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Active Design Guidelines	The Active Design Guidelines provides architects and urban designers with a manual of strategies for creating healthier buildings, streets, and urban spaces, based on the latest academic research and best practices in the field.	Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://www.nyc.gov/html/ddc/html/design/active_design.shtml
Active Living by Design (ALBD)	ALBD creates community-led change by working with local and national partners to build a culture of active living and healthy eating. The organization provides technical assistance and strategic consultation to communities, professionals, nonprofit agencies and philanthropic organizations across the United States.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Consulting	http://www.activelivingbydesign.org/what-we-do/services
American Heart Association Childhood Obesity Rapid Response Fund	The mission of this fund is to make effective strategic investments in ongoing state and local public policy campaigns in order to increase public policy impact on healthy weight and living among children. This funding is targeted at passage of new public policy, however proposals for defense of existing critical policy as well as addressing policy implementation deficiencies are also eligible.	Leaders and individuals	Grants	Funding	http://www.heart.org/idc/groups/heart-public/@wcm/@tcs/documents/downloadable/ucm_433609.pdf
America Walks	America Walks is a national nonprofit building a coalition to advance walking at a national level and to serve as a coordinator, information clearinghouse, and resource provider.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Network, Guides	http://americawalks.org/
Association for Community Health Improvement (ACHI)	ACHI is a national association for community health, community benefit, and healthy communities professionals. They provide education, professional development, peer networking, and tools to help with achievement of community health goals.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Network, Education, Guides	http://www.communityhlt.org/communityhlt/about/mission.html
Association of State & Territorial Public Health Nutrition Directors (ASTPHND)	ASTPHND is a nonprofit membership organization that provides state and national leadership on food and nutrition policy, programs, and services. They hold events, produce reports, and provide small grants to support state and local policy-makers in improving national nutrition and well-being.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Network, Guides, Funding	http://www.astphnd.org/newsletter.php?sid=5d31b6&issue_id=11
Built Environment Assessment Training (BEAT) Institute	BEAT Institute is a week-long institute designed to train investigators and practitioners tangible skills that can be used to measure many of the aspects of the built environment that are believed to have an effect on health.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Education	http://www.med.upenn.edu/beat/
Center for Civic Partnerships	The Center for Civic Partnerships' mission is to provide leadership and management support to build healthier communities and more effective nonprofit organizations.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Guides	http://www.civicpartnerships.org/



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CDC's Division of Community Health (DCH)	DCH promotes sustainable community action to improve health and achieve health equity. Working with communities, states, tribes, territories, and a variety of federal and nongovernmental partners, the division is committed to strengthening community-level health efforts throughout the nation and to helping communities prevent disease and promote healthy living.	Leaders and individuals	Government	Funding, Guides	http://www.cdc.gov/NCCD/PHP/dch/about/index.htm
DCH's Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW)	CPPW is a locally driven initiative supporting 50 communities to tackle obesity and tobacco use -- two leading preventable causes of death and disability in the United States. Through CPPW, communities are implementing environmental changes to make healthy living easier, such as improving means for safe active transportation for pedestrians, bicyclists, and mass transit users and ensuring provision of healthy food and beverage options in schools.	Leaders and individuals	Grants	Funding	http://www.cdc.gov/CommunitiesPuttingPreventiontoWork/
DCH's Community Transformation Grants (CTG)	The CTG program will support community-level efforts to reduce chronic diseases such as heart disease, cancer, stroke, and diabetes. By promoting healthy lifestyles, especially among population groups experiencing the greatest burden of chronic disease, these grants will help improve health, reduce health disparities, and control health care spending.	Leaders and individuals	Grants	Funding	http://www.cdc.gov/communitytransformation/
DCH's Healthy Communities Program	CDC's Healthy Communities Program works with communities through local, state and territory, and national partnerships to improve community leaders and stakeholders' skills and commitments for establishing, advancing, and maintaining effective population-based strategies that reduce the burden of chronic disease and achieve health equity.	Leaders and individuals	Government	Consulting, Guides	http://www.cdc.gov/healthycommunitiesprogram/
CDC's Strategies for Reducing Consumption of Sugar-Sweetened Beverages	--	Leaders and individuals, Schools and early childhood, Employers and institutions	Guide	--	http://www.cdph.ca.gov/SiteCollectionDocuments/StratstoReduce_Sugar_Sweetened_Bevs.pdf
CDC's State Indicator Reports	--	Leaders and individuals	Data	--	http://www.cdc.gov/obesity/resources/reports.html



