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## Central Valley Health Policy Institute leadership class graduates

Nineteen government, advocacy group, public health, education, business and media leaders graduated April 21 as the first cohort of an intense 10-month Central Valley Health Policy Leadership Program.

This one-of-a- kind program is facilitated by the Central Valley Health Policy Institute at Fresno State to give participants an opportunity to increase skills and knowledge for improving health in the region.

Participants worked in teams on research projects that benefit their organizations and/or the community at large. Many of analyses focused on topics relating to health disparities, meeting the needs of the uninsured, improving the supply of health professionals and addressing environmental/economic concerns in Central California.

Those affiliated with Fresno State who graduated after the first cohort are Dr. Felicia Green, an assistant professor in the Department of Kinesiology; Dr. Miguel Perez, an associate professor in the Department of Health Science; and Tonantzin Soto, a graduate research trainee with the Central Valley Health Policy Institute.

Applications for the second cohort are being accepted through Friday, May 5, with classes beginning May 12.

The Health Policy Leadership Program is funded by The California Endowment.

For an application or details about the program, call Brandie Campbell at 278.7940

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