



Montana
Public Health
Training Center

Upcoming Training

Introduction to Data: *Community Health Improvement Planning*

Data analysis can be intimidating because data are often confusing and messy. As health professionals, we must build our toolkit to best navigate challenges in and around data-driven decisions. This training will provide an overview of the essentials of community health program evaluation, using wide-ranging examples to aid participants in understanding how these areas of knowledge can facilitate them in their current professional role and how they can maximize the integrity of data-based decision making.

Objectives:

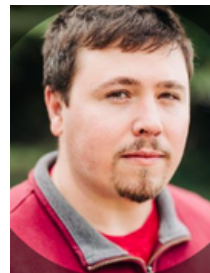
At the end of this training, participants will be able to:

- Understand data origins: primary and secondary sources
- Differentiate different ways data can be collected
- Understand what goes into a Community Assessment for Public Health Emergency Response
- Familiarize with Healthy People 2030 goals and data resources

- **Date:** 10/26/23
- **Time:** 1 pm - 3 pm (MDT)
- **Cost:** No-Cost
- **Location:** Online Webinar
- **Trainer:** Nick Coombs

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**Meet The
Trainer!**

Dr. Nicholas C. Coombs is a public health scientist and research statistician. After obtaining his master's degree in statistics (University of Vermont, '15), he moved to Montana to work for the Center for Clinical Translational Research at Billings Clinic (since renamed Collaboration Science & Innovation). Upon gaining perspective of Montana's unique health challenges, he transitioned back into academia to earn his Ph.D. in public health (University of Montana, '22). His research explored the multidimensionality of barriers to healthcare access in the United States, namely its effects on rural health systems and persons at risk for mental health impairment and well-being.

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