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CDC's Guide to Community Preventative Services (The Community Guide)	This Guide is a free, evidence-based resource to help communities choose the best disease prevention programs and policies. The publication is based on a scientific, systematic review of public health interventions and on the recommendations of a CDC-appointed task force.	Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://www.thecommunityguide.org/index.html
ChangeLab Solutions (formerly Public Health Law and Policy (PHLP))	ChangeLab Solutions provides technical assistance to communities interested in improving public health conditions. It provides a compendium of helpful resources, including model contracts, legal memos, model policies, and community-tailored training for easy adoption and use by communities.	Leaders and individuals, Employers and Institutions	Organization	Guides	http://changelabsolutions.org/
ChangeLab Solutions' Growing Change: A Farm Bill Primer for Communities	--	Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://changelabsolutions.org/sites/phlpnet.org/files/GrowingChange_FarmBillPrimer_Final_20120313.pdf
ChangeLab Solutions' Playing Smart: A National Joint Use Toolkit	--	Leaders and individuals, Schools and early childhood	Guide	--	http://changelabsolutions.org/publications/playing-smart
ChangeLab Solutions' Putting Business to Work for Health: Incentive Policies for the Private Sector	--	Leaders and individuals, Employers and institutions	Guide	--	http://changelabsolutions.org/sites/phlpnet.org/files/Incentives_Guide_FINAL_20120217.pdf
Community Commons	This is a user-friendly, interactive website that uses contextualized mapping and over 7,000 GIS data layers to display information about hundreds of community initiatives that are working to promote health at the local level throughout the country. Groups, regardless of funding source, are encouraged to connect to explore interests and challenges, share resources and best practices, and highlight innovative leadership.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Data	http://www.communitycommons.org/



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Convergence Partnership	The Convergence Partnership promotes equity, respects and recognizes that communities have existing assets, learns from new evidence, and strives to have the wisdom to redirect its efforts when circumstances call for such a change. The Convergence Partnership utilizes three core strategies to support the creation of environments that foster good health for all communities: build support for equitable policy and environmental changes that promote healthy people in healthy places; promote and support coordination and connections among government officials, funders, advocates, and practitioners across multiple fields and sectors; and optimize and increase investments that will expand the intensity, reach, and number of community-based initiatives focused on equitable, multi-sector policy change that improve food and physical environments.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Guides	http://www.convergencepartnership.org/site/c.fhLOK6PELmF/b.6136239/k.C925/About_Us.htm
Convergence Partnerships' Promising Strategies for Healthy Eating and Active Living Environments	--	Leaders and individuals	Guide		http://www.convergencepartnership.org/atf/cf/%7B245a9b44-6ded-4abd-a392-ae583809e350%7D/PROMISING%20STRATEGIES-07.18.11.PDF
Council of State Governments (CSG) Knowledge Center	CSG is a membership organization for elected and appointed state and territorial officials in the United States. The organization's staff make recommendations on promising approaches to public policy. The Health Policy Group provides policy analysis and innovative programming for state health policy leaders in the legislative and executive branches and develops publications and health forums for state leaders.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Network, Guides	http://knowledgecenter.csg.org/kc/view-policy-areas/78
CSG's Healthy States Initiative	The Healthy States Initiative focuses on more than 20 major public health issues facing states. The website links to toolkits, reports, data, and other organizations that are intended to serve as useful resources for state policymakers.	Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://www.healthystates.csg.org/Public+Health+Issues/
County Health Rankings	The County Health Rankings & Roadmaps program helps communities create solutions that make it easier for people to be healthy in their own communities, focusing on specific factors that are known to affect health, such as education and income. The County Health Roadmaps show what we can do to create healthier places to live, learn, work and play.	Leaders and individuals	Data	--	http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/about-project



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Every Body Walk Campaign	Every Body Walk is an online educational campaign aimed at getting Americans up and moving. They are working to spread the message that walking 30 minutes a day, five days a week can improve your overall health and prevent disease. They provide news and resources on walking, health information, walking maps, how to find walking groups, a personal pledge form to start walking, as well as a place to share stories about individual experiences with walking.	Leaders and individuals	Education	--	http://everybodywalk.org/newsroom.html
Food First's Cutting Through the Red Tape: A Resource Guide for Local Food Policy Practitioners and Organizers	The purpose of the Institute for Food and Development Policy -- Food First -- is to eliminate the injustices that cause hunger. This guide We have collects a sample of local food policy experiences and resources to provide community advocates with practical tools and ideas for creating local food policy change.	Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://www.foodfirst.org/sites/www.foodfirst.org/files/pdf/PB_19_Cutting_Through_the_Red_Tape.pdf
Food Insight: Your Nutrition and Food Safety Resource	This is the website for the International Food Information Council Foundation, an organization that provides food safety, nutrition, and healthful eating information to help individuals make good and safe food choices.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Guides	http://www.foodinsight.org/
The Food Trust	The Food Trust strives to make healthy food available to all. Working with neighborhoods, schools, grocers, farmers, and policymakers, the organization has developed a comprehensive approach that combines nutrition education and greater availability of affordable, healthy food.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Consulting, Guides	http://www.thefoodtrust.org/php/about/OurMission.php
Food Research and Action Center (FRAC)	FRAC is a national nonprofit organization working to improve public policies and public-private partnerships to eradicate hunger and undernutrition in the United States. Among other activities, FRAC provides coordination, training, technical assistance and support on nutrition and anti-poverty issues to a nationwide network of advocates, service providers, food banks, program administrators and participants, and policymakers.	Leaders and individuals, Schools and early childhood	Organization	Consulting, Guides	http://frac.org/about/
HHS Office on Women's Health (OWH)	OWH's mission is to provide leadership to promote health equity for women and girls through sex/gender-specific approaches. OWH achieves its mission and vision by developing innovative programs, educating health professionals, and motivating behavior change in consumers through the dissemination of health information.	Leaders and individuals, Employers and institutions	Government	Education, Guides, Data	http://womenshealth.gov/about-us/
HHS Office On Women's Health Quick Health Data Online	--	Leaders and individuals	Data	--	http://www.healthstatus2020.com/owh/



