

MA Association of

Community Health Workers





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CHWs Reduce Health Disparities

- ✓ Improved access to health care services
- ✓ Increased health screenings
- ✓ Better understanding of health and social service systems
- ✓ Enhanced communication with health providers
- ✓ Improved adherence to health recommendations
- Reduced need for emergency and specialty services

CHWs in Massachusetts

Dept. of Public Health Estimate

- 3,000 CHWs
- MassHealth Estimate 2,000 Hired by ACOs
- The Majority of CHWs are Women of Color*
- Most CHWs are less than 45 years of age**
- Median Annual Salary \$34,220*

Emerging Opportunities for CHWs in MA

- CHW Certification
- Increase in of Availability Core Competency Trainings
- Guidance on CHW Salary Ranges
- Sustainable Employment
- Enhanced Supervisor Training
- Regional MACHW Chapters

Mission Statement

Strengthen the professional identity of community health workers, foster community health worker leadership at policy tables and integrate community health workers in all aspects of health care, public health, behavioral health and human service work. MACHW achieves its mission through education, research, policy development and advocacy.



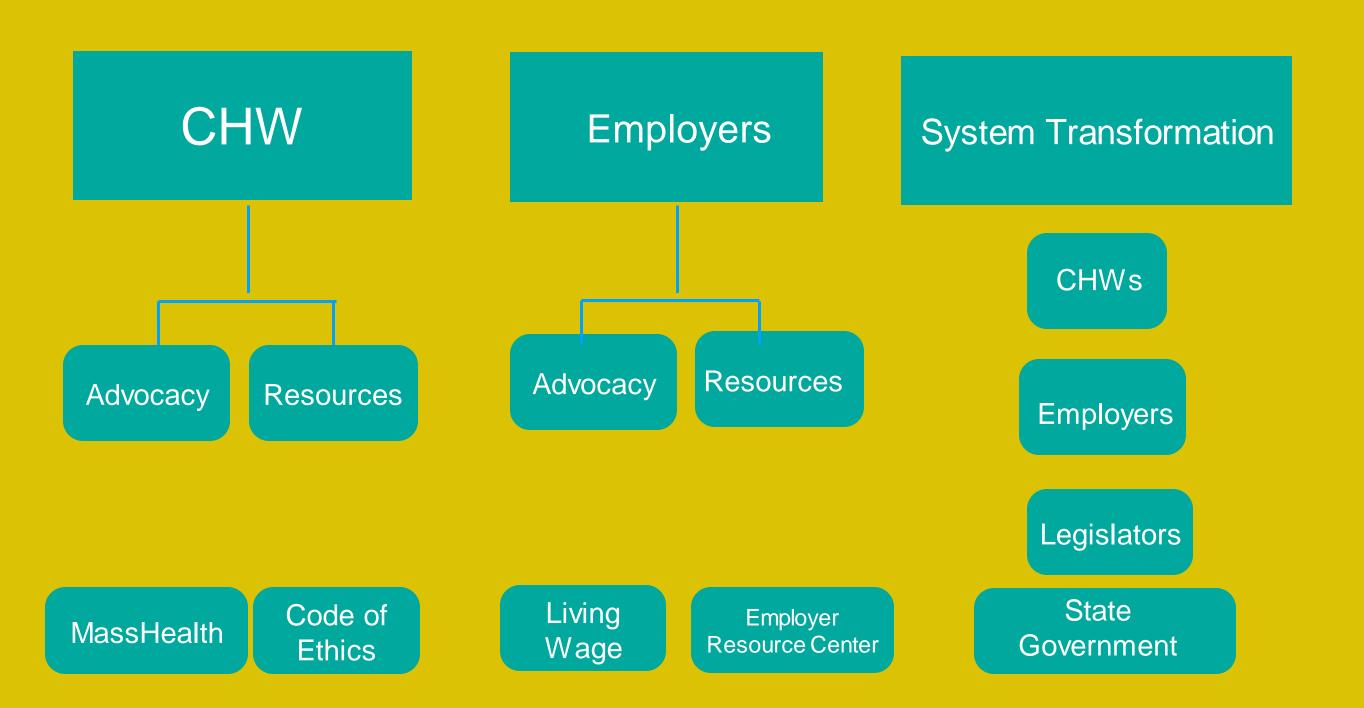


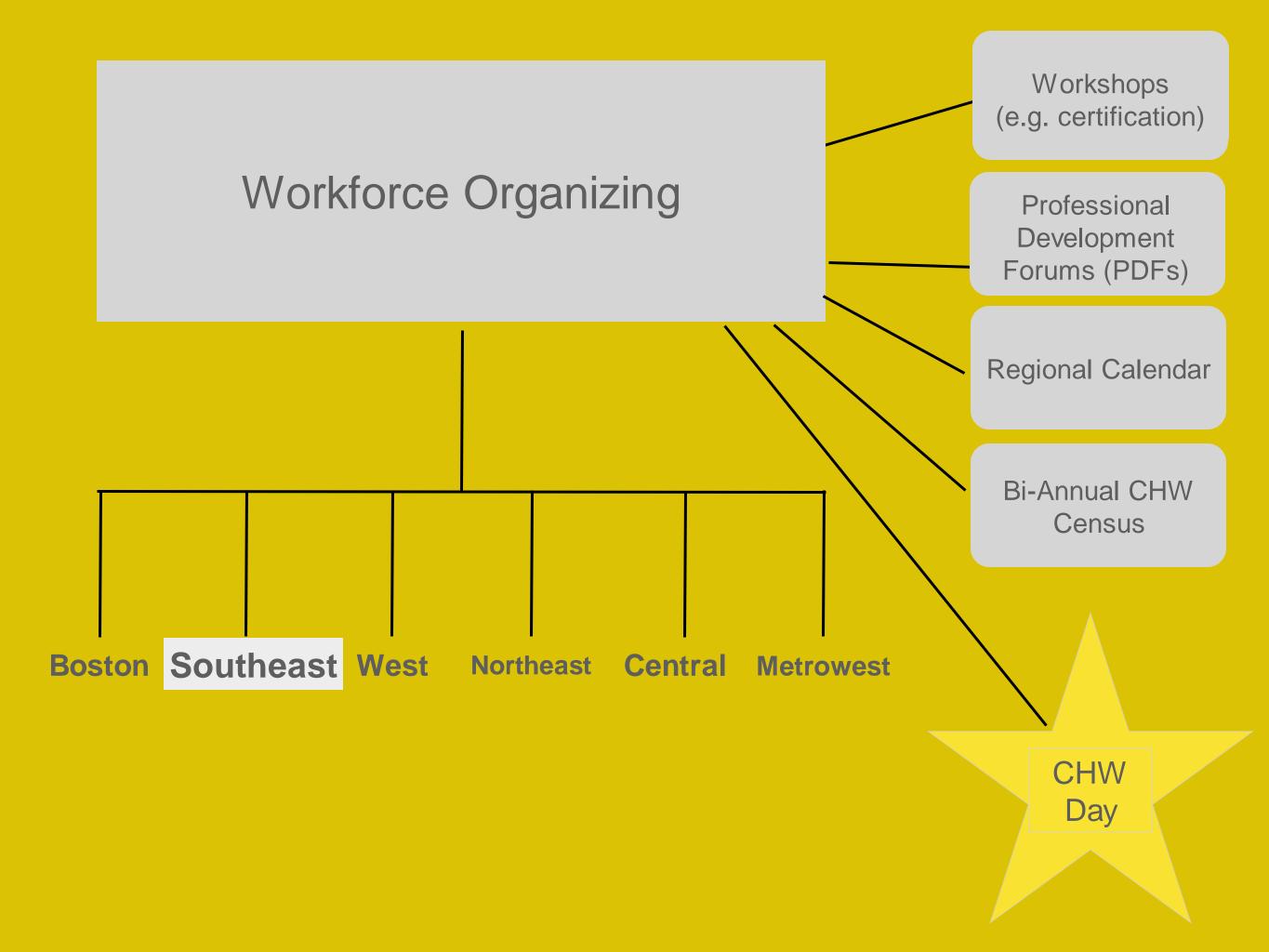
Background

- Created in 2000 by CHWs and Allies
- First CHW Professional Association in the country
- Created the legislation that led to the Board of Certification (2010)
- Seat in the MA Public Health Council
- 4 Seats in the Board of Certification
- Member of MassHealth's Social Service Integration Workgroup



Our Work





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9th Annual Massachusetts CHW Conference Uniting for Action

May 3rd, 2018 | Four Points Sheraton, Norwood

Join us on May 3rd!