## **The Art of Workshop Design** Workshop Planning Worksheet

STEP 1: Identify the content area	
<ul> <li>What are you interested in creating a workshop</li> </ul>	
about?	
<ul><li>What is the educational need?</li></ul>	
<ul><li>Will you conduct a needs assessment?</li></ul>	
<ul><li>Why is this topic important?</li></ul>	
<ul> <li>What expertise is available for collaboration in</li> </ul>	
preparation (content experts) and delivery	
(facilitation experts)?	
STEP 2: Identify the target audience	
<ul><li>Who are the learners?</li></ul>	
<ul><li>What background will they have?</li></ul>	
<ul> <li>Will there be variability in their knowledge and</li> </ul>	
experience?	
<ul><li>What will their expectations be?</li></ul>	
STEP 3: Define the goals and objectives	
<ul> <li>Goal – broad statement of intent</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Objective – learner-based statement of what is to be</li> </ul>	
accomplished (SMARTER)	
By the end of this workshop, participants	
will be able to	
STEP 4: Determine the educational strategies	
Choose a variety of teaching and learning methods	
Promote experiential learning, feedback, reflection,	
and application	
Match teaching methods to content and objectives	
Consider teaching aids (e.g. handouts, worksheets,	
cases, AV materials)	
STEP 5: When, Where and How: Logistics	
Order of each activity	
How much time for each activity?	
Will there be breaks?	
Include time for participant movement (into/out of	
small groups, to other rooms, etc.)	
Include welcome, introductions, summary, and closing	
How many facilitators? What are their roles in each	
activity?	
Room reservations	
• Food (lots!)	
AV and computer equipment	
Materials (handouts, flipcharts, worksheets,	
pens/pencils, other supplies, etc.)	
<ul> <li>Finances (costs, budget, financial support)</li> </ul>	

STEP 5 (cont)	
<ul> <li>Publicity (announcement, flier, etc.)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Registration, participant contact info, confirmation</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Administrative support</li> </ul>	
STEP 6: Evaluation and Feedback	
<ul><li>How will you know you've met your goals?</li></ul>	
<ul> <li>Evaluation of content, relevance, teaching methods,</li> </ul>	
knowledge/skill acquisition, intent to change behavior	
<ul> <li>Solicit feedback</li> </ul>	