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Leadership for Healthy Communities: Advancing Policies to Support Healthy Eating & Active Living	LHC is a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation designed to support local and state government leaders nationwide in their efforts to reduce childhood obesity through public policies that promote active living, healthy eating and access to healthy foods. The program places special emphasis on promoting policies with the greatest potential for increasing sustainable opportunities for physical activity and healthy eating among children at highest risk for obesity.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Network, Guides	http://www.leadershipforhealthycommunities.org/index.php/about-us-mainmenu-12
Leadership for Healthy Communities Action Strategies Toolkit	The policy options and resources within the Leadership for Healthy Communities Action Strategies Toolkit represent a collection of current best approaches that have been identified, evaluated and selected by Leadership for Healthy Communities and the policy-maker organizations that have participated in the program.	Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://www.leadershipforhealthycommunities.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=352&Itemid=154
Model Design Manual for Living Streets	The Model Street Design Manual was created by national experts in living streets concepts. This manual focuses on all users and all modes, seeking to achieve balanced street design that accommodates cars while ensuring that pedestrians, cyclists, and transit users can travel safely and comfortably.	Leaders and individuals, Researchers	Guide	--	http://modelstreetdesignmanual.com/index.html
National Physical Activity Plan	The National Physical Activity Plan is a comprehensive set of policies, programs, and initiatives that aim to increase physical activity in all segments of the American population. The Plan is the product of a private-public sector collaborative. The National Physical Activity Plan is comprised of recommendations that are organized in eight sectors: industry, education, health care, mass media, recreation and fitness, public health, transportation and land use, and nonprofit.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Guides	http://www.physicalactivityplan.org/theplan.php
PolicyLink	PolicyLink is a national research and action institute advancing economic and social equity by lifting up what works. PolicyLink connects the work of people on the ground to the creation of sustainable communities of opportunity that allow everyone to participate and prosper.	Leaders and individuals	Organization		http://www.policylink.org/site/c.lkIXLbMNJrE/b.5136713/k.8AB6/Health_and_Place_Tool_Group.htm



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Prevention Institute	Prevention Institute is a national nonprofit that serves as a focal point for primary prevention practice -- promoting policies, organizational practices, and collaborative efforts that improve health and quality of life. Prevention Institute synthesizes research and practice; develops prevention tools and frameworks; helps design and guide interdisciplinary partnerships; and conducts training and strategic consultation with government, foundations, and community-based organizations nationwide and internationally.	Leaders and individuals, Researchers	Organization	Guides, Consulting, Education	http://www.preventioninstitute.org/about-us.html
Prevention Institute's Communities Taking Action: Profiles of Health Equity	Communities Taking Action is a collection of profiles that showcase successful community initiatives aimed at improving health equity. The profiles demonstrate how strong leadership, community engagement and advocacy, innovative thinking and changes in local policies and institutional practices can successfully converge to shape healthier, more equitable community environments.	Leaders and individuals, Researchers	Guide	--	http://www.preventioninstitute.org/tools/focus-area-tools/communities-taking-action-profiles-of-health-equity.html
Public Health Law Center	The Public Health Law Center is a national non-profit organization of law and policy specialists that help health leaders, officials, and advocates use the law to advance public health. The organization is a respected legal resource for dozens of local, state, national, and international health organizations.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Consulting, Guides	http://publichealthlawcenter.org/about
Yale Rudd Center for Food Policy and Obesity	The Rudd Center for Food Policy & Obesity is a non-profit research and public policy organization devoted to improving the world's diet, preventing obesity, and reducing weight stigma. The organization serves as a research institution and clearinghouse for resources that add to understanding of the shaping American diets, weight stigma, and change.	Researchers, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Guides, Network	http://www.yaleruddcenter.org/
Rudd Center's Revenue Calculator for Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Taxes	Taxes on sugar-sweetened beverages can generate considerable revenue for states, cities, and the nation. This calculator produces expected revenue by allowing the user to list the tax per ounce and the type of beverages to be taxed.	Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=21393&cid=XEM_A5779
Safe Routes to School Guide	This guide is a comprehensive online reference manual designed to support the development of Safe Routes to School (SRTS) programs. It provides links to other SRTS publications and training resources. Readers of the online guide can pick and choose specific topics based on their interests and needs, such as guidelines for adult school crossing guards, tools to create school route maps, and ways to include children with disabilities in SRTS initiatives.	Leaders and individuals, Schools and early childhood	Guide	--	http://guide.saferoutesinfo.org/



