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Quick Facts

TRAIN is a web-based, nationwide learning management system for public health organizations that:

- Addresses immediate needs of states to prepare the public health workforce to respond to terrorism, protect the public, and improve the public's health;
- Helps managers, employers, and partners to identify appropriate training for the public health workforce, register learners, and track learner progress;
- Provides powerful reporting capabilities to support performance and accountability;
- Enables tracking and sharing of valuable public health training data among states, localities, the federal government, and the private sector;
- Builds on the proven infrastructure of the award winning TrainingFinder.org, the Nation's most comprehensive catalog of distance learning for public health professionals containing over 23,000 course listings from over 3,900 providers of training; and
- Provides the infrastructure for short- and long-term public health workforce development.

TRAIN is the only learning management system for public health and safety that:

- Has established a network of 24 affiliates and several workgroups that can actively share learning information and training programs through a uniform system;
- Was developed by a national non-profit organization -- the Public Health Foundation -- with an explicit mission for over 40 years to help build public health infrastructure;
- Has involved over 40 states and 400 public health professionals (state health officials, senior deputies, distance learning coordinators, bioterrorism and Focus Area G coordinators, faculty of schools of public health, and IT professionals) in its planning and development;
- Can create detailed reports on course availability and learner participation;
- Was coordinated with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as part of the agency's nationwide training strategy for terrorism preparedness and response; and
- Is guided by the states that are part of the Network.

TRAIN is a wise investment. It works to:

- Improve the training of public health professionals serving nearly 50 percent of the U.S population for under one penny per person served;
- Improve the training of nearly 55 percent of our Nation's public health workforce for a nickel per week per worker (\$2.73 per year).
- Save states \$11 million over 5 years based on the economies of scale achieved through TRAIN, compared to typical learning management system costs (source: ASTD).

TRAIN's benefits and savings are not limited to 24 affiliates or today's needs. TRAIN will:

- Remain free for all learners to search and register for many courses and for providers to list courses;
- Remain a voluntary solution for many states' and other organizations' learning management needs;
- Expand and innovate as needs of the public health workforce, states, and the public evolve;
- Become even more cost-effective as additional affiliates are brought into the Network; and
- Collaborate with other health professions to integrate their public health training needs into the Network.