaVeist and others as a call to action for those in public health to not only acknowledge inequality and highlight inequity but to work toward solutions to dismantle systemic and pervasive barriers to opportunity and progress.  The meeting will take place on Saturday, November 2, 2019 from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM at the Drexel University Dornsife School of Public Health in Philadelphia, PA.  Click [here](https://saaphi.wildapricot.org/event-3513938) to register.  [Back to Top of Newsletter](#_top) Breastfeeding Resources**No New Updates**Early Childcare and Education Settings (ECE) No New Updates General Resources  **New Resource: Measures Registry Learning Modules**  The National Collaborative on Childhood Obesity Research (NCCOR) just launched its newest resource: the Measures Registry Learning Modules. The Modules highlight key concepts from the Measures Registry User Guides in four short videos, making it easier to understand measurement issues in the four domains of the Measures Registry: individual diet, food environment, individual physical activity, and physical activity environment. The modules were designed for people working in communities with input from practitioners like you to help save time and provide a quick overview of key considerations. The modules also help walk users through use of the Measures Registry—a searchable database of diet and physical activity measures relevant to childhood obesity research. Each domain includes interactive case studies and quiz questions to check your understanding.  As you work on conducting assessments, implementing your activities, and evaluating your work, the new modules may help facilitate these efforts by directing you to resources that may be helpful in breaking down key considerations for your work. We hope you find these new modules helpful and if you are interested in sharing how you used the modules, please email [nccor@fhi360.org](mailto:nccor@fhi360.org). You could be featured in an online case study or on an upcoming webinar.  Click [here](https://www.nccor.org/nccor-tools/measures-registry-learning-modules/) to access the resource.  **New Resource: Key Partner Messages on Lung Injury Associated with E-Cigarette Use, or Vaping**  The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is working with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), state health departments, and public health and clinical partners to investigate the multistate outbreak of lung injury associated with use of e-cigarette, or vaping, products.  CDC has activated the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). More than 100 staff from across the agency and in the field are working to support these investigations.  CDC continues to refine recommendations based on emerging data. At this time, FDA and CDC have not identified the cause or causes of the lung injuries in these cases and the only commonality between all cases is that they report using vaping products, including e-cigarettes. No one compound or ingredient has emerged as the cause of these illnesses to date and it may be that there is more than one cause of this outbreak.  CDC released a Morbidity Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) titled, “[Update: Interim Guidance for Health Care Providers Evaluating and Caring for Patients with Suspected E-cigarette, or Vaping, Product Use Associated Lung Injury — United States, October 2019](https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/68/wr/mm6841e3.htm?s_cid=mm6841e3_w)”  The updated number of cases, number of deaths and impacted states and territories are reported on the [CDC Lung Injury](https://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/basic_information/e-cigarettes/severe-lung-disease.html) website every Thursday.  If the public has questions, they can contact CDC-INFO at 800-232-4636, or visit <https://wwwn.cdc.gov/dcs/ContactUs/Form>.  Click [here](Updated%20Key%20Messages%20for%20Partners%2010_11_19.pdf) to access the entire key partner messages document.  Click [here](Steps%20to%20syndicate%20the%20Lung%20Injury%20Outbreak%20website.pdf) to access the steps to syndicate the Lung Injury Outbreak website: [www.cdc.gov/lunginjury](http://www.cdc.gov/lunginjury)  **New Opportunity:** Wellness Program Demonstration Project to Implement Health-Contingent Wellness Programs in the Individual Market  The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is publishing this bulletin to announce an opportunity for States to apply to participate in a wellness program demonstration project. Participating States may implement nondiscriminatory health-contingent wellness programs in the individual market, as described in section 2705(l) of the Public Health Service Act (PHS Act). This bulletin outlines the participation requirements; the criteria HHS, in consultation with the Department of Labor (DOL) and the Department of the Treasury (the Treasury Department), will use to evaluate applications; instructions on application submissions and appeals; and potential future opportunities for additional States to apply.  Click [here](Wellness-Program-Demonstration-Project-Bulletin.pdf) to access the bulletin.  [Back to Top of Newsletter](#_top)  Links to non-Federal organizations found in this e-mail are provided solely as a service. These links do not constitute an endorsement of these organizations or their programs by CDC or the Federal Government, and none should be inferred. CDC is not responsible for the content of the individual organization Web pages found at these links. |
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