

**Name of Nominee:**

Jennifer Villalobos

**Nominee's Employer/Agency:**

University of Colorado Denver

**Nominee's County of Residence:**

Denver

**Nominee's Self-Identified Area of Public Health Expertise:**

Health Services Research

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**For which position would you like to submit a nomination?:**

Emerging Leaders - Associate Director (2-year Term Commitment)

**Describe your background, education, and experience relevant to the CPHA Board. (200 words maximum):**

I am a first generation Latina student pursuing a doctorate in public health in community and behavioral health at the Colorado School of Public Health. I am the first person in my family to obtain a bachelors, the first person in my family to obtain a masters, and the first person in my family to pursue a doctorate degree. In 2015, I was part of the CPHA board as a Student Director and Student Co-Director for 2 years. I am very familiar with the process of joining the board and strengthening its mission to educate, develop, and galvanize the Colorado public health community.

**What are your goals in serving on the CPHA Board? (150 words maximum):**

My goals in serving on the CPHA Board, specifically with the Emerging Leaders, is to promote and advance minority representation in leadership positions in addition to further expand and strengthen the public health community in Colorado. As a public health professional I truly believe in the power of a strong public health force to combat health inequities, health disparities, social injustice, among other core issues and challenges.

**What specific contributions do you expect to make to CPHA? (150 words maximum):**

My specific contributions that I will make to CPHA is increasing engagement and awareness of the Emerging Leaders sector within CPHA. In 2015, I increased student membership, resources (ex: workshops and trainings), and increased board membership by advocating for a second Student Director.

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**Please use the scale below to indicate your level of experience with the following:**

- 0 No knowledge or experience
- 1 Some knowledge around this skillset but no experience putting it into action
- 2 Moderate knowledge and experience applying the skillset

- 3 Extensive knowledge and experience applying the skillset

**Accounting:**

1

**Community Organizing:**

3

**Event Planning:**

3

**Financial Literacy:**

2

**Grant Writing:**

2

**Legal:**

2

**Marketing/PR:**

3

**Organizational Management:**

3

**Public Policy:**

3

**Risk Management:**

2

**Strategic Planning:**

3

**In which areas of CPHA do you think you could make the most contributions?:**

The areas of CPHA that I know I can make the most contributions are: community organizing, event planning, organizational management, and strategic planning. I have over 5 years in community organizing, 5 years with event planning, 2 years with organizational management, and 3 years with strategic planning. I am very comfortable with these 4 core areas of expertise and know that I can and will be able to apply and practice these areas with CPHA.

**Which areas of CPHA's work would be more difficult for you to make contribution?:**

The areas of CPHA's work that would be more difficult for me to make a contribution include the aspects of legal and accounting work. Although I have experience with public and health policy, including experience on budgets for clinical research studies, I do not think the extent of my work will transition well into the work for CPHA.