Dear Friends,

As we head into our 20th year of connecting and activating stakeholders and sectors to improve health, IPHI is having more impact than ever. We’ve always known that better health depends on addressing the social and economic inequities facing our communities. That’s why we’ve been working with educators, hospitals, community organizations, payers, community development leaders, transportation groups, the justice system, funders, health departments, and more to improve health not just in Illinois, but across the nation.

These 2016 highlights show how IPHI unites and leads partners to transform health by influencing policy, catalyzing innovations, and building community capacity. Our unique community-driven, multi-sectoral approach is a key strategy for achieving better health at lower cost in today’s highly fluid health and health care environment. You, our collaborators, funders, and friends, are the wind in the sails of our success. Without your partnership, ideas, and energy, we would not be where we are today, and we thank you. We expect many challenges and opportunities in 2017, and look forward to working with you to meet them.

— Elissa J. Bassler, CEO

Voices of IPHI

[IPHI’s Pump Up PE Training] was by far one of the very best in-services that I have attended in the past 27 years. I firmly believe that EVERY PE teacher in the state should be mandated to attend.

— Cook County PE Teacher

[The All In: Data for Community Health learning collaborative facilitated by IPHI] has done more to connect individuals doing similar types of work across the country than any other conference or program. We now have a network of people we can call on who are actually doing the same thing.

— DASH grantee

We’re trying to move to an understanding that all of us together are part of something bigger than our individual institutions...we’re actually part of a movement, a movement of people who can affect and impact the health in the communities that we serve.

— Member of the Health Impact Collaborative of Cook County (facilitated by IPHI)

Building Community Capacity

IPHI is strengthening community capacity to develop and implement multi-sector public health solutions.

2016 Highlights

» Enhanced Physical Education (PE): IPHI developed and offers the Pump Up PE program which trains PE teachers on better classroom approaches to promote children’s physical activity and lifelong fitness. In 2016, IPHI has held 27 trainings for 632 PE teachers in 250 school districts in Illinois. An independent evaluation found increased physical activity levels among students in classes led by teachers who attended the training.

» Strategic Consulting: IPHI builds capacity to understand root causes and work towards health equity. In 2016, 43 government, health and community organizations serving more than 11 million people engaged IPHI to help with strategic health assessment, planning, implementation, and evaluation.

» Suicide Prevention/Juvenile Justice Curriculum Content: IPHI worked with an expert committee to develop a comprehensive summary of suicide prevention strategies and resources to enhance existing staff training in juvenile justice centers, probation, and court services in Illinois.
2016 Highlights

**Health Impact Collaborative of Cook County:** IPHI facilitates one of the largest hospital/community partnerships in the country. In 2016, we helped 29 hospitals, 7 health departments, and 100+ community organizations identify their key health priorities for Cook County in 3 regional stakeholder-engaged community health needs assessments. The collaborative provides a blueprint for members to collectively tackle the greatest health inequities of our region.

**Data Across Sectors for Health (DASH):** IPHI leads DASH, a national Robert Wood Johnson Foundation initiative that builds local collaborations’ ability to share data to improve community health. In 2016, we partnered with similar initiatives to create a nationwide learning collaborative called *All In: Data for Community Health* that accelerates sharing of lessons and insights across 50 local data sharing projects.

Improving Policy

IPHI is advancing new policy solutions to reduce chronic diseases through research and advocacy.

2016 Highlights

**Cook County Sweetened Beverage Tax:** Following six years of state-level advocacy and education by the IPHI-led Illinois Alliance to Prevent Obesity (IAPO), Cook County became the largest jurisdiction in the US to pass a tax on sweetened beverages. In addition to addressing the health harms of sweetened drinks, the penny-per-ounce tax will fund $250,000 in new community grants to address health disparities.

**Englewood Line Trail Health Impact Assessment:** IPHI worked with the Chicago Department of Public Health, the Department of Planning and Development, and community partners to develop recommendations for maximizing the health benefits of the proposed Englewood Line Trail. With agencies aligned around health equity, this disused rail line will be transformed into a safe community space that provides new social and recreational opportunities for nearby residents.

**Bridging to Preventive Care Initiative:** IPHI, with its IAPO partners, launched an intensive policy development effort to create a roadmap for offering evidence-based chronic disease prevention and management programs to Medicaid clients. With an actionable plan in place, we are working with Illinois Healthcare and Family Services and partners to pilot these strategies with Medicaid managed care organizations.
Thank you to our many foundation and project partner funders in 2016

» Action For Healthy Foods
» Action Now Initiative
» Advocate Health Care
» American Heart Association – Voices for Healthy Kids
» Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois
» CBS EcoMedia
» Chicago Community Trust
» Chicago Department of Public Health
» City of St. Louis Department of Health
» Cook County Department of Public Health
» Champaign Urbana Public Health District
» East Maine School District
» Franciscan St. James Health
» Illinois Department of Public Health
» Illinois Public Health Association
» Kane County Health Department
» Kankakee County Partnership for a Healthy Community
» Kendall County Health Department
» Latin United Community Housing Association (LUCHA)
» Loyola University Medical Center / Gottlieb Hospital
» Maricopa County Department of Public Health
» Mercy Hospital & Medical Center
» MidAmerica Center for Public Health Practice at the University of Illinois at Chicago
» National Association of County and City Health Officials
» National Network of Public Health Institutes / Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
» NorthShore University HealthSystem
» Northwestern Memorial HealthCare
» Norwegian American Hospital
» Peoria City / County Health Department
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» Respiratory Health Association of Illinois
» RML Specialty Hospital
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» Rush University Medical Center / Rush Oak Park Hospital
» South Shore Hospital
» Tazewell County Health Department
» The Pew Charitable Trusts & the de Beaumont Foundation
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