IHPR Researchers Conduct Training in Cancer Prevention

SAN ANTONIO (March 8, 2012) – Researchers from the Institute for Health Promotion Research (IHPR) at The UT Health Science Center at San Antonio taught a crowd of more than 30 health professionals and social workers the importance of providing bilingual and culturally sensitive health care at a unique training event March 8, 2012, in San Antonio.

The event, “Cancer Prevention & Women: A Look at Programs that Address Health Disparities Among Medically Underserved Populations,” stemmed from a partnership between the IHPR and the San Antonio College (SAC) Empowerment Center.

IHPR researchers Dr. Daisy Morales-Campos, Christina M. Carmona, Rose A. Treviño, Guadalupe Cornejo and Erika G. Casasola discussed Latino breast, cervical and colorectal cancer rates and cultural factors that impede individuals from preventative care.

They also discussed several of the IHPR’s community-based programs: Entre Madres e Hijas, a cervical cancer peer-education program for Latina mothers and daughters; Salud San Antonio!, a program providing free educational presentations on prevention and early detection of breast, cervical, and colorectal cancer; and Muévete Más, a community initiative that offers exercise programs for Latina cancer survivors.

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