

Community Health Worker Emergency Response and Preparedness (CHW-ERP) Project

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Objective

This program aims to strengthen the public health workforce through increasing the number and diversity of Community Health Workers (CHWs) via a scholarship program

Why at St. Kate's?

- Many students who attend St. Kate's Community CHW certificate program and Public Health baccalaureate program come from underrepresented communities
- Significant number of public health students go on to work in underserved communities upon graduation
- **In 2020-2021 academic year:**
 - 40% of public health students were educationally/environmentally disadvantaged
 - 27% were economically disadvantaged
 - 25% underrepresented racial and ethnic minorities
 - This rises to 50% if Hmong and other disadvantaged Southeast Asian groups were included
- In 2022 St. Catherine University received a Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) grant to implement the CHW-ERP scholarship program to address these issues in health equity

Program Aspects

Support trainees through Community/Employer Partnerships to recruit & support CHW trainees

Enhance the MN CHW curriculum to address emergency preparedness and response

Educate trainees to address social determinants of health in culturally and linguistically accessible ways



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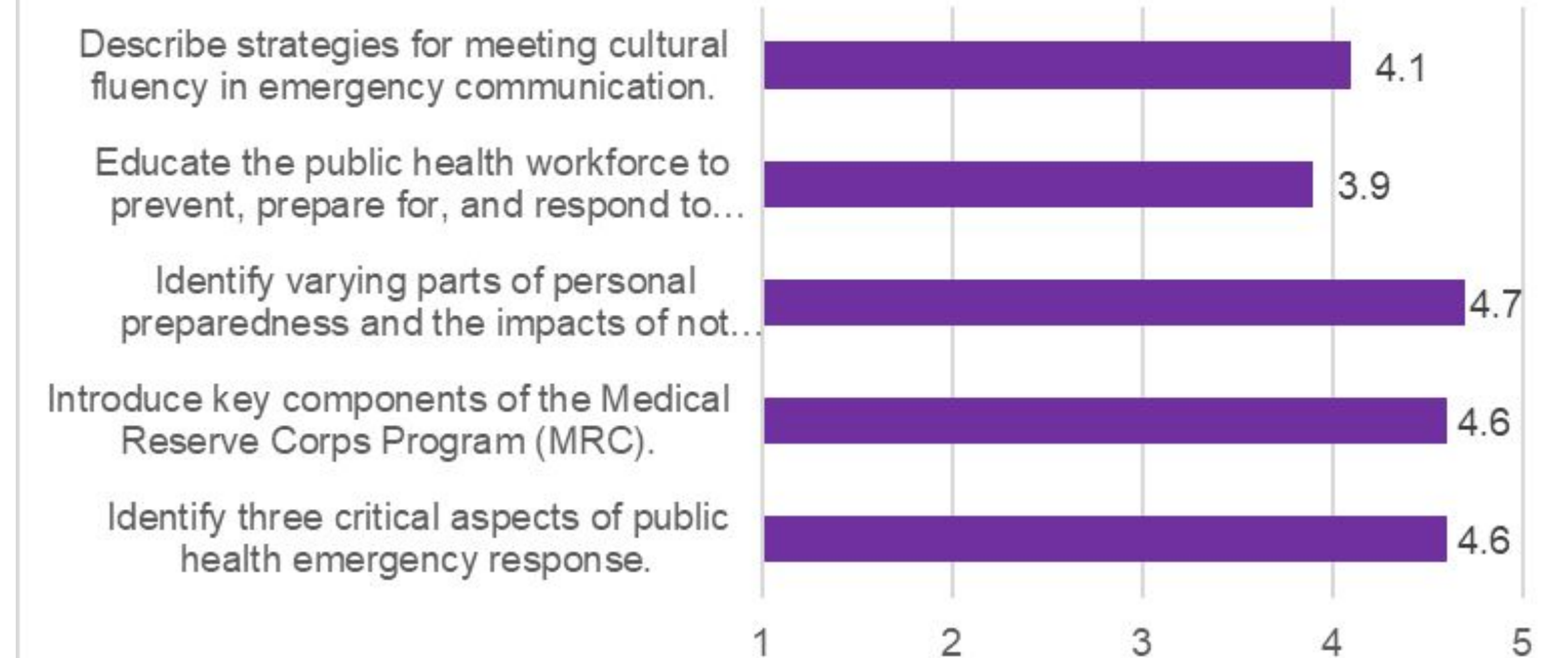
Student Simulation

Simulation Activities

- Hybrid Attendance options
- Videos of prepared and unprepared families
- In-person simulation activity of CHW helping family
- Class discussion and debrief on emergency preparedness
- Guest Speakers:
 - Lillian McDonald - TPTNow
 - Kathy Berlin - Medical Reserve Corps



Simulation Learning Objectives Evaluation (1= strongly disagree to 5 = strongly agree)



More Info and Apply!

[Admissions](#)



[Scholarship form](#)



[St. Kate's Simulation Video](#)



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