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U.S. economic crisis having worrisome effect on health: States, individuals struggling with cuts

Free offers of antibiotics raise concern for some in public health: Resistance feared

• FDA reverses decision to ban use of cephalosporin in animals

Gaps found in pandemic plans; preparedness faces funding woes

Public health support sought for bone, joint health: U.S. Bone and Joint Decade highlights musculoskeletal disorders

Business, environmental coalition offers blueprint to face climate change

Annual Cover the Uninsured Week coming up March 22-28

EPA offers online consumer tool that calculates energy impact

Georgia peanut plant linked to nationwide salmonella outbreak

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Florida health department raises awareness using storytelling

States making little progress on passage of traffic safety laws

New York health department links with hair salons to offer HIV tests

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Global health workers urged to focus on health, trade link

Obama repeals 'global gag rule,' restores U.S. funds to UNFPA

Q&A with WHO leader David Heymann: Healthier world requires U.S. leadership: Global health advocate highlights infectious disease challenges

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Getting enough sleep can often be the best medicine

Health Findings

• Early elective Caesarean section deliveries a risk

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Campaign highlights hearing loss prevention among youth, parents

Disco song could have lifesaving properties, new study finds

Report: Federal government, seven states fail tobacco control in 2008

APHA News

APHA's National Public Health Week is April 6–12: Focus is on "Building the Foundation for a Healthy America"

APHA institute teams improving traffic safety: Year-long institute focusing on pedestrian, motorcycle safety

New booklet highlights U.S. progress on asthma control

APHA says check your stockpile with the March 8 clock change: Ice storms a preparedness reminder

2009 APHA fellow to begin public health work on D.C.'s Capitol Hill

New staff members join APHA in policy, publication shops

APHA Advocates

APHA celebrates reauthorization of SCHIP program

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Modern slavery: Persistence of a global ancient wrong

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Submissions sought by April 1 for APHA public health film festival

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Kansas Affiliate brings health to preschoolers through reading

Washington, D.C., Affiliate rolls out HIV/AIDS awareness video contest

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CDC offers wealth of flu season resources

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