## **CREATING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES:** ARTS + PUBLIC HEALTH IN AMERICA

A national initiative led by the University of Florida Center for Arts in Medicine in partnership with ArtPlace America

Pre-conference Working Group, Austin, Texas, October 7, 2018

Frequently Asked Questions

When is the event? Oct. 7, 2018 from 9am to 4pm. The room will open at 8.30am for check-in, and we encourage you to arrive by 8:45 at the latest. We will also keep the room open for social time and networking from 4-5pm.

Where is it? The Austin Convention Center at 500 E. Cesar Chavez St., Austin, TX 78701.

Who will be there? There will be 50-60 people. 20 spots were made available for people attending the NOAH conference and the remainder of spots were filled by invited participants. Our group will include practitioners, leaders, educators, researchers, policy-makers and thought leaders from the arts, public health, creative placemaking and community development sectors.

What should I expect? A fun, dynamic and interactive day of knowledge and practice sharing, provocation, embodied dialogue, performance and inspiration. The day is designed to move quickly and to draw out deep and broad thinking and new ideas. We have brought together an intentionally broad range of disciplinary representation, and we want to hear from everyone. So, expect your voice to be heard. We will capture everything and create proceedings, which we will share with you all.

Where will I be staying? Invited participants will be staying at the Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol, located at 701 E 11th St, Austin, TX 78701 / (512) 478-1111. To find your reservation, please quote our group booking name: Creating Healthy Communities. Check in is at 3pm, and check out is at 12pm. Breakfast will be included. For any additional assistance about your booking, please contact our group contact at the Sheraton Elizabeth Kitzman - email: ekitzman@sheratonhotelaustin.com

What should I bring? Ideas, enthusiasm, expertise. Bring a laptop or other devise. We will provide you with a notebook and pencil as well as with a folder of program materials.

What should I wear? Attire is business casual. We'll be on our feet for some of the time, so please wear comfortable shoes and comfortable attire. Early October in Austin can be warm and dry. The average temperatures are ranging from highs of around 82 °F to lows of 61 °F. The Austin Conference Center can be chilly, so a sweater or layers are recommended.

Who should I contact with Questions? If you have any questions, please contact our event coordinator Bridget Madden: <u>bmadden@arts.ufl.edu</u>







