

The Florida Public Health Advocate

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From the President's Desk...



Just like everyone else, with the new year comes important decisions to be made and for the FPHA Board of Directors, we had one as well. As most of you know, our long time Executive Director, Sandy Magyar, is retiring from her position. Back in August of last year we formed an Executive

Search Committee, which included the current officers and two Past Presidents, to find someone to fulfill the many important duties required to keep the FPHA in operation. We are delighted to announce that the Suwannee River Area Health Education Center (SRAHEC) has been selected and agreed to contract with us for these tasks. Please join us in welcoming and supporting them as we work together to make your FPHA the best that it can be.

We know members are always asking "How can we get involved?" and we are always looking to provide opportunities. At the beginning of the month, Lori Jordahl, our APHA Affiliate, brought to our attention the APHA 1 Billion Step Challenge. It's easy for FPHA members to join our team and be part of the fun (see below in the newsletter). Also, the Membership committee is reaching out again in Broward County to do another Meet Up and the Tampa area FPHA members will have another Brown Bag Lunch networking opportunity in February. Stay tuned for the announcement.

The Tampa area will also have a Regional Conference on March 31st at USF with the focus on collaborating in the community to achieve health equity. This is a joint effort by FPHA and the Tampa Bay Health Collaborative.

As you can see, there is a lot going on and the year has just begun.

Dr. Rick France
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Dear FPHA members,

I have recently begun my stewardship of the newsletter and in an effort to be inclusive and share more content, please feel free to reach out to me via email with event/member spotlights. I can be reached at Alyssa.Moffitt@flhealth.gov. Please address all emails as, "FPHA Newsletter."

Announcement: Tampa Regional Meeting



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When 31 Mar 2017
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Location University of South Florida, College of Public Health, Tampa, Florida

Registration

FPHA Member - \$30.00 (USD)

FPHA Non-Member - \$50.00 (USD)

Student - full time - \$15.00 (USD)

JOINING FORCES TO ACHIEVE HEALTH EQUITY - SPONSORED BY THE FLORIDA PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION AND TAMPA BAY HEALTHCARE COLLABORATIVE

Join us on March 31, 2017 to look at increased ways to collaborate in achieving health equity for members of our communities. You will hear from experts on Health Equity, hear from groups currently collaborating in offering services and what was successful and where they had weaknesses, and have the opportunity to network with other professionals.

Location: University of South Florida, College of Public Health, Tampa, Florida

Registration Information: [**CLICK HERE FOR LINK TO WEBSITE**](#)

Online Registration Deadline: March 27, 2017

Cancellations must be received by March 22, 2017 in order to get a refund.

If you register for the event and find you cannot attend, you must notify FPHA by March 22, 2017 or you will be expected to pay the registration rate.



1billion step CHALLENGE

FPHA Members and Friends: Join us for the **APHA 1 Billion Step Challenge** as we prepare for this year's National Public Health Week (April 3-9 2017)! (<http://www.nphw.org/get-involved/steps-challenge>).

Follow these 4 steps to join our team:

- 1) Register and create a free username and password at this website: <https://stridekick.com/tc/apha>.
- 2) Go back to website <https://stridekick.com/tc/apha> and scroll down to "search by team name." Join our team: "Florida Public Health Association" 
- 3) Download this free app: stridekick 
- 4) Make sure your app is sync'd with your iphone step tracker (or apple watch, fit bit etc) so that it tracks all your steps.

START WALKING!

Join our team now but note: The official "challenge" will run from Jan 9-April 9 as we prepare for this year's National Public Health Week (April 3-9 2017)!

The FPHA Membership Committee wishes everyone a Happy New Year! As we begin 2017, we are happy to participate in the APHA Billion Step Challenge and hope each of you will join the FPHA Team! What a great way to start the New Year.

To help reach our 2017 membership goal, we are reaching out to all County Health Departments and Community Partners to help us increase FPHA membership. During the past year, we conducted Brown Bag Luncheons and local meet-ups which have shown great potential to engage individuals interested in learning about FPHA. We are therefore asking "each" county to identify an individual who can be an FPHA Representative or liaison for your county. Having a designated FPHA Representative can connect with other individuals who have a shared interest in public health, develop or enhance public health activities in your community, meet new people, and hopefully increase FPHA membership.

To learn more about this great opportunity, please reach out to me at woly9848@gmail.com, I will be happy answer any and all questions you may have!