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Safe Routes to School National Partnership	The Safe Routes to School National Partnership is a fast-growing network of hundreds of organizations, government agencies and professional groups working to set goals, share best practices, leverage infrastructure and program funding, and advance policy change to help agencies that implement Safe Routes to School programs.	Leaders and individuals, Schools and early childhood	Network, Funding	--	http://www.saferoutespartnership.org/about
Trust for America's Health (TFAH)	TFAH is an advocacy-oriented organization dedicated to promoting and protecting the nation's health that has assembled important information on the economics of disease prevention. Groups can utilize TFAH's findings to understand the broad implications of, and justify their investment in, various health-related interventions.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Guides	http://healthyamericans.org/
TFAH's The Compendium of Community-Based Prevention Programs	The Compendium of Proven Community-Based Prevention Programs report includes a summary and examples from an extensive literature review that NYAM conducted of peer reviewed studies evaluating the effectiveness of community-based disease prevention programs designed to reduce tobacco use, increase physical activity, and/or improve eating habits.	Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://healthyamericans.org/report/66/prevention
USDA Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Resources	--	Leaders and individuals	Government	Guides	http://www.fns.usda.gov/ora/menu/Published/SNAP/SNAP.htm
USDA Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion (CNPP) MyPlate Resources	ChooseMyPlate.gov is an interactive website providing comprehensive information and tools for individuals, schools, and healthcare professionals on weight management and calories and physical activity.	Leaders and individuals, Schools and early childhood, Healthcare providers	Government	Guides	http://www.choosemyplate.gov/
Walk Friendly Communities' Community Assessment Tool	The purpose of this tool is twofold; it serves to both recognize existing walkable communities and to provide a framework for communities seeking to improve their walkability. Recognizing that there are many ways to achieve these outcomes, the range of questions in this tool attempts to capture the variety of factors that affect walkability.	Leaders and Individuals	Guide	Data	http://www.walkfriendly.org/WFCAssessmentTool_Nov2011.pdf



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YMCA's Healthier Communities Initiatives	YMCA's Healthier Communities Initiatives are built on the concept that local communities can work together to give all community members healthy choices and support the pursuit of healthy lifestyles. Ys engaged in initiatives are helping families put nutritious food on the table by bringing farmers markets with fresh fruits and vegetables to neighborhoods where healthy food options are scarce; giving parents peace of mind when they let their kids walk to school by creating safer routes; and keeping a generation of kids healthier by working with schools to increase physical education and physical activity during the school day.	Leaders and individuals	Organization	Consulting, Guides	http://www.ymca.net/healthier-communities/



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Resources for Schools and Early Childhood					
Action for Healthy Kids	Action for Healthy Kids addresses childhood undernourishment, obesity, and prevention by working with schools to help kids learn to eat right and be active every day. The organization also partners with families, community members, professionals, and business to support schools in this effort.	Schools and Early childhood	Organization	Consulting	http://www.actionforhealthykids.org/who-we-are/our-approach/
Action for Healthy Kids' Wellness Policy Tool	Action for Healthy Kids developed this tool with input from partner organizations and team members to help districts create a local wellness policy that meets their district's unique goals for nutrition and physical activity and take the next steps to put the policy into action to positively impact students' health and lifelong choices.	Schools and Early childhood	Guide	--	http://www.actionforhealthykids.org/for-schools/wellness-policy-tool/
Afterschool Alliance	The Afterschool Alliance is working to ensure that all children have access to affordable, quality afterschool programs. Afterschool programs are critical to children and families today, yet the need for programs is far from being met.	Schools and Early childhood	Organization	Network, Guides	http://www.afterschoolalliance.org/aboutUs.cfm
Alliance for a Healthier Generation	The goal of the Alliance is to reduce the prevalence of childhood obesity by 2015, and to empower kids nationwide to make healthy lifestyle choices. The organization provides leadership through programs and tools targeting healthcare, schools, industry, and youth.	Schools and early childhood, Employers and institutions, Healthcare professionals	Organization	Consulting, Guides	http://www.healthiergeneration.org/default.aspx
Alliance for a Healthier Generation's Healthy Schools Program Resource Database	--	Schools and early childhood	Guide	--	https://schools.healthiergeneration.org/resources_tools/
Alliance for a Healthier Generation's Healthier School Meals Tools	--	Schools and early childhood	Guide	--	http://www.healthiergeneration.org/schools.aspx?id=5655
Alliance for a Healthier Generation's Product Navigator Tool	--	Schools and early childhood	Guide	--	https://schools.healthiergeneration.org/resources_tools/school_meals/product_navigator/



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Bridging the Gap: Research Informing Policies and Practices for Healthy Youth	Bridging the Gap is a national research program with a goal of improving understanding of how policies and environmental factors affect diet, physical activity, and obesity among youth, among other goals.	Researchers, Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Guides	http://www.bridgingthega.org/
Bridging the Gap's Activity Breaks: A Promising Strategy for Keeping Children Physically Active at School	--	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://www.bridgingthega.org/asset/95kw63/btg_activity_breaks_final_05-17-12.pdf
CDC's School Health Guidelines to Promote Healthy Eating and Physical Activity	CDC synthesized research and best practices related to promoting healthy eating and physical activity in schools, culminating in nine guidelines. These guidelines were informed by the Dietary Guidelines for Americans, the Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans, and the Healthy People 2020 objectives related to healthy eating and physical activity among children, adolescents, and schools. The guidelines serve as the foundation for developing, implementing, and evaluating school-based healthy eating and physical activity policies and practices for students.	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://www.cdc.gov/healthyouth/npao/strategies.htm
Center for Healthy Child and Youth Development (a project of the Altarum Institute)	The Center for Healthy Child and Youth Development makes strategic investments in partnerships and projects to examine, demonstrate, and support efforts designed to promote healthy children and youth. The work employs a socio-ecologic approach that addresses children; their families; the organizations that serve them; and the communities in which they live, work, and play.	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Funding, Guides	http://www.altarum.org/research-initiatives-health-systems-health-care/improving-human-health-systems-research-center/healthy-child
The Edible Schoolyard Project	This online program allows educational garden, kitchen, and lunch programs around the world to network, share their lessons and best practices, and gain a collective voice for change.	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Network, Guides	http://edibleschoolyard.org/our-story
Fuel Up to Play 60	Fuel Up to Play 60 uses the power of collaboration to help make everyone at the school healthier by fueling up with nutrient-rich foods and being active for 60 minutes or more a day. With Fuel Up to Play 60, adults and students work together to choose and implement school-improving changes that best meet the school's wellness goals.	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Education, Network	http://school.fueluptoplay60.com/welcome/



