



NCPHA Eastern District

Good Health Today & Tomorrow

**MARCH 2022
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President's Message

Greetings Eastern District Family and Friends!

The Eastern District and NCPHA Executive Committees is busy planning a Spring Educational Conference that is sure to be of interest to everyone. If you haven't already made plans to attend please do so now. The dates are April 6-8 and will be at the DoubleTree, Atlantic Beach, NC. The theme of the conference is "Public Health: What is on the Horizon". We hope you will attend and participate in the many events offered as we all strive to keep public health a priority in North Carolina. It's up to us to advocate about the value of public health funding and the protection and improvements provided to the public's health.

Over the past two years we've seen how public health has again stepped forward to answer the COVID Pandemic. It has impacted all levels of public health and blurred the vision of so many that were passionate about their jobs. Having the opportunity to participate in a public health conference goes a long way to keeping the public health spirit alive, opening windows to new ideas, and gaining information and knowledge from mentors and presenters.

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I personally challenge all North Carolina public health organization members to enthusiastically promote and encourage membership in our public health organizations. Strong support of the organizations provides a stronger voice to ensure the needs of public health are met. Our public health organizations, EDNCPHA and NCPHA have been building leaders and providing mentors, aiding in professional development and creating lifelong friendships for over a century – won't you join us?

With the decline of positive cases of COVID, masks will be worn at the discretion of the individual based on their assessment of health and personal risk.

Looking forward to seeing you in April!

Wes Gray, President

Greetings from your President-Elect!

The 62nd Annual EDNCPHA Spring Conference is right around the corner. The Program Planning Committee has worked diligently to finalize the agenda for this year's conference- "Public Health: Post COVID – What is on the Horizon". We will have a panel presentation following the awards luncheon on the first day. This panel will be digesting and sharing lessons learned throughout the COVID Pandemic. Dr. Ronny Bell, who served as the Chair of Healthy North Carolina 2030 Task Force, will encourage us to keep looking up towards the horizon and empower us to keep steadfast toward reaching our NC Health 2030 goals. Whatever your professional background, you will find a variety of educational topics that will impact your daily work throughout the agenda. Conference attendees will be in for a special treat at the closing session of the conference. Popular motivational humorist, May Craven, will end our 2022 conference on Friday morning, April 8th. Known for her down-home humor and fun presentations, May has traveled internationally while entertaining audiences at conferences and conventions for many years. She has been featured in "Our State" Magazine, received Toastmasters International's highest award, World Tour Association's Presenter of the Year, along with many other awards and honors for her work as a motivational humorist. May is a native North Carolinian (Ellerbe in Richmond County), she grew up on a tobacco farm and states that she has lived life on life's terms long enough to know that our life's journey should be filled with lots of fun and laughter. This is one you don't want to miss!

See you soon,

Travis Greer-EDNCPHA President-Elect



Public Health: Post COVID - What is on the Horizon".

Treasurer's Report

Account Balances as of January 26, 2022

Checking - \$4,588.47
Savings - \$17,186.13



Communicable Disease Program

To Be Determined...

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

STAY INFORMED, VISIT www.easterndistrictpublichealth.org

MEMBERSHIP YEAR: JULY 1, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022

ANNUAL DUES: \$25.00

NAME: _____

New Member If new, recruited by: _____

Renewal Previous Name (if remarried, etc.): _____

Present Position: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Employer: _____

Employer Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone #: _____

Complete Membership application and make check payable to EDNCPHA and mail or call to pay by credit card to:

EDNCPHA

Djuana Register, Treasurer

P.O. Box 613

Benson, NC 27504

910-876-2510

EDNCPHA is composed of Six (6) Sections. An individual must be a member of EDNCPHA to qualify for membership in a Section. Please circle the Section or Sections to which you wish to belong.

Environmental Health

FAMI

Health Directors

Health Education

Communicable Disease

Nursing/Physician Extenders/Laboratory

Will you be eligible for Life Membership _____ Yes _____ No. (Life Membership requires retirement as of December 31, 2021, and twenty years of service in public health)

If you will be eligible, complete this section and return to the Treasurer by March 1, 2022

Signed: _____ Date: _____

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Nominations are currently being sought for the "Trenton G. Davis" Award for distinguished and devoted service in environmental health.

