Center for Public Health Policy

APHA’s Center for Public Health Policy highlights the connections between communities — where we live, work, play and learn — and our collective health. We advance evidence-based policies and practices to create health equity for all. We serve as a catalyst for positive change by influencing public policy at all levels of government and within the private sector. With an experienced staff and a vast network of diverse partners, we create innovative, original and informative resources that support APHA’s central challenge: To create the healthiest nation in one generation.
What We Do

We focus on the following core priorities:

**HEALTH EQUITY:** We advance evidence-based strategies to create conditions that give *everyone* the opportunity to attain their highest level of health.

**HEALTH IN ALL POLICIES:** We leverage and promote multi-sector partnerships and health in all policies to address the roots of poor health and health disparities.

**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH:** We promote chemical, air and water safety and work diligently to build partnerships that advance the field of environmental health.

**ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE:** We lead efforts to create environmental justice across places and provide a voice for environmental health practitioners.

**HEALTHY COMMUNITY DESIGN:** We promote healthy communities through safe and equitable transportation and land-use planning and affordable, and healthy housing.

**CLIMATE CHANGE:** We are a leading voice on the public health impacts of climate change and spearheaded the *Year of Climate Change and Health*.

**HEALTH SYSTEMS TRANSFORMATION:** We promote the right to health care for all and support integration of public and health care to improve population health.

Tools for a Healthy Future

We bring together research and analytical public health expertise to infuse the public health field with expert materials and resources including:

- Webinars
- Factsheets
- Issue briefs and reports
- Guidebooks
- Partnership and coalition building
- Trainings

We draw on the latest science and best practices to develop quality products, which are regularly sent to key policymakers, thought leaders and to our public health colleagues in the field and on the front lines to promote healthy communities across the country.

APHA’S CENTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY works hard to reflect the diversity of the public health field, stay on top of the latest public health issues and create the tools you need to advocate for strong public health policies and practices in your community. To learn more about our work, contact us at phpolicycenter@apha.org.
VISION
Create the healthiest nation in one generation

MISSION
Improve the health of the public and achieve equity in health status

The American Public Health Association champions the health of all people and all communities. We strengthen the public health profession. We speak out for public health issues and policies backed by science. We are the only organization that influences federal policy, has a nearly 150-year perspective and brings together members from all fields of public health. APHA publishes the American Journal of Public Health and The Nation’s Health newspaper. At our Annual Meeting and Expo, thousands of people share the latest public health research. We lead public awareness campaigns such as Get Ready and National Public Health Week. Together, we are creating the healthiest nation in one generation.

Learn more at www.apha.org