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Let's Move: America's Move to Raise a Healthier Generation of Kids	Let's Move! is a comprehensive initiative, launched by the First Lady, dedicated to solving the challenge of childhood obesity within a generation, so that children born today will grow up healthier and able to pursue their dreams. The organization provides helpful information and resources to parents, schools, and communities to foster environments that support healthy choices.	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and Individuals	Organization	Consulting, Guides	http://www.letsmove.gov/learn-facts/epidemic-childhood-obesity
Nemours' Healthy Kids Healthy Future Let's Move Child Care	Nemours is a leader in early childhood. This site provides resources for child care providers to improve nutrition and increase physical activity as well as other helpful tips.	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://healthykidshealthyfuture.org/welcome.html
National Food Service Management Institute (NFSMI)	NFSMI, part of the School of Applied Science at The University of Mississippi, is the only federally funded national center dedicated to applied research, education and training, and technical assistance for child nutrition programs. A trusted source for accurate, reliable information, the NFSMI offers face-to-face and on-site training seminars at little or no cost and free online courses designed to support the professional development of child nutrition program and child care personnel at all levels of responsibility. The Institute also delivers free training resources managers can use to train their staff.	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Education, Guides	http://www.nfsmi.org/Templates/TemplateDivision.aspx?q=cEIEPTE=
National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education	The National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education provides resources for child care providers, parents, policy-makers, and researchers.	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Guides	http://nrckids.org/
USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) Farm to School Grants	The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (HHFKA) amended Section 18 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (NSLA) to establish a Farm to School program in order to assist eligible entities, through grants and technical assistance, in implementing farm to school programs that improve access to local foods in eligible schools. FNS is charged with implementing the farm to school program. Grant funds will be made available on a competitive basis, subject to availability of Federal funds.	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals, Farms	Grants	Funding	http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/f2s/f2_grant_program.htm



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USDA Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program	Community Food Projects should be designed to 1): meet the food needs of low-income people; increase the self-reliance of communities in providing for their own food needs; and promote comprehensive responses to local food, farm, and nutrition issues; and/or 2): meet specific state, local, or neighborhood food and agriculture needs for infrastructure improvement and development; planning for long-term solutions; or the creation of innovative marketing activities that mutually benefit agricultural producers and low-income consumers.	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals, Farms	Grants	Funding	http://www.nifa.usda.gov/fo/communityfoodprojects.cfm
USDA Chefs Move to Schools	Chefs Move to School just launched a new website, complete with great resources and tools for chefs and schools to use in improving the way children interact with food, from the cafeteria to the classroom. The new website is for chefs and schools, allowing them to sign up for the program; access training, recipes and resources; and learn how chefs and schools across the country are partnering to create healthier school environments.	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals, Farms	Government	Network	http://www.chefsmovetoschools.org/
USDA People's Garden Project	The People's Garden Project has grown into a collaborative effort of over 700 local and national organizations all working together to establish community and school gardens across the country. The simple act of planting a garden can help unite neighborhoods in a common effort and inspire locally-led solutions to challenges facing our country -- from hunger to the environment.	Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals	Government	Network	http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?nav=PEOPLES_GARDEN&navtype=RT



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The American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM)	ACOEM represents more than 4,500 physicians and other health care professionals specializing in the field of occupational and environmental medicine (OEM). In addition to other activities, the organization conducts continuing education courses such as Basic Curriculum in Occupational and offers training in Occupational Medicine. In 1997, ACOEM introduced the Corporate Health Achievement Award to recognize the finest health programs in North American companies.	Employers and institutions, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Education	http://www.acoem.org/aboutACOEM.aspx
Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative (BFHI) USA	BFHI is a global program sponsored by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) to encourage and recognize hospitals and birthing centers that offer an optimal level of care for infant feeding. The organization assists hospitals in giving mothers the information, confidence, and skills needed to successfully initiate and continue breastfeeding their babies or feeding formula safely, and gives special recognition to hospitals that have done so.	Employers and institutions, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Guides, Education	http://www.babyfriendlyusa.org/eng/01.html
CDC's National Survey in Infant Nutrition and Care (mPINC)	mPINC is a national survey of maternity care practices and policies that is conducted by the CDC every 2 years beginning in 2007. The survey is mailed to all facilities with registered maternity beds in the United States and Territories.	Employers and institutions, Leaders and Individuals	Data	--	http://www.cdc.gov/breastfeeding/data/mpinc/index.htm
CDC's National Healthy Worksite Program (NHW)	The NHW Program is designed to assist employers in implementing science and practice-based prevention and wellness strategies that will lead to specific, measureable health outcomes to reduce chronic disease rates.	Employers and institutions	Government	Guides	http://www.cdc.gov/NationalHealthyWorksite/
CDC's Healthy Hospital to Practice Series (P2P)	This P2P Series presents case studies of hospitals improving their environments to better support the health of their employees and embody the mission of their organization.	Employers and institutions	Guide	--	http://www.cdc.gov/nccdp/hp/dnpao/hwi/resources/hospital_p2p.htm
CDC's Obesity Cost Calculator	CDC's Obesity Cost Calculator uses input data provided by human resources or benefits personnel to calculate an estimate of the costs to an organization that are obesity related.	Employers and institutions	Guide	--	http://www.cdc.gov/leanworks/costcalculator/index.html



