



## Impact Analysis for Non-economists Conducting Economic & Fiscal Impact Analysis

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Kenan Center, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

March 9-10, 2005

Pittsburgh Regional Learning Alliance, Cranberry, PA

April 4-5, 2005

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### Preliminary Agenda

#### ***MODULE 1 – Economic Impact Analysis for Non-economists***

**Wednesday, March 9 (North Carolina)/ Monday, April 4 (Pennsylvania)**

Instructor/Facilitators: Kenneth E. Poole, Ph.D., ACCRA and Mark White, Ph.D., ACCRA

8:30 – 9:30 a.m.	An Overview of Impact Analysis for Non-economists
9:30-10:30 a.m.	Case Study Presentations of Exemplary Local Impact Studies
11:00 – 12:00 noon	Introduction to US Bureau of Economic Analysis Regional Input-Output Modeling System (RIMS II) (representative US BEA)
	Lunch Break
1:00 –2:00 p.m.	IMPLAN® Demonstration and Discussion (representative Minnesota IMPLAN Group)
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.	REMI Policy Insights® Demonstration and Discussion (representative Regional Economic Models, Inc)
3:30 -- 4:30 p.m.	Other Models
4:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Wrap-Up Discussion and Questions

#### ***MODULE 2 – Fiscal Impact Analysis: The Basics of Conducting Cost-Benefit Studies***

**Thursday, March 10 (NC)/Tuesday, April 5, (PA)**

*Instructors: George Erickcek, W.E. Upjohn Institute and Tom Tanner, Carl Vinson Institute, University of Georgia*

8:30 – 9:30 a.m.	Overview of Fiscal Impact Studies
9:30 - 11:00 a.m.	Estimating Costs
11:00 – 12:30 p.m.	Estimating Benefits from Taxes and Fees
	Lunch Break
1:30 – 2:00	Case Study Discussion
2:30 – 3:30	Common Pitfalls and Tips for Presenting a Fiscal Impact Study
3:30 – 4:30	Fiscal Impact Model Demonstrations and Discussion
4:30 – 5:00	Wrap Up Discussion and Questions