Caribbean Climate and Health Responder Course Session 2 Assignment

Communicating about Climate Change and Health

Communicating to patients, colleagues, policy makers, and the community is an important function of health professionals. In this session, you learned barriers to communication about climate and health and potential strategies to overcome them. Now, your task is to apply different communication strategies to various groups of stakeholders to relay the health impacts of climate change and how patients, individuals and communities can protect themselves and take positive action.

Your assignment is to practice **one** of several tasks:

- 1) Plan and record a 5-min presentation to patients, colleagues, or the community on any aspect of climate change and health that is relevant to the group
- 2) Write a letter or Op-ed for the newspaper, or a short policy brief on any aspect of climate change and health.
- 3) Design an educational poster for patients/community on climate change.
- 4) Compose a poem/song to communicate about climate change and health in a culturally appropriate way
- 5) Create a patient information brochure/pamphlet to explain how climate change may be affecting their health and what they can do to protect/improve their health

You can do any **one** of the above on your own, or team-up with others from your country or professional group; if you choose to do the latter, please indicate the names of collaborators when submitting.

Please submit your assignment to Haley Campbell, <u>HEC2141@cumc.columbia.edu</u> by May 26. Submissions will be displayed on the EarthMedic/EarthNurse website, with your permission.