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ChangeLab Solutions (formerly Public Health Law and Policy (PHLP))	ChangeLab Solutions provides technical assistance to communities interested in improving public health conditions. It provides a compendium of helpful resources, including model contracts, legal memos, model policies, and community-tailored training for easy adoption and use by communities.	Leaders and individuals, Employers and Institutions	Organization	Guides	http://changelabsolutions.org/
ChangeLab Solutions' Opening Up Stairwells for Physical Activity	--	Employers and institutions	Guide	--	http://changelabsolutions.org/publications/opening-up-stairwells-physical-activity?utm_content=jkohr%2540cdc.gov&utm_source=VerticalResponse&utm_medium=Email&utm_term=Download%2520our%2520research%2520and%2520outreach%2520tools&utm_campaign=Opening%2520the%2520Stairwells%253A%2520Big%2520Benefits%252C%2520Low%2520Risk
Children's Food and Beverage Advertising Initiative (CBFAI)	The Initiative is a voluntary self-regulation program comprising many of the nation's largest food and beverage companies. The Initiative is designed to shift the mix of foods advertised to children under 12 to encourage healthier dietary choices and healthy lifestyles.	Employers and institutions	Organization	Network	http://www.bbb.org/us/childrens-food-and-beverage-advertising-initiative/
The Foodservice GS1 US Standards Initiative	The Foodservice GS1 US Standards Initiative is a voluntary, collaborative industry effort seeking to drive waste out of the foodservice supply chain, improve product information, and establish a foundation for food safety through better traceability. Today, over 80 foodservice manufacturers, distributors, operators, associations, and others are members of the Initiative, focused on driving better efficiency, product information, and traceability with GS1 Standards.	Employers and Institutions	Organization	Network	http://www.gs1us.org/industries/foodservice/foodservice-initiative
The Health Enhancement Research Organization (HERO)	HERO is a national leader in the creation of Employee Health Management: Research, Education, Policy, Strategy, Leadership and Infrastructure.	Employers and institutions	Organization	Guides	http://www.the-hero.org/



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Healthy Weight Commitment Foundation	The Healthy Weight Commitment Foundation is a national, multi-year effort designed to help reduce obesity -- especially childhood obesity -- by 2015. It brings together retailers, food and beverage manufacturers, restaurants, sporting goods and insurance companies, trade associations and non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and professional sports organizations. The organization focuses its efforts on two critical areas -- families and schools.	Employers and Institutions, Leaders and individuals, Schools and early childhood	Organization	Network	http://www.healthyweightcommit.org/about/overview/
HHS Office on Women's Health (OWH)	OWH's mission is to provide leadership to promote health equity for women and girls through sex/gender-specific approaches. OWH achieves its mission and vision by developing innovative programs, educating health professionals, and motivating behavior change in consumers through the dissemination of health information.	Leaders and individuals, Employers and institutions	Government	Education, Guides, Data	http://womenshealth.gov/about-us/
HHS Office On Women's Health Workplace Support for Women Site	--	Employers and institutions	Guide	--	http://everymother.org/workplace/view/index.php
National Restaurant Association's Kids LiveWell program	The Kids LiveWell Program asks restaurants to meet a number of nutrition criteria included in the 2010 US Dietary Guidelines. As of July 2011, 15,000 restaurants had adopted the guidelines.	Employers and institutions	Organization	Network	http://www.restaurant.org/foodhealthyliving/kidslivewell/index.cfm
National Committee on Quality Assurance (NCQA)	NCQA accredits, certifies, and recognizes best practices in employer-provided healthcare.	Employers and institutions, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Network	http://www.ncqa.org/tabid/449/Default.aspx
North Carolina Prevention Partners (NCP)	NCP is a statewide nonprofit and leader in reducing preventable illness and early death caused by tobacco use, poor nutrition and physical inactivity. NCP's first accomplishment was creating the Preventive Benefits Profile, a voluntary insurance reform campaign to have health insurance plans cover preventive health services. Having worked extensively with hospitals on worksite wellness issues, NCP has developed a list of six key practices for successful engagement, and these practices as well as other resources are available on the organization's website.	Employers and institutions, leaders and individuals	Organization	Network, Guides	http://www.ncpreventionpartners.org/dnn/AboutUs/HistoryMission/tabid/99/Default.aspx



