

## Member Benefits

**Action Alerts:** Every year during the legislative session, MPHA public policy watchdogs keep an eye on public health policy development. Action alerts keep you up-to-date on public health issues being addressed at the legislature and give you the tools to make your voice heard.

**Annual Conference:** An exciting annual event where public health professionals gather to discuss timely events, surrounding a particular theme. The conference typically features a local or national public health expert. Members receive a discount on the registration fee.

**Emerging Leaders Network (ELN):** The ELN provides leadership training and development opportunities for public health professionals. It is a new addition to MPHA activities, and is a pilot project of MPHA, the Minnesota Department of Health and the Local Public Health Association.

**Leadership Roles:** All MPHA members are encouraged to play a leadership role in MPHA either as a committee member or chair, governing council member, or as an executive officer of the organization.

**Mentoring Program:** Both professionals and students in public health can benefit from the mentoring program. Contact Michelle Lian-Anderson ([liana001@umn.edu](mailto:liana001@umn.edu)) at the School of Public Health Student Services if you are interested in the program. MPHA and the U of M School of Public Health Student Services Office sponsor the program.

**MPHA Calendar of Events:** MPHA calendar of public health professional development opportunities (conferences, workshops, etc.).

**MPHA Update:** The bi-monthly electronic newsletter of MPHA with information about public health in Minnesota, including grant opportunities, emerging issues, jobs and networking opportunities.

**Networking and Social Events:** Opportunities to meet and interact with other MPHA members.

**“Public Health Matters” Breakfast Forums:** Topics in 2004/2005 include: lessons learned from tobacco policy challenges; minor consent; public health infrastructure; and scientific integrity.

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## **Committees and Taskforces**

*Members are encouraged to participate in the work of MPHA by serving on a committee or taskforce. Contact the chair(s) listed below for more information on how to join.*

### **Centennial Celebration (2007) Taskforce**

Donna Anderson ([annodan@att.net](mailto:annodan@att.net)) & Lisa Pogoff ([lisa.pogoff@state.mn.us](mailto:lisa.pogoff@state.mn.us))

### **Communications Committee**

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### **Diversity Taskforce**

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### **Leadership Development Committee**

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### **Membership Committee**

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### **Public Policy and Advocacy Committee**

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