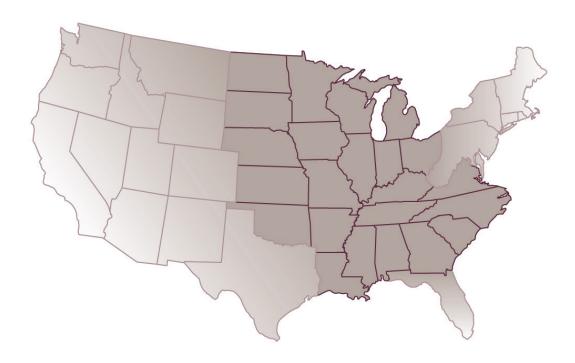


## LATINOS IN THE HEARTLAND: POSITIVE STEPS TOWARD A PLURALIST SOCIETY www.cambiodecolores.org

WHEN: June 12-14, 2013
WHERE: University of Missouri - St. Louis / Millennium Center
WHAT: A three day conference about Latinos and immigrant
integration in new destination areas
FOR: Service Providers, Staff, and Community Members



The successful integration of diverse immigrant groups into new settlement communities is being pursued and studied as the newcomers seek to become part of the social, economic, and cultural fabric of the nation.

With the current discussions about comprehensive immigration reform, it is urgent that communities, service providers and all stakeholders learn about more efficient and sustainable ways to incorporate immigrants. Cambio de Colores (Change of Colors) is the best established meeting on this topic, and provides a unique blend of expertise and research, since 2002.

Cambio de Colores is an annual conference that brings researchers, practitioners, and community members together to disseminate and exchange research and best practices leading to the integration of immigrants in rural and urban areas of the Heartland, and other new destination regions.

Conference Themes Include: "Change and Integration," "Education," and "Health"

Participants will be exposed to innovative best practices and rigorous research that will help attendees better understand immigrant integration, and how to serve newcomers effectively.

Some Education-related presentations include:

- Meanings and Strategies for Good Health: The Perspectives of Latina Immigrant Mothers in Rural Iowa
- Bullying Prevention: Creating a Safe and Inclusive Environment
- The Academic Adaptation of Children of Immigrants in New and Traditional Settlement States: The Role of Family, Schools, and Neighborhoods
- Examining the Health Literacy of Rural Latina Immigrant Mothers and Their Use of the Internet to Seek Health Information
- Cultural Competency for Working in Agricultural and Extension Education
- Health, Well-Being and Social Connectedness of Rural Hispanic/Latino Populations
- Caring for Newcomer Patients: Provider Perspectives
- Improving the Lives of Children Through Healthy Relationship Education
- Empowering Hispanic/Latino Families: Meeting Their Needs with a Holistic Approach from Nutrition to Higher Education and Community Leadership
- Challenges in Accessing Healthcare Services: Perspectives from Refugee and Immigrant Patients

The conference gives a unique platform to present, discuss, share, learn, and identify critical areas where the development of information will facilitate the successful transition of all newcomers, while providing the tools necessary to address these changes in sustainable and beneficial ways to all.

The University of Missouri is offering 1.2 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) in "Building Cultural Competencies" to participants that attend the conference, with no additional fee.

Discounted Early Bird registration fee available through May 13