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Partnership for a Healthier America	PHA is devoted to working with the private sector to ensure the health of our nation's youth by solving the childhood obesity crisis. PHA brings together public, private and nonprofit leaders to broker meaningful commitments and develop strategies to end childhood obesity. Most importantly, PHA ensures that commitments made are commitments kept by working with unbiased, third parties to monitor and publicly report on the progress our partners are making to show everyone what can be achieved when we all work together.	Employers and institutions, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Network	http://www.ahealthieramerica.org/#!/about-the-partnership
Strategies to Overcome and Prevent (STOP) Obesity Alliance	The STOP Obesity Alliance is a collaboration of consumer, provider, government, labor, business, health insurers and quality-of-care organizations united to drive innovative and practical strategies that combat obesity. The organization identifies and breaks down biases around obesity, highlights research-based initiatives and technologies to improve prevention and care, and identifies and promotes innovations in the community, employer, and healthcare delivery and financing systems.	Employers and institutions, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Network, Guides	http://www.stopobesityalliance.org/about/
Utilization Review Accreditation Committee (URAC)	URAC, a nonprofit organization, is well-known as a leader in promoting health care quality through its accreditation, education and measurement programs. URAC offers a range of quality benchmarking programs and services that keep pace with the rapid changes in the health care system, and provide a symbol of excellence for organizations to validate their commitment to quality and accountability.	Employers and institutions	Organization	Network	https://www.urac.org/about/



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Alliance for a Healthier Generation	The goal of the Alliance is to reduce the prevalence of childhood obesity by 2015, and to empower kids nationwide to make healthy lifestyle choices. The organization provides leadership through programs and tools targeting healthcare, schools, industry, and youth.	Schools and early childhood, Employers and institutions, Healthcare professionals	Organization	Consulting, Guides	http://www.healthiergeneration.org/default.aspx
Alliance for a Healthier Generation's Healthier Generation Benefit	The Healthier Generation Benefit seeks to inspire "lifelong habits through provider visits." It brings together insurers, employers, and national medical associations to offer comprehensive health benefits aimed at combating the childhood obesity epidemic. Providers receive additional training and materials; insurers reduce their costs; and consumers receive targeted care to prevent, assess, and treat obesity.	Healthcare professionals, Community leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://www.healthiergeneration.org/healthcareprofessionals.aspx?id=3290
American Board of Physician Nutrition Specialists (ABPNS)	ABPNS has a principal goal of increasing the number of Physician Nutrition Specialists (PNSs) on medical school faculties who can effectively advocate for change in medical school and residency curricula and who can serve as role models for incorporating nutrition into patient care. The organization works to: establish a paradigm for PNS that may attract more physicians into the field, establish educational standards for fellowship training of PNSs, establish a unified mechanism for certifying PNSs, and develop a long-term plan to increase the pool of PNSs and surmount obstacles that currently impede the incorporation of nutrition education into the curricula of medical schools and primary-care residency programs.	Healthcare professionals	Organization	Guides	http://www.nutritioncare.org/ABPNS/About_ABPNS/About_ABPNS/
American Medical Association's (AMA) Weigh What Matters App	The AMA Weigh What Matters app makes it easy to work with your physician to establish weight, healthy eating, and physical activity goals, and track your progress toward achieving them. It also calculates your BMI score, and provides a mechanism to view progress reports and email them to your physician. The app is part of Weigh What Matters, a family obesity prevention program developed by the AMA, which encourages patients to work with their physicians to maintain a healthy weight, eat better, and increase physical activity.	Healthcare Professionals, Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/about-ama/apps/weigh-what-matters-app.page



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CDC's Nutrition Resources for Health Professionals	Health professionals recognize the benefits associated with a healthful eating plan based on the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. The challenge is translating this nutrition knowledge into strategies, programs, and policies that can help Americans make healthier food choices. CDC has compiled professional resources including: the latest nutrition surveillance data and trends, key nutritional guidelines, and CDC-supported programs and resources.	Healthcare professionals	Government	Guides, Data	http://www.cdc.gov/nutrition/professionals/index.html
National Diabetes Information Clearinghouse (NDIC)	NDIC is an information dissemination service of the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK). The NIDDK is part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), which is part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. NDIC works to increase knowledge and understanding about diabetes among patients, health care professionals, and the general public.	Healthcare professionals, Community leaders and individuals	Organization	Guides	http://diabetes.niddk.nih.gov/about/mission.aspx
Nutrition in Medicine: A comprehensive online medical nutrition curriculum for training current and future healthcare professionals	--	Healthcare professionals	Guide	--	http://www.nutritioninmedicine.net/portal/
National Heart and Blood Institute's (NHLBI) We Can!	We Can! recognizes the important relationship that health professionals have with parents and families. Parents often turn to health professionals for accurate information and guidance regarding their child's health. The organization provides materials, resources, and community-based opportunities that empower health professionals to help their patients' families.	Healthcare professionals, Leaders and individuals	Government	Guides	http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/heart/obesity/wecan/health-professionals/index.htm



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National Heart and Blood Institute's (NHLBI) Working Group on Competencies for Overweight and Obesity Identification, Prevention, and Treatment	This working Group concluded that an Obesity Academic Award program is needed and would make an important contribution, in tandem with ongoing research, to improving clinical care and addressing the national obesity epidemic. The Working Group recommended objectives for an Obesity Academic Award.	Healthcare professionals	Guide	--	http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/meetings/workshops/overweight/
Nutrition Academic Award Program (NAA)	NAA is a 5-year grant awarded to successful applicant schools of medicine and osteopathy throughout the U.S. The award was developed to encourage development or enhancement of medical school curricula to increase opportunities for students, house staff, faculty, and practicing physicians to learn nutrition principles and clinical practice skills with an emphasis on preventing cardiovascular diseases, obesity, diabetes, and other chronic diseases. A second objective was to provide a curricular guide, training modules, and other teaching and assessment tools for dissemination to other medical schools as well as other health care professional schools.	Healthcare professionals	Guide	--	http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/funding/training/naa/about.htm



