

Dear Oklahoma Public Health Leader:

The health of Oklahomans is a concern for the entire community as our state continues to experience poor health outcomes. The health of our community is too important for Oklahomans to continue to languish near the bottom of state health rankings. The Oklahoma Public Health Association (OPHA) knows how important your work is to the state of Oklahoma and how important the health of our citizens is to you – Let us help you!

By becoming a **Member** of the OPHA, you add your voice to more than 1,000 of your peers and colleagues. As a member, you will also enjoy the following benefits:

- 1) Information and Resources: Our website (<u>www.opha.net</u>), quarterly newsletter, email updates and social media pages, give you access to the most current public health information and research.
- **2)** Legislative Advocacy: The OPHA's legislative efforts strive to educate and inform elected leaders at the local, state and federal levels. OPHA's Public Policy Committee identifies and promotes policies aimed to improve the health of Oklahomans.
- **3) Professional Development and Networking:** The OPHA Annual Conference and regional training events provide continuing education opportunities to keep you abreast of the current research, best practices and policy changes in the public health area. These conferences also provide opportunities to network with your colleagues and make new acquaintances at both the state and national levels.
- **4) Cross-Disciplinary Public Health:** The OPHA has a section or caucus that appeals to public health advocates with a variety of interests: Administrative Services, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Environmental Health, Epidemiology and Laboratory, Gerontological Health, Health Administration & Planning, Public Health Education and Promotion, Maternal and Child Health, Oral Health, and Public Health Nursing. Caucus membership is open to members of OPHA who are interested in the caucus topic, regardless of professional discipline.

Please visit our website: <u>www.opha.net</u> to complete the membership application. The application can be emailed to <u>opha@opha.net</u>, faxed to 405/605-2099, or mailed to: Oklahoma Public Health Association 121 N.E. 52nd St., Suite 260 Oklahoma City, OK 73105

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## Join OPHA to help improve the health of all Oklahomans today!