

Notes ECHO Learning Community: September 21, 2021

9:00-9:15 Welcome, Introductions, and Reminders

20 participants – everyone introduced themselves, their organizations, and what they are most looking forward to in Fall.

9:15-9:30 NM Appleseed shared updates from their organization

Meghan Mead and Rose Nava presented about their new project, an extension of their previous pilot work on guaranteed income programs. They shared their logic model and theory of change, their funding through Kellogg, and their idea to offer this program without conditions (their previous programs were all conditional cash transfer programs).

The community shared ideas about getting a voice from those who are either currently part of CARA or who have been in the past. One participant requested a copy of the Theory of Change and Logic Model.

9:30-10:15 Didactic: Accessing Community Data Through Census and IBIS

Presenter: Dr. Claudia Diaz Fuentes

Claudia reviewed how to access and work with data in the US Census here:

<https://data.census.gov/cedsci/>. She walked through various tables, filters, and maps. She also shared how to customize the data to create a table or map for your needs.

Claudia explained the distinction between the ASC 1 year estimates and the ASC 5 year estimates:

- The ASC 1-year Estimate is based on the American Community Survey, which is conducted annually using a sample representative of the community at large
 - o This is best for noting variations, studying differences over time, etc.
- The ASC 5-year Estimate is based on the American Community Survey data, summarized over a 5 year period.
 - o The margin of errors in the 5-year estimates are much smaller
 - o The sample sizes (n) are much larger
 - o The data are therefore more precise in the 5-year estimate BUT
 - o You may miss out on some of the nuances of the data (small n's are left out, variation tends to be small, etc.)
 - o Best for use when you care about data right now (not over time)

Claudia also briefly introduced the NM IBIS here: <https://ibis.health.state.nm.us/> and talked about the QuickFacts reports that are available for every county in NM here:

<https://ibis.health.state.nm.us/community/highlight/introduction/GeoCnty/1.html>

10:15-10:30 Questions, reflections, and announcements

To close, Charla posted a poll to determine the session topics for October and November. The winners were **Data Analysis in Excel** and **Report Writing from Evaluation Findings**. The October session (to be held 10/19) will be on **Data Analysis in Excel** and the November session (to be held on 11/16) will be on **Report Writing from Evaluation Findings**.