



Nevada Public Health Association
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2009 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

**The State of Public Health in Nevada:
Taking Stock on the Eve of *Healthy People 2010***

Monday, September 21 – Tuesday, September 22, 2009

**Joe Crowley Student Union
University of Nevada, Reno
Reno, Nevada**

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

As we near 2010, the nation's milestone for becoming a community of *Healthy People*, public health in Nevada is at a cross-roads. An unprecedented fiscal crisis and a growing population with increasing health needs have challenged public health both as a field and as a workforce to meet demand with ever-dwindling resources and to continue to make lasting public health changes. The year 2009 also ushered in another biennial state legislative session, in which public health and the health care safety net were common frequent topics of discussion.

This year, the Nevada Public Health Association (NPHA) will examine the state of public health in Nevada in light of these defining events as the theme of its annual public health conference. Over the course of this two day event, we will "take stock" of where Nevada stands on leading public health indicators, including our milestones, our continued areas of challenge, and our vision for the future on the eve of *Healthy People 2010*. We will spotlight emerging trends in the field, new local research, successful local program responses to public health needs, and national-level perspectives on what it takes to have "healthy people."

The conference will also provide a unique opportunity for public health practitioners, researchers, and students to share ideas and network at the annual poster reception, which highlights new research and applied public health programs in Nevada. Lastly, prominent public health leaders and students will be honored with the announcement of NPHA's annual public health awards and scholarships.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Public health professionals, including physicians, nurses, oral health professionals, educators, researchers, epidemiologists, environmentalists, program administrators, policy makers and students.

CALL FOR POSTER ABSTRACTS

Please see the website for poster and breakout session submission information.

Visit the website at www.NPHAonline.org or call (775) 784-1983 for more information.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

A block of rooms is being held for conference attendees at the Silver Legacy Resort. Reservations will be made at the rates quoted below on a space available basis until August 21, 2009.

Single/Double Occupancy

Sunday and Monday \$79 per night, plus applicable taxes and resort fee

To make hotel room reservations, contact the Silver Legacy at 800-687-8733 and mention group code *TTNPHA* to receive the special group rates.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

From the Airport to the Silver Legacy: The Silver Legacy is located 4 miles from the Reno-Tahoe International Airport and offers a complimentary shuttle service daily from 5 am – 12 midnight.

From the Silver Legacy to the Joe Crowley Student Union: Attendees who are staying at the Silver Legacy may take the Sierra Spirit, a complimentary bus service that operates between downtown Reno and the University of Nevada campus. The campus is located approximately one mile from the hotel.

AGENDA

Monday, September 21, 2009

- 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. **Registration and Exhibits**
- 11:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. **Lunch (provided)**
- 12:00 p.m.–12:15 p.m. **Opening Remarks**
Nancy Nivison Menzel, PhD, RN
President, Nevada Public Health Association
- 12:15 p.m.– 1:15 p.m. **Opening Plenary**
**Building a Healthier Nation:
A National Perspective on *Healthy
People 2010 and 2020***
Carter Blakey
- 1:15 p.m.– 2:15 p.m. **Building a Healthier Nevada:
A Local Perspective on *Healthy
People 2010 and 2020***
Jay Kvam, MSPH
Additional speakers to be determined
- 2:15 p.m.– 2:30 p.m. **Break and Exhibits**
- 2:30 p.m.– 3:45 p.m. **Healthy Living by Design:
Policy from a (New) Public Health Perspective**
Eric Ohlson
Nicole Alberti, MA
Michelle Gorelow, MAEd
Bill Story
Larry Matheis
- 3:45 p.m.– 5:00 p.m. **Social Reception and Poster Sessions**
- 7:00 p.m.– 9:00 p.m. **“Unnatural Causes:
Is Inequality Making us Sick?”**
*Film Viewing and Community Dialogue on
Health Disparities*

AGENDA

Tuesday, September 22, 2009

- 7:00 a.m.– 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast Roundtables:
Perspectives on Pressing Public Health Issues
from Nevada’s Leaders**
- 8:00 a.m.– 8:15 a.m. **Opening Remarks**
Nancy Nivison Menzel, PhD, RN,
President, Nevada Public Health Association
- 8:15 a.m.– 9:30 a.m. **Nevada’s Ecological Footprint:
Re-examining Sustainability and the
Future of Our Natural Resources**
Jason Geddes, PhD
John C. Sagebiel, PhD, LEED AP
Leslie Allen
- 9:30 a.m.– 9:45 a.m. **Break and Exhibits**
- 9:45 a.m.–11:00 a.m. **Building the Foundation for Health:
Oral Health and Its Interconnections**
Christine Wood, RDH
Michael Sanders, DMD
Jeanette Belz
- 11:00 a.m.–11:15 a.m. **Break and Exhibits**
- 11:15 a.m.–12:30 p.m. **Concurrent Breakout Sessions**
- 12:30 p.m.– 1:30 p.m. **Lunch (provided) and
NPHA Business and Planning Meeting
(open to all)**
- 1:30 p.m.– 2:45 p.m. **Concurrent Breakout Sessions**
- 2:45 p.m.– 3:15 p.m. **Closing Remarks:
NPHA in 2010 and Beyond**
Jennifer Stoll-Hadayia, MPA
President-Elect, Nevada Public Health Association

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

Nursing: The University of Nevada School of Medicine approves this program for 8.50 hours of nursing continuing education credit.

CHES: Application for Certified Health Education Specialists (CHES) continuing education credit has been made. Determination of credit is pending.

REGISTRATION FEES AND INFORMATION

Registration fees include access to all conference activities as well as 1 breakfast, 2 lunches, 1 evening reception and electronic hand-out materials. Fees are as follows:

- \$ 150 Current NPHA Member
- \$ 185 New or Renewing NPHA Member (includes one year of NPHA membership)
- \$ 55 Students (includes one year of NPHA membership)

The registration deadline is Friday, September 11, 2009. Register online at www.NPHAonline.org. For additional information, call (775) 784-1983.

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SPEAKERS

Nicole Alberti, MA, NCC, *Health Educator II, Washoe County Health District, in partnership with the Northern Nevada Apartment Association*

Leslie Allen, *Program Officer, Cooperative Extension, University of Nevada, Reno*

Jeanette Belz, *Lobbyist, Nevada Dental Association*

Carter Blakey, *Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, US Department of Health and Human Services*

Jason Geddes, PhD, *Environmental Services Administrator, City of Reno*

Michelle Gorelow, MAEd, *Director of Program Services, March of Dimes Nevada Chapter*

Jay Kvam, MSPH, *Biostatistician, Office of Health Statistics and Surveillance, Nevada State Health Division*

Eric Ohlson, *Coalition Coordinator, Join Together Northern Nevada*

Larry Matheis, *Executive Director, Nevada State Medical Association*

John C. Sagebiel, PhD, LEED AP, *Environmental Affairs Manager, Environmental Health and Safety, University of Nevada, Reno*

Michael Sanders, DMD, *Professor, UNLV School of Dental Medicine and Chair, 2008 State Oral Health Summit Planning*

Bill Story, *Bicycle, Pedestrian & Safe Routes to School Programs Manager, Nevada Department of Transportation*

Christine Wood, RDH, *Formerly Chronic and Communicable Disease Manager, Nevada State Health Division*