

2018 programme - due to popular demand.
Dunsilly Hotel, Antrim

Despite people living longer health inequalities continue to divide our society.

This training programme is timely and will support 'building capacity to reduce inequalities and ensure the next generation is healthy and well' a critical element of Health and Wellbeing 2026 Delivering Together, Community Plans across Northern Ireland and the Draft Programme for Government Framework 2016-21.

Already, many sectors contribute to reducing inequalities. Addressing these 'striking' health inequalities outlined by the Expert Panel led by Professor Rafael Bengoa requires a shared focus by all sectors to ensure their policies and actions reduce the difference in health and wellbeing outcomes. The training will provide participants with a platform to support increased partnership working and align the cross-sectoral priority to reduce inequalities and leaving no one behind.

The Reducing Inequalities: Getting Results Flagship Training Programme will comprise four modules which will take participants from the identification and definition of inequality right through to the types of successful interventions from across the World Health Organization (WHO) European Healthy Cities Network which can be transferred to Northern Ireland.

The programme will be facilitated by Erica Ison, WHO Expert Advisor and Specialist in Health Equity in All Policies, and Belfast Healthy Cities to be held in the Dunsilly Hotel, Antrim.

Module 1 **Wednesday 24 January 2018**

Inequalities in Context - Setting the Scene

Addressing health inequalities in society this module will enhance understanding of inequalities and awareness of the effectiveness of current policies in tackling inequality.

Module 2 **Wednesday 7 February 2018**

Collation and interpretation of the information on inequalities

Exploring the current information and data on inequalities, participants will better understand how to identify and interpret key sources of information.

Module 3 **Wednesday 21 February 2018**

Integrating inequalities into policy development

Stressing the importance of factoring inequalities into policy development at the earliest stage, this module will provide greater understanding of the tools which can be used to integrate inequality into policy.

Module 4 **Wednesday 7 March 2018**

Developing appraisal skills and applying the learning

Providing examples of good policy practice from elsewhere this module will highlight practical learning from other cities and regions, and how that knowledge and experience can be applied.

Applications are welcome from public, community and voluntary sector organisations. Places on this programme are limited to 25. Please show an expression of interest by Friday 22 December 2017 by contacting anne@belfasthealthycities.com Completed application forms should be returned by Wednesday 10 January 2018.