

2022 Policy Statement Development and Review Calendar

December 2021	APHA staff will develop a list of current policy statement gaps. These gaps generally reflect current or emergent public health issues that fall under the association's overarching priorities and for which the association does not have a current, up-to-date policy statement. Policy statement gaps will be posted on APHA's website featured in Inside Public Health.
2022	
February 11	Proposed policy statements for the 2022 cycle are due in electronic form via email to policy@apha.org by 11:59 p.m. (ET).
February 25	Proposed policy statements are posted on APHA's website for APHA member review.
March 25	Member comments on proposed policy statements are due via email to policy@apha.org by 11:59 p.m. (ET).
April 27-29	APHA's Science Board and Joint Policy Committee meet to review proposed policy statements and member comments.
May 20	Deadline for JPC to send letters via email to authors of proposed policy statements with comments and assessments.
June 3	Deadline for authors who receive a "negative" assessment to notify the JPC that they are NOT withdrawing their proposal and wish to move it forward in the process. An email notification must be sent to policy@apha.org by 11:59 p.m. (ET).
August 15	Revised proposed policy statements based on JPC comments are due via email to policy@apha.org by 11:59 p.m. (ET).
September 12	APHA's Executive Board considers any appeals of the JPC's assessments of proposed policy statements.
Mid-September	JPC holds a conference call to discuss status of proposals that were revised and sent to policy@apha.org by the August 15 deadline. Authors are notified of the JPC's second assessment post-call via email.
Early October	Revised drafts of proposed policy statements as well as comments from the JPC, Science Board, and the authors' responses, if any, will be posted on APHA's website.
October 17	Late-breaking new policy statements are due via email to policy@apha.org by 11:59 p.m. (ET). No exceptions will be made.
November 1&2	Public hearings for proposed policy statements (virtual as part of 2022 Annual Meeting and Expo programming)
November 6	The JPC develops final recommendations for proposed policy statements to present to the Governing Council.
November 8	The Governing Council considers the JPC's recommendations on proposed policy statements and votes on the consent agenda.