“The Practice of Collaborative Governance to Solve Public Issues”

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Collaborative Governance is a term used to describe a variety of processes in which stakeholders representing a wide range of interests are convened to work together to achieve solutions that go beyond what any one party could achieve on its own. This course provides an introduction to the spectrum, principles, and practices of collaborative governance. Specifically, students will learn how to apply a five stage model for effective collaborative decision making to resolve public issues. The skills needed to structure meetings, facilitate groups and reach decisions using consensus will be highlighted. This highly interactive training will combine didactic lecture, small and large group exercises, demonstration, and coached role play. This training is being provided by faculty of the National Policy Consensus Center (NPCC), and qualifies participants to serve as interns for collaborative projects within their Center. *Previous training in mediation skills is required.*

**A G E N D A**

**Friday, February 8, 2013 1:00-6:00pm**
- Defining Collaboration
- Choosing Appropriate Decision Making Models
- Overview of Collaborative Governance
- Collaborating in a Public Policy Context
- Tools for Effective Facilitation: Meeting Planning & Design
- Understanding Roles in the Process
- Charting for Creating Collective Conversation

**Saturday, February 9, 2013 8:00am-6:00pm**
- The Assessment and Planning Stage - Key points; Interview questions; Structuring the interview
- Framing - Highlights of Framing & Frame Issue for Role Play
- Recording for Effective Group Outcomes
- Organizational Stage - Representation; Process Design; Working Agreements; Forming the Group
- Education Stage - Overview; Designing an educational meeting; Uncovering Interests
- Conducting & Recording an Organizational/Educational Meeting

**Sunday, February 10, 2013 8:00am-6:00pm**
- Negotiation & Implementation Stages - Goals for the Stages; Understanding Consensus Decision Making; Tools for Facilitating Consensus
- Planning a Negotiation & Decision Making Meeting
- Selecting a Process
- Conducting & Recording a Negotiation/Commitment Meeting
- Challenges to the Collaboration Process and the Spectrum of Collaborative Governance Approaches