



We are excited to announce that applications are now open for the third annual **Faculty Development Program in Health Literacy and Aging!** We hope you will consider joining us for this intensive program sponsored by the Carolina Geriatric Education Center and the UNC Center for Aging and Health.

Among North Carolina's older adults, low health literacy is a significant problem resulting in poor health outcomes. The aim of the Faculty Development Program is to have an immediate impact on the health of older North Carolinians as program graduates put their new knowledge to work teaching others and improving patient care and/or health care delivery.

This year's cohort will include 12 selected clinician leaders with teaching, mentoring or educational program development responsibilities who work in health care, academic settings or in Area Health Education Centers. Past participants include faculty in medicine, nursing, dental hygiene, pharmacy, allied health, and medical education; faculty and program leaders from AHECs; health educators; and clinical practice improvement specialists.

The program requires a commitment of approximately 30 hours. Three sessions will be held in Chapel Hill and the remaining six sessions held through distance learning methods, including Web-based meetings. Please see the program schedule at the end of this invitation for course dates. Note that work outside of class is essential and that each participant will be matched with a mentor who is experienced in dealing with health literacy issues.

Tuition and fees for the program are \$1200. At present, a grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration allows us to offer the course without tuition charges. For more information about sample course content, please visit the 2009 program web site: <http://www.med.unc.edu/aging/cgec/faculty/fdhla/welcome.htm>

You may also contact Cheryl Miller ([cjmillier@med.unc.edu](mailto:cjmillier@med.unc.edu)) or Rebecca Hunter ([Rebecca\\_Hunter@unc.edu](mailto:Rebecca_Hunter@unc.edu)) with questions. To obtain an application, please e-mail [cjmillier@med.unc.edu](mailto:cjmillier@med.unc.edu). Application decisions will be made on a rolling basis through December 15, 2009.

We would be grateful if you would share this invitation with colleagues... and we do hope you'll join us in this unique and valuable course!



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**Faculty Development Program in Health Literacy and Aging  
Year 3 – Spring 2010  
Program Session Dates**

- **Session #1: January 22**  
**In-person: 12:15 – 4:00 pm (includes lunch)**  
**Chapel Hill Location TBD**
- Session #2: February 5  
Web/conference call: 12:00 – 1:30 pm
- Session #3: February 19  
Web/conference call: 12:00 – 1:30 pm
- Session #4: March 5  
Web/conference call: 12:00 – 1:30 pm
- **Session #5: March 19**  
**In-person: 1:00 – 4:00 pm**  
**Sheps Center, 725 MLK Blvd.**  
**Chapel Hill**
- Session #6: April 9  
Web/conference call: 12:00 – 1:30 pm
- Session #7: April 23  
Web/conference call: 12:00 – 1:30 pm
- Session #8: May 14  
Web/conference call: 12:00 – 1:30 pm
- **Session #9: June 4**  
**In-person: 1:00 – 4:00 pm**  
**Sheps Center, 725 MLK Blvd.**  
**Chapel Hill**