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Resources for Farms and Buyers					
Fair Food Network	Fair Food Network is a national nonprofit dedicated to building a more just and sustainable food system. They implement model programs and bring people together to generate ideas, share resources, and promote policy changes to repair our food system, focusing on sustainability and food access in underserved communities.	Farms and buyers, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Network, Consulting, Guides	http://www.fairfoodnetwork.org/our-story
FarmersWeb	FarmersWeb connects local farmers and producers with wholesale buyers. The online platform enables greater and more efficient access to local farm fresh products for chefs, restaurants, schools, country clubs, institutional kitchens, and retail stores.	Farms and buyers	Organization	Network	https://www.farmersweb.com/about
National Good Food Network (NGFN)	NGFN brings together people from all parts of the food system -- producers, buyers, distributors, advocates, investors and funders -- to create a community dedicated to scaling up good food sourcing and access.	Farms and buyers, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Network	http://ngfn.org/
USDA Food Hub Resource Guide	The target audiences for this guide are food entrepreneurs and their supporters who are interested in starting food hubs and operators of food hubs who are interested in expanding. This guide will also help philanthropic foundations, public agencies, lending institutions, and economic development organizations understand the nature, function, and operating models of food hubs, helping them to engage hubs in their areas.	Farms and Buyers	Guide	--	http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/getfile?dDocName=STELPRDC5097957
USDA Know Your Farmer Know Your Food Compass	USDA launched the Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food initiative in 2009. The initiative brings together staff from across USDA to coordinate, share resources, and publicize USDA efforts related to local and regional food systems.	Farms and Buyers	Guide	--	http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=KYF_COMPASS



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Resources for Researchers					
Bridging the Gap: Research Informing Policies and Practices for Healthy Youth	Bridging the Gap is a national research program with a goal of improving understanding of how policies and environmental factors affect diet, physical activity, and obesity among youth, among other goals.	Researchers, Schools and early childhood, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Guides	http://www.bridgingthega.org/presearch.org/
HHS Health Data Initiative	HHS and the Institute of Medicine have launched a national initiative to help consumers and communities get more value out of the Nation's wealth of health data. With improved data and creative new applications, communities and consumers initiate effective new efforts in disease prevention, health promotion, and measurement of health care quality and performance.	Researchers, Leaders and individuals	Government	Data	http://www.hhs.gov/open/initiatives/hdi/index.html
HHS Healthy People 2020	Healthy People provides science-based, 10-year national objectives for improving the health of all Americans. Healthy People has established benchmarks and monitored progress over time in order to: encourage collaborations across communities and sectors, empower individuals toward making informed health decisions, and measure the impact of prevention activities.	Researchers, Leaders and individuals	Government	Data	http://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/about/default.aspx
Institute of Medicine's (IOM) Evaluating Progress of Obesity Prevention Efforts	In this new study, the IOM will develop an actionable national-level plan for measuring progress in implementing obesity prevention efforts. Specifically, the study will draw on the recommendations of the IOM Report Accelerating Progress in Obesity Prevention and consider new metrics to measure progress in developing this plan. The committee will also develop a community-level measurement plan to add support to the national-level plan.	Researchers, Leaders and individuals	Guide	--	http://iom.edu/Activities/Nutrition/EvaluatingProgressObesityPrevention.aspx
National Collaborative on Childhood Obesity Research (NCCOR) (Associated with the Johns Hopkins Center on Childhood Obesity)	NCCOR's mission is to improve the efficiency, effectiveness, and application of childhood obesity research and to halt childhood obesity through enhanced coordination and collaboration. The organization's website provides a catalog of existing surveillance systems -- at the local, state and national levels -- that contain data relevant to childhood obesity research. These data can be an important resource for initiatives across the country.	Researchers	Organization	Data	http://nccor.org/index.php
The John's Hopkins Center on Childhood Obesity (Associated with NCCOR)	The Center is an important part of the National Collaborative on Childhood Obesity Research (NCCOR), but the Center has an additional international focus.	Researchers	Organization	Data	http://www.jhgcco.org/aboutUs.html



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Resources for Researchers					
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)	RWJF is the nation's largest philanthropy devoted solely to health and health care. It has invested heavily in this field and is responsible for supporting and generating important, well-respected, and publicly accessible obesity-related research.	Researchers, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Funding, Guides	http://www.rwjf.org/
RWJF's Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity	The program supports research on environmental and policy strategies with strong potential to promote healthy eating among children to prevent childhood obesity, especially among lower-income and racial and ethnic populations at highest risk for obesity. Findings are expected to advance RWJF's efforts to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic by 2015.	Researchers	Grants	Funding	http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=21393&cid=XEM_A5779
Yale Rudd Center for Food Policy and Obesity	The Rudd Center for Food Policy & Obesity is a non-profit research and public policy organization devoted to improving the world's diet, preventing obesity, and reducing weight stigma. The organization serves as a research institution and clearinghouse for resources that add to understanding of the shaping American diets, weight stigma, and change.	Researchers, Leaders and individuals	Organization	Guides, Network	http://www.yaleruddcenter.org/