# Health Fluency Project

Supporting the health of non-native English speakers in Boston and Beyond

### Welcome!

The Health Fluency Project is a student-led initiative that aims to improve health literacy and communication in non-native English speaking communities in Boston and beyond. This newsletter is to keep you up to date with our mission!



### Big Updates!

In light of incredible interest in workshops for this year, the Health Fluency Project team has expanded!

- This month, we have reached 13 total partner sites across the country, from San Jose, CA to Cleveland, OH, to Boston, MA, with many more partner sites and initiatives coming soon.
- The HFP team has welcomed 14 new Project Leads, each dedicated to a partner site, as well as 10 new volunteers.
- HFP has been accepted into the Harvard Institute of Politics GovLabs, an incubator for early-stage, high social impact startups!
- HFP has been invited to present at the **National Research Conference at UPenn** in early October regarding our novel youth-driven, technology-enforced approach to promoting health literacy.
- HFP has been invited to present at the Health Literacy Annual Research Conference (HARC) hosted by Boston Medical Center in late October.

#### Workshops

- First Workshops of the Semester!
  - BPL Chinatown
  - BPL Grove Hall
- Topics ranged from communicating symptoms, emergency/911, and pain



#### Recent Advancements

- To date, we have reached over 3,700 people across more than 50 countries!
- Working closely with multiple communities throughout the country for new initiatives and projects
  - Onboarding initiatives underway for more project leads, youth leaders throughout the country dedicated to making a difference in their own communities.
- Collaboration with The Northside Refugee and Asylum-Seeker Coalition based in Chicago, IL.

### **Upcoming Projects**

- Finalizing recruitment and partner sites/chapters
  - More project lead applications being reviewed and proposals being made
- More Infographics/Handouts underway!
- Development of individual health literacy workshop assessment tools.
- Establishing 501(c)(3) status—paperwork filed

## thank you for tuning in!

we'll catch you next time.

— the health fluency project

