



## **2015 PCN Delegation at PolicyLink's Equity Summit Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

### **1. What is PCN?**

EPIP's People of Color Network (PCN) was established to widen the leadership pipeline and create opportunities for skills development and personal growth of young people of color in foundations and other philanthropic institutions.

PCN is specifically intended to support and convene emerging professionals of color in the field. This reflects EPIP's emphasis on ensuring racial diversity within our next-generation work.

### **2. What is the PCN gathering?**

EPIP convenes the PCN for an annual gathering. Traditionally, this gathering has included small cohorts of young people of color for professional development training to explore how our identities inform our work in philanthropy. More recently, the PCN gatherings have been held in conjunction with other racial equity conferences, such as in 2014 when we convened at Race Forward's *Facing Race* conference.

### **3. What are EPIP's plans for the 2015 PCN Gathering?**

EPIP is bringing a "PCN Delegation" to PolicyLink's 2015 Equity Summit from October 27-29, 2015 in Los Angeles. This delegation will be a selected cohort of 30 EPIP members, chosen to participate as a learning community. Participation in the delegation is open to all: people of color and their white allies.

### **4. What is PolicyLink's Equity Summit?**

[PolicyLink's Equity Summit](#) (the Summit) is one of the largest national conferences on racial and economic equity with expected attendance of over 3,000 advocates, activists, policymakers, funders, and private sector partners. Attendees can participate in plenary sessions, workshops, site visits in Los Angeles, and discussion about building an equitable economy, advancing a policy agenda for more inclusive cities, and growing a multiracial, multigenerational equity movement.

### **5. Why have a PCN Delegation at the Equity Summit?**

The PCN Delegation will have full access to the entire Summit with opportunities to develop a rich network of practitioners and share experiences, build relationships, and identify partnership opportunities. EPIP group leaders will facilitate short discussions and check-ins for the PCN Delegation throughout the Summit.

It will be an opportunity to strengthen bonds around issues affecting emerging professionals of color in the philanthropic field, within the backdrop of one of the largest conferences on racial and economic equity, attended by a vast network of regional equity advocates, policymakers, private sector leaders, foundation, and government officials.

#### **6. Who can apply to the PCN Delegation?**

Participation in the PCN Delegation is for current dues-paying EPIP members only, with a focus on emerging professionals of color and their white allies who work in foundations and other philanthropic institutions and who are interested in ensuring racial diversity.

If you are unsure of your EPIP membership status, please contact [marie@epip.org](mailto:marie@epip.org).

EPIP members can apply here <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VP7SST9> to the PCN Delegation beginning Wed, July 29<sup>th</sup>. Accepted applicants will be selected on a rolling basis and provided with a code for free registration on PolicyLink's website.

#### **7. Where is the Summit being held?**

Westin Bonaventure Hotel  
404 S. Figueroa Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90071  
(213) 624-1000

#### **8. How much does it cost to attend the Summit as a member of the PCN Delegation?**

EPIP will underwrite the entire cost of registration for each participant in the PCN Delegation at the Equity Summit (value of up to \$450). Each member will have complete access to the entire Summit's activities.

Meals are provided throughout the Summit. A welcome dinner specifically for the PCN Delegation is planned for the evening of Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>.

Delegates will be responsible for their hotel and travel to Los Angeles. The discounted Summit rate at the Westin Bonaventure is \$199 per night, plus taxes.

#### **9. Are travel scholarships available?**

Limited scholarships may be available. Email [info@epip.org](mailto:info@epip.org) for more information.

#### **9. Where can I register?**

PCN Delegates will receive a code for free registration upon selection. Registration for the Summit is on PolicyLink's website.