

Healthy People of Color 2000 Evaluation Comments

General Comments:

Very good

Good Conference! Keep it up - I can't wait for next year

Very good conference, excellent topics and good relevant discussions

A very interesting two days

Congratulations, an excellent conference!

The staff and moderator were friendly and helpful. I would recommend this and other conferences put on by you to others. It was professional from start to end!! All your students sounded and looked professional. This building was set for learning and comfort. Your Friday Center offers space and conv to all individuals attending your conference.

Great facility for a conference; climate, seating excellent. Foods during break were okay; please consider caffeine-free diet beverages for future conferences to add variety for individuals. The concurrent sessions were very good. Continue to get minority leaders as keynote speakers. Thank you for a great conference!

Extremely productive, essential, and informative conference. Speakers were outstanding, participative public health people of color. Keep the fires burning!

An excellent program. More time for questions should be allocated for future conf. more time for Dr. Hart-Brothers and Dr. Satcher

I thought all the moderators did a good job and were helpful in directing us and making us feel comfortable, particularly Kara Morgan, Dionne Price, and Scottie Davis

The moderators were very helpful, articulate, and informative. As graduate students coming from USC, Columbia SC, I was made to feel comfortable by UNC Students like Kara Morgan, Dionne Price and Scottie Davis

Dr. Satcher was an excellent choice for a keynote speaker. I would like to commend Bill Small and his co-chairs Scottie Davis and Kara Morgan for a job well done. Great planning

The facility was great (esp./ parking); was impressed how other groups were included in information given, Hispanics, Native Americans. Good mix of professionals and students.

Thank you for including Native Americans in the presentations. This conference has given us a lot of information to digest. It has challenged us.

A very fine conference. Dynamite speakers, I didn't feel that there was enough time to converse with fellow professionals. On the other hand, there was absolutely no time for boredom.

Thanks to the SPH for sponsoring and congratulations to everyone involved in the planning and coordinating of this excellent event - Keep up the good work!

Important tradition -- keep it going. Don't forget needs of students at SHP to participate as much as possible. TV good, transport?

Networking opportunities were excellent. involvement of the students was exceptional. I am impressed, excited and encouraged. At the same time, I am enraged that so little has been done to decrease disparities. So, I'm feeling more empowered. James Carter's speech was depressing.

I am not sure what the topic of Bill Jenkins' speech was supposed to be. Need to do a better job of publicizing the conference. This is the first year I received information about it. Better accommodations for out-of-state attendees. Have the conference at a site that provides lodging or provide shuttle service to local hotels. have more workshops which provide and opportunity for small group interaction. Nice conference facility. Dr. Satcher was outstanding!

James Carter spoke too long. David Satcher great!! Next Surgeon General. Would like more information on the health status of blacks and other people of color. Give us an annual update on what the statistics are among the people of color. Give a sense of what is happening in NC concerning NC health problems.

I felt the conference was very important and informative. I feel that especially due to the number of migrants in NC that possibly one of the breakout sessions could be devoted to Hispanic health. I felt the only low point was the talk by Henry Montes. It was slightly mundane, but overall the conference was very beneficial.

I would have enjoyed more emphasis on black and white communities working together instead of separate groups for health care. As a white, generation X, young person I have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the black culture and customs since living in NC. I hope someday there will be less struggle and resentment between the races. I guess I wish minorities understood that most young whites want to work with them and not against them. My hopes are for a cohesive community in the future. We don't want you to be "like" us, we just want to live in peace.

Ronald Wyatt's speech was excellent; David Satcher was double excellent. Have the "longer" day on the first day of conference (esp. if you have the "meeting" on a Thursday or Friday.) Handouts of highlights of major speakers' presentations. Please work on controlling people entering and exiting sessions. Those doors are very loud.

Henry Montes: good hard questions, eye contact. Ex. speaker tone, volume, etc. Related, clear, well prepared. Need handouts. **Balius Walker:** The speaker spoke clearly, nice ease in rate and volume. Information was presented in an orderly way. Covered a wide area of information. Need to improve his overhead transp. Very hard to read and see!