Warm Regards,

Ethel Edwards, Membership Committee Chair

Community Health

Hello FPHA members,



I am very enthusiastic about becoming the lead person for the Community Health Interest group of FPHA. My name is Robert A. Weiss, and I am so passionate about bringing good health, well-being and positive energy to all people. I am currently employed as a Certified Wellness Coach (Mayo Clinic trained) and Tobacco Treatment Specialist at Nova Southeastern University's College of Osteopathic Medicine, Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Program in Davie, Florida. I facilitate Quit Smoking groups at multiple community sites here in Broward County, including hospitals, clinics, non-profit agencies, community organizations, municipalities and employee wellness programs. I love my job and receive so much joy and satisfaction from my role as a wellness coach, helping to inspire, advocate, and support people on their journey to become tobacco-free. I am also a Registered Nurse in Florida (RN, BSN), as well as a Certified Work Site Wellness Specialist, Certified Community Health Worker, Lifestyle Coach (Diabetes Prevention Program) and Certified Personal Fitness Trainer." To me, the word "community" may mean a family, a small group of individuals, a city block, a neighborhood, a workplace....any place or setting where people interact. I look forward to recruiting new members to FPHA, and to increasing our organizations' visibility with community groups and health care organizations. I believe in partnering with like-minded persons and groups so that we can empower all people to live their best life possible! Thank you very much for the opportunity to serve.

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UF Launches New Undergraduate Program



Educational Goals

Upon completion of the degree program, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the U.S. health care system and the role of the health professional in this system.
2. Understand and comprehensively describe various disabilities and factors affecting their management.
3. Demonstrate an understanding of the impact of disease and disability on the health of populations.
4. Demonstrate basic knowledge of core bioethical and legal principles impacting contemporary health issues.
5. Develop appropriate professional behaviors and leadership skills for careers in health care.
6. Critically evaluate the empirical bases of practice in public health.
7. Acquire fundamental knowledge of common public health issues and interventions.
8. Gain appreciation of the impact of health issues across the globe.
9. Participate in community public health services.
10. Develop a commitment to lifelong learning and social responsibility.
11. Develop the foundational public health knowledge, skills, and values to be prepared to enter graduate level public health programs or other graduate and professional health care programs.



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Nominate an Outstanding Woman



The University of South Florida College of Public Health recognizes the contributions that women make to the field and honors them annually with the Florida Outstanding Woman in Public Health Award. Nominations are currently being accepted for 2017.

Award nominees should be women whose work significantly contributed to the field of public health in Florida. Candidates may represent any sector of public health, including maternal/child health; health policy, management, finance or economics; epidemiology and biostatistics; environmental and occupational health; public health nutrition; public health nursing; international health; health education; and, toxicology/parasitology.

The deadline for nomination materials is midnight on Monday, February 20.

The Florida Outstanding Woman in Public Health Award is presented annually in conjunction with [National Public Health Week](#). This year's ceremony is on Wednesday, April 5 and is open to members of the community.

Visit the [award website](#) for additional nomination information and list of honorees

Immunization Summit

The 2017 Florida Immunization Summit seeks to bring together health professionals, advocates, students and more for an in-depth, interdisciplinary conference focusing on best practices to promote adolescent vaccines and eliminate vaccine-preventable disease.

If you have questions or need more information on how to get involved, please contact Andrea Peaten at andrea.peaten@flhealth.gov or Samantha Staley at samantha.staley@flhealth.gov.



ADOLESCENT VACCINES & BEST PRACTICES

WHEN
February 2-4, 2017

WHERE
Hilton St. Petersburg Bayfront
333 1st Street South
St. Petersburg, FL 33701

WHO
Health Professionals, Students, Advocates, Administrators, Coalitions, and Community Members

TOPICS
Primary recommended adolescent vaccines: Tdap, Meningococcal, Influenza, and HPV

LEARN MORE AND REGISTER AT [HTTP://BIT.LY/FIS17](http://bit.ly/fis17)

NACCHO ANNUAL 2017

BRIDGING CLINICAL MEDICINE AND POPULATION HEALTH

The theme of this year's conference, **Public Health Revolution: Bridging Clinical Medicine and Population Health**, highlights the unique opportunity local public health has to convene discussions and efforts around population health, clinical medicine, and the management of systems that measure health and healthcare outcomes. As the Chief Health Strategists in their communities, local health officials and their health departments are well-positioned to strengthen critical local partnerships with clinical medicine and other groups to improve the health of their populations. [Learn more >](#)



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OF STATE NURSING WORKFORCE CENTERS

"The Nursing Workforce & Health Reform: Trends and Opportunities in a New Political Era"

June 7-9, 2017 — Denver, Colorado
Grand Hyatt Denver, 1750 Welton St. Denver, CO 80202

Distinguished speakers include:

- Angela Beck, PhD, MPH, Behavioral Workforce Research Center
- Erin Fraher, PhD, Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research
- Diana J. Mason, RN, PhD, FAAN, American Academy of Nursing, American Journal of Nursing
- Betty Rambur, PhD, RN, University of Vermont
- Susan C. Reinhard, RN, PhD, FAAN, AARP Public Policy Institute & Center to Champion Nursing in America
- Gail Wilenski, PhD, Project Hope



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Florida's 2nd Annual Perinatal Mental Health Conference: A Call to Action for Florida SAVE THE DATE APRIL 8, 2017

PRESENTED BY
THE FLORIDA MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATIVE
&
THE ALACHUA COUNTY PERINATAL MENTAL HEALTH COALITION

The Conference provides an opportunity for various stakeholders throughout Florida to come together to exchange information and forge collaborations around innovations in improving maternal and child outcomes associated with perinatal mental health issues.

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