This is the Eastern District NCPHA Environmental Health Section's highest award.

Criteria for this award are as follows:

1. Nominee must be a member in good standing of the Environmental Health Section of Eastern District, NCPHA for the previous year (July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021). Please do not nominate someone unless you are certain he or she met this requirement.
2. Nominee must have performed professional duties in the field of Environmental Health above and beyond the usual employment requirements so as to elevate the professional status of the Environmental Health Specialist--especially activities which impact public health in the Eastern District membership area.

Nomination Document should include:***General Letter from the nominating person(s) making the formal nomination;***

- a. Photograph of nominee if available
- b. Description of personal facts regarding nominee, i.e. single, married, children, etc.

Education

- **Listing of formal education as well as special training and experience**

Employment History

- **Record of places of employment, including scope of responsibilities**

Professional Association Activity

- **Organizational affiliations, detailing offices and committee responsibilities**

Contributions to the Betterment and Practice of Environmental Health

- **Contributions worthy of interest that are to the betterment of environmental health sciences. These can include: publications authored or co-authored by the nominee; significant scientific or applied research; accomplishments in the development or implementation of new, broader or improved concepts, procedures or techniques in the practice of environmental health.**

Other

- **Significant contributions to the professional status of environmental professionals not covered in other categories above. Such contributions should include civic or school activities or affiliations, previous honors and awards.**

References

- **Inclusion of letters of reference or endorsement, copies of publications (or proper reference to source) and other significant support documents.**

Scholarship Info Continued:

Past Recipients of This Distinguished Award are :

- * 1993 - Trenton G. Davis
- * 1994 – W. Malcolm Blalock
- * 1995 - C. H. Hamm, Jr.
- * 1996 - Bob L. Uebler
- * 1997 - William E. Pierce, Jr.
- * 1998 - Ray G. Silverthorne, Jr.
- * 1999 - Richard H. Clayton, III.
- * 2000 - Ed Norman
- * 2001 - No Award
- * 2002 - Laura E. Gammons
- * 2003 – Charles H. Jackson
- * 2004 – Sonja Remington
- * 2005 – Worth Heath, Jr.
- * 2006— No Award
- * 2007—Harry Whitley
- * 2008 – Greg Bright
- * 2009 - Courtney Silverthorne
- * 2010 – Troy Dees
- * 2011 – Jon Harrison
- * 2012 – David Eudy
- * 2013 – Terry Chappell
- * 2014 – Len Gilstrap
- * 2015 – Kristi Nixon
- * 2016 - Stacey Harris
- * 2017 - Daniel Ortiz
- * 2019 - Robert Richardson
- * 2021 – Victoria Hudson

Please submit nominations to me directly at the address

STACY H. COVIL OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The EDNCPHA member nominated for this award should have demonstrated an outstanding achievement in a specific health related project, program or activity within the past two years. Priority will be given to selecting an individual who has been instrumental in providing significant local, regional or state impact, or the potential for such impact, as a result of implementing the project, program or activity.

OUTSTANDING CAREER ACHIVEMENT AWARD

The EDNCPHA member nominated for this award should have significant achievements during a career that is characterized by exemplary and sustained service to public health.

OUTSTANDING PUBLIC HEALTH AWARD

The agency or program nominated for this award should have health programming that is considered creative, innovative, efficient and effective. The programming should have demonstrated community involvement and impact and has been or is planned to be an ongoing effort. The nomination should be submitted in narrative form not to exceed two single-spaced typed pages.

Deadline for Nominations is March 8, 2022

NOTICE OF SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABILITY

The Eastern District North Carolina Public Health Association is again offering limited scholarships for continuing one's education. The scholarships will be available for the academic year 2022-23. One member and one Child of Member scholarship will be awarded in the following categories and amounts:

1. Graduate (Master's and Doctorate) – Member \$500.00/Child of Member \$500.00
2. Undergraduate – Member \$500.00/Child of Member \$500.00
3. Technical/Associate Degree or Certificate – Member \$250.00/Child of Member \$250.00

Potential applicants should complete the appropriate application with required materials and letters and return them to:

Trisha Tant (w) 919-245-2378

Orange County Environmental Health ttant@orangecountync.gov

131 W. Margaret Lane

Hillsborough, NC 27278

The deadline to apply is March 4, 2022. Incomplete applications or applications received after the deadline will not be considered. All applications will be reviewed and awardees selected by March 20, 2022. Winners will be notified prior to the annual meeting, and scholarships will be available at the meeting.

