

# APHA President's Report to the Governing Council

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## 2021-2022 Was a Wonderful Year to be APHA President

- Fifteen affiliate conferences from November 2021-2022
- Four presentations to schools of public health
- Two presentations to schools of nursing/nursing organizational meetings
- Lots of interaction with students!



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- Alliance for Disease Prevention and Response
- Bipartisan Policy Center Committee on Public Health Forward
- National Academies of Health's Forum to Address Attacks on Health Professionals
- CDC/CDC Foundation workforce and infrastructure discussions
- Various press interviews
- Monthly columns in the Nation's Health
- Executive Board and Committees



# Unfinished Business

Health and racial equity

ISC Rural Health Task Force work on rural public health

Women's reproductive health

Mental and behavioral health

Support for the public health system and its workforce

Talking "across the aisle"

## APHA President End of Year Observations

“Soul” can be defined as emotional or intellectual energy or intensity (Oxford Dictionary). As applied to public health, there is an amazing amount of energy and intensity about the future of public health.

The “soul” of public health is strong! A modernized public health system has great potential!