Needed handout material on areas of lead toxic, etc. Info on types of cancer by sex and race would have helped on handouts. Alan Hinderliter's voice could put you to sleep. Clear slides of areas that he was covering. It was nice that he brought a sample of a monitor that could be used for 24° data. Slides were information but could not be read, in the back of the room. Needed handouts. He needed to talk louder; you could not hear him in the back what was said to him by one of the students. Did a closeout review at the end.

Alan Hinderliter's slides were old. I was offended by the term negro. His slides were hard to read. I had different expectations from this session. His data was over 10 years old. Was he informed on what type conference this was ?? His presentation was more on the clinical and medical aspects. He even showed data without providing adequate sources or dates. Someone else should have been selected to do this presentation. David Satcher was great! Good facility. Easy parking. Great choice. I would have liked to see more local health dept displays.

I feel that there should have been more people in the Biomedical Research Careers. There should be more time for one-on-one interaction.

In my opinion, the keynote speaker should have been the last component on the program. The attendance for Public Health Forum was very low.

Alan Hinderliter talked too low - even with microphone. Needed a hand microphone. This was an excellent conference. There should be more. Keep up the good work.

Henry Montes' talk was extremely informative. Responded very appropriately and well to audience questions. James Carter's data was very sobering

I thought "Are we on track" would actually address the question! I have seen stats on goals for 2000 re minority health -- where are we in relation to these? What are our efforts toward them (not in jargon and double-speak please, but in actual programs in place)? Where are we lacking?

Unable to hear speaker well

Suggestions for future programs:

Minority women's health issues

State conference on Healthy People 2000

More question and answer for Dr. Satcher.

Consider providing a list (with map) of local restaurants. This would be helpful since the conference location is no longer in close proximity to Franklin St.

I expected more outreach discussion; smaller more intimate discussion groups. Minority outreach strategies, elaborate on building trust

Time is always a constraint but . . . time for more questions and answers between Bill Jenkins and the audience and between David Satcher and the audience would have been very useful.

Keep the conference at the Friday Center

Minority communities helping themselves

More panel discussions

More speakers in the field of ENHS

Teaching sexuality ed to youths

More publicity at UNC; sessions on reproduction and STDs

More family issues like last conference; teen pregnancy prevention - HIV, STDs specifically.

I would like to suggest switching the time of the programs so that Thursday is the long day and Friday is the short day in consideration of those traveling late on a Friday afternoon.

Violence as a public health problem. Media advocacy and coalition building. Healthy People 2000: Closing the Gap

Should provide a data set (table) which describes the health status of people of color in NC.

Community outreach

Preventative health care issues with focus on preventative measures; the role of health education for families/clients; minority issues/survival; resources -- where and how do we find them? The role of mentoring /who should and why

More attention paid to "minority." There is so lack of meaning for the term "minority." We can empower people by referring to them as "minorities." Minority to me means less than. I am comfortable with "people of color."

Nutrition; bring some "user -participants" of the programs to share their experiences. Hands-on workshop on 1) grant writing 2) behavior objections 3) educational resources for getting "minorities" that can be purchased

I come from a medical clinic serving mostly African American poor -- we attempt to offer as comprehensive serves as possible given our financial constraints (as well as our mission). I found nothing helpful

here and am truly disappointed. This conference could have been good and this is truly sad.

Having been a professional for > 30 years, I have attended thousands of workshops and this has been the worst. Who was the audience? What were the objectives? The Fri AM session on Mental Health was a put down on Black males, MDs, Cancer support groups. It was a pitiful "pity party"

It would have been helpful to have been given HANDOUTS! from the presenters. Please note Carolyn Mayo did have a very interesting, well-outlined handout; a list of hotels that are lower in price for those of us who must pay out of our pocket. NOTE: I was not pleased about the Breakout Sessions. I came to this conference alone. I was interested in two sessions but had to select one! Really all the breakout Sessions were interesting. Topics of sessions with Walker, Shelby, Bell, and Wyatt were all subjects that relate to my position in Health promotion and Prev. Med. Please NO breakout sessions.