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Healthy People 2020 tackling social determinants of health: Input sought from health work force

• Companion documents broadening reach of Healthy People goals

Public health leaders hope for renewed health agenda under new administration: Health outlook

Focus on health system reform a welcome one for health leaders

Mental health advocates laud new federal parity law: Equal coverage for mental health care

New standards on airborne lead lauded by public health advocates

Physical activity guidelines give tips for kids, adults: New HHS recommendations pinpoint easy ways to fit in exercise

Concern over safety of bisphenol A leads to more study, calls for ban

EPA offers new electronic recycling guidelines; certification in works

Health advocates favor nomination of Daschle as secretary of health

Help raise flu awareness with CDC's health e-cards

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Arizona launches online registry for emergency health volunteers

Public health priorities gain voter approval in state elections

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World Health Report calls for heightened focus on primary care

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Know your family's health history for a better future

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Mortgage foreclosures, neglected pools tied to West Nile virus spike

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Checklist defines legal issues during flu pandemic

Entries sought for annual award for food protection

APHA News

Annual Meeting calls for reform of global, U.S. health systems: More than 12,600 workers join together

• Trio of U.S. surgeons general a meeting favorite

Members choose Nevarez as next APHA president: Three Executive Board members, vice presidents also named

New APHA brief: Transportation bill opportunity to promote health

APHA institute tackles health issues in Caribbean: Maternal and Child Health Leadership Institute continues

National Public Health Week to highlight personal stories

Association has successful year, APHA Executive Board told

APHA Annual Report highlights Association's 2008 accomplishments

Past presidents gather for coffee, talk

APHA Governing Council adopts 12 new Association policies: Changes to APHA Bylaws approved

Get involved now in Association leadership: Nominations being accepted for APHA committees, boards

• APHA boards, committees open for leadership appointments

APHA review of existing policies begins next month

• Timeline for 2009 APHA policy review, archiving

Summary of 2008 APHA policies adopted by the Governing Council in October: New policies address issues such as abortion access, health systems, community water fluoridation

Abstract submissions for 2009 APHA Annual Meeting open

APHA Expo booths compete for best in show prizes: Winners range from APHA Sections to local health departments

Theme of 'Public Health Without Borders' resonates with presenters

Public health exploring new frontiers in technology, biology

Sessions tackle growing problem of overweight among U.S. kids

APHA blog covers news from Annual Meeting as it happens

APHA calls for proposed 2009 policy statements: Full Association policy process now on APHA Web site

Timeline for APHA proposed policy process

Purchase photos from APHA's Annual Meeting: Hundreds of photographs from sessions, socials online now

Nominations for APHA public health awards due April 17

Listen to Annual Meeting sessions online through APHA program

Meeting Findings

• Walking dogs can lead to more physical activity, researchers find

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APHA's member groups come together at San Diego meeting

APHA member groups present awards in San Diego: Educators, students, researchers honored for achievements

APHA Sections, SPIGs, Student Assembly call for nominations

Population Section changes name to reflect work in sexual health

Affiliates

Ohio Public Health Association named Affiliate of the year

Affiliate awards honor members' contributions to public health

Affiliate activities spotlighted at Annual Meeting: State, regional Affiliates take on advocacy, capacity building

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