

Wyoming

7. Navigating leadership

The 2008 Wyoming Public Health Leadership Workshop provided on-the-ground application of leadership skills.

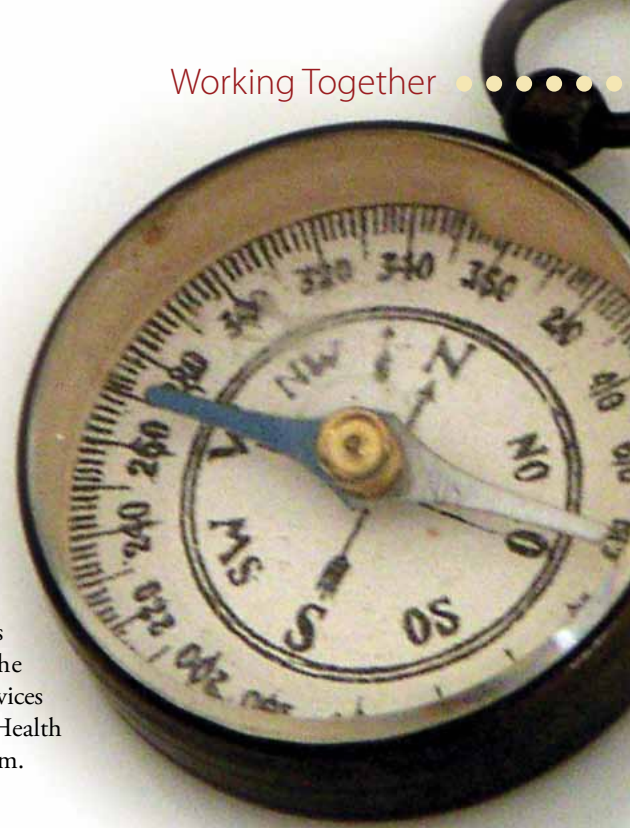
First came the classroom courses taught by a nationally-known expert on public health leadership, Louis Rowitz, PhD, at the Wyoming Life Resource Center in Lander. Then participants headed outdoors.

It was a leadership navigation course at the National Outdoor Leadership School. Participants divided into teams with a GPS navigational device, a map, and a list of destinations, each having different point values. The exercise required participants to strategize, solve problems, delegate, and make

decisions together.

At the end of the workshop, Jep Enck, President of Enck Resources, presented an entertaining and informative session on the leadership challenges of having four generations in the public health workplace.

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8. Bridging academia and practice

NWCPHP's location within the University of Washington positions us to provide training, research, and evaluation to the practice community, and allows NWCPHP to provide training, research, and evaluation opportunities to the University of Washington.

NWCPHP has its home within the Department of Health Services, one of the five departments that form the University of Washington School of Public Health (SPH). Although we do not receive core funding from the University, our training, research, and evaluation activities reflect the University's values of integrity, diversity, excellence, collaboration, innovation, and respect.

Our mission is to bring academia and practice together. Much of this publication shows our services for the practice community, but we also help find practicum positions for Master's in Public Health students, and our office provides a large number of research assistantships to SPH students. As a Center for Public Health Preparedness, we have received funding from SPH for emergency preparedness projects (page 23). We also participate in a University of Washington Graduate Certificate in Emergency Preparedness and Response.

