Appendix[1] A: Terms/Abbreviations/Definitions for Named Groups[2] in the Bylaws[1]

Term	Defined In	Short hand	Definition/ Function[3]
Action Board *APHA Board*	**Art. VII, Sec. 1**		plan, organize, and mobilize others to advance APHA's advocacy priorities
Affiliates	**Art. IX, Sec. 3**		a state, territorial, or regional public health association that help champion the mission, vision, values and goals of APHA to promote, protect, and advocate for the public's health
American Public Health Association	**Art. II**	**APHA**	protect and promote the health of the public, using a public health framework and guided by the core principles and activities of public health
Boards	**Art. VII**		created by the Executive Board with approval of the Governing Council; [each board has] a specific purpose and responsibilities
Caucus	**Art. IX, Sec. 8**		has a publicly stated purpose that promotes identified public health issues; and it shares in identified benefits from its association with APHA
Caucus Collaborative	**Art. IX, Sec. 9**	**CC**	represent the interests and common concerns of the Caucuses relevant to overall Caucus administration to the Executive Board and other elements of APHA; facilitate relations among the Caucuses and other relevant bodies of APHA, including appointing a representative to the Nominations Committees for a one-year term; to assist the Caucuses in their internal management and inter-Caucus communication; to review and comment on applications to establish or discontinue Caucuses and submits these comments to the Executive Board; to report, jupon request, to the Executive Board on its activities and deliberations
Committee on Awards *Standing Committee*	**Art. VIII, Sec. 1**		provides a) direction to maintain and grow a recognition program that empowers and celebrates work of individuals and organizations, b) encouragement for award nominations, c) assurance that a historical record of award recipients is maintained and available to membership, and d) evaluation of the awards process.
Committee on Bylaws *Standing Committee*	**Art. VIII, Sec. 2**		maintain editorial review of the bylaws, receive recommendations regarding possible changes, analyze these for appropriateness, draft pertinent properly formatted language, and submit changes, if appropriate, with recommendations for action by the Governing Council; may make numerical and grammatical technical corrections and provide a table of contents and index to the bylaws

[1] This reference document provides context for the Association bylaws and for other APHA documents that cite terms used in the Bylaws.

[2] Groups refers to multi-person entities named in the bylaws; this does not include roles (e.g. officers)

[3] Language pulled directly from the bylaws unless a citation is included and refers to an external source; if bylaws list multiple functions as sub-items, only the first item is included in the definition

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Committee on Health Equity *Standing Committee*	**Art. VIII, Sec. 3**		charged with assuring APHA meets its diversity, inclusion, and social justice goals by monitoring the diversity of its Sections, Committees, Councils, and Boards; encouraging APHA to maximize inclusion in decision making at all levels; and recognizing and promoting best practices by APHA units, Affiliates, and Caucuses
Committee on Membership *Standing Committee*	**Art. VIII, Sec. 4**		advises and works with the Membership Department on efforts to recruit, engage, and retain APHA membership.
Committee on Women's Rights *Standing Committee*	**Art. VIII, Sec. 5**		identifies the concerns of the entire APHA membership and interfaces with all APHA units, Affiliates, and Caucuses relating to the problems associated with the changing roles of women in society, especially as these roles intersect with health policy, healthcare services, public health leadership, and career opportunities
Council of Affiliates	**Art. IX, Sec. 4**	**CoA**	to study, recommend, monitor, and coordinate the ways in which APHA can strengthen Affiliates and Affiliates strengthen APHA; to study, recommend, monitor, and coordinate the ways in which APHA/ Affiliated organization relationships can be strengthened; to report, upon request, to the Governing Council on its activities and deliberations
Editorial Board *APHA Board*	**Art. VII, Sec. 2**		provide broad oversight and recommendations to the Editor-in-Chief of the American Journal of Public Health, the official journal of APHA, to produce a high quality, highly respected journal that is scientifically sound
Education Board *APHA Board*	**Art. VII, Sec. 3**		stimulate and coordinate the education activities of APHA; to maintain and enhance professional knowledge, to increase technological proficiencies in facilitating the delivery of education, to enable members to promote and protect environmental and community health, and to educate the public concerning public health issues
Evidentiary Review Committee *Standing Committee*	**Art. VIII, Sec. 6**		coordinate the evaluation of APHA's policy briefs; receive, review, hold hearings on, and present its recommendations for Governing Council action; participate in the policy briefs review, updating and archiving process; make recommendations to the Governing Council for changes in the policy briefs process
Executive Board	**Art. VI, Sec. 7**		fiduciary and legal responsibilities as defined by Massachusetts (where APHA is chartered) and District of Columbia (where APHA headquarters are located) law; functions A through X as listed in Section 7
Governing Council	**Art. V, Sec. 6**		functions A through M as listed in Section 6
Forum	**Art IX, Sec. 7**		[a membership unit that works to] collaborate to produce outcomes or meet stated goals on a specific, important public health issue that crosses disciplinary and Section boundaries,

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			requires expertise that may reside in more than one place in APHA, and supports APHA's mission
Intersectional Council	**Art. IX, Sec. 2**	**ISC**	represent the interests and common concerns of the Sections in matters relating to Section administration to the Executive Board and other elements of APHA; facilitate relations among the Sections and other relevant bodies of APHA; assist the Sections in their internal management and in intersectional communication; report, upon request, to the Governing Council on its activities and deliberations**.**
Nominations Committee	**Art. V, Sec. 7**		responsible for the recruitment and selection of candidates for Association-wide office, including Executive Board, Speaker of the Governing Council, Treasurer and President-Elect, as well as Honorary Vice-Presidents for the United States, Latin American and the Caribbean, and Canada
Publications Board *APHA Board*	**Art. VII, Sec. 4**		provide APHA expertise on publishing in the field of public health; facilitate new APHA publications by identifying authors, editors, and developments in the field; and determine how public health professionals access and use information to assist APHA in designing information products to meet the current and emerging needs of public health practice and education
Sections	**Art. IX, Sec. 1**		a membership unit that represents one or more major public health disciplines or public health programs
Special Interest Groups	**Art. IX, Sec. 6**	**SPIG**	a membership unit that has the intention of becoming a Section.
Standing Committees	**Art. VIII**		[committees] necessary for the continuing effective operation of APHA and which are charged with responsibilities for internal organizational, structural, and administrative affairs of APHA
Student Assembly	**Art. IX, Sec. 5**	**SA**	represents and serves students of public health and other health-related disciplines by connecting individuals who are interested in working together on public health and student-related issues

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