Thank you for your interest and cooperation. Please Email me at edncpha@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Trisha Tant

Scholarship Committee

Eastern District NCPHA

62ND ANNUAL EDNCPHA EDUCATION CONFERENCE

"Public Health:
Post COVID- What is on the
Horizon"

APRIL 6-8, 2022

Double Tree Atlantic Beach

2717 W Fort Macon Rd.
Atlantic Beach, NC 28512

**Masks will be worn at the
discretion of the
individual based on their
assessment of health and
personal risk.**

Want to become a
member?

Membership Year:
July 1st-June 30th
Annual Fee: \$25.00

You do not have to be a
member to attend the
conference

For more information visit our
website

www.easterndistrictpublichealth.org

Follow us on Facebook at
EasternDistrict NCPHA



Greetings from the Registration Team!

We are looking forward to seeing everyone this year at Atlantic Beach. It has been a long two years! We encourage everyone to Pre-Register. By pre-registering, it will make things smoother for all. Packets will be ready for pick up at check in.

As a reminder credit card payments are accepted.

See you soon in Atlantic Beach!





From the Door Prize Committee

DOOR PRIZES

Just a reminder each County and Section is asked to provide a door prize for the conference. Please give your door prize to Karen Prince, Chair, or leave with Registration.



EASTERN DISTRICT NCPHA ANNUAL EDUCATION MEETING
"EDNCPHA: Post COVID – What is on the Horizon"
April 6-8, 2022
Doubletree, Atlantic Beach, NC

NAME: _____
(Please print name as preferred on Name Tag)

AGENCY: _____
ADDRESS: _____
EMAIL ADDRESS: _____
POSITION: _____
SECTION AFFILIATION: _____

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****All registration fees include Wednesday lunch, Friday breakfast, and all other conference-sponsored functions****

FULL CONFERENCE PRE-REGISTRATION, MEMBER \$110.00 _____

FULL CONFERENCE PRE-REGISTRATION, NON-MEMBER \$135.00 _____

FULL CONFERENCE ON-SITE REGISTRATION, MEMBER \$115.00 _____

FULL CONFERENCE ON-SITE REGISTRATION, NON-MEMBER \$140.00 _____

ONE DAY PRE-REGISTRATION, MEMBER \$65.00 _____

ONE DAY PRE-REGISTRATION, NON-MEMBER \$95.00 _____

ONE DAY ON-SITE REGISTRATION, MEMBER \$70.00 _____

ONE DAY ON-SITE REGISTRATION, NON-MEMBER \$100.00 _____

***STUDENT REGISTRATION – ONE-HALF THE ABOVE FEES** \$ _____
(Full Time Students)

***LIFE MEMBER REGISTRATION – ½ CONFERENCE REGISTRATION** \$ _____

****Special Lunch Request-Vegetarian**** _____

BREAKFAST & LUNCH TICKETS (available for one-day registration or guests) \$25.00 _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

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Registration Forms **MUST** be mailed no later than **March 15, 2022**.
Refunds will not be available until 2 weeks after Annual Meeting.

REGISTRATION FEES:
MAIL TO:
Traci Bruce
Robeson County Health Department
460 Country Club Road
Lumberton, NC 28360

MEMBERSHIP DUES: \$25.00
MAIL TO:
Djuana Register
Treasurer, EDNCPHA
PO Box 613
Benson, NC 27504

(Make all checks payable to: EDNCPHA)



62nd Annual Eastern District Education Conference

“Public Health: Post COVID – What is on the Horizon”

April 6-8, 2022

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

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| 8:00 am – 4:00 pm | Registration <i>(Registration closed 11:30 am – 1:30 pm)</i> | | | | | | | | |
| 8:00 am – 10:00 am | Vendor Set-Up | | | | | | | | |
| 9:30 am – 10:30 am | Executive Committee Meeting | | | | | | | | |
| 11:15 am – 11:45 am | Opening Session | | | | | | | | |
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| Welcome | Nina Oliver, Health Director, Carteret County Health Department
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| 11:45 am – 1:15 pm | Awards Lunch | | | | | | | