



HCP Goes to Long Beach

In June 2013, Director Rhonda Meade, Program Coordinator Jon Day, Health and Nutrition Coordinator Chrissy Ash, and IU Evaluators Mindy Hightower-King and Danielle Sovinski represented the HEROES initiative at the 7th biennial National Obesity Conference in Long Beach, California. This conference is the nation's largest and most influential collaboration of professionals dedicated to combating pediatric obesity, with nearly 2,000 attendees this year.

The HEROES team was honored to attend and display a poster showcasing aspects of the HEROES initiative and evaluation results. The conference exhibited the latest research, evidence-based best practices, and policy/environmental change strategies that are being implemented in the fight against childhood obesity.

It was overwhelming to see the number of initiatives and the passion being used to combat the obesity epidemic. Many programs showed great results which inspired us to continue developing stronger Coordinated School Health programs at the schools in our seven CTG counties.

We are proud of the accomplishments of our HEROES schools and look forward to continued success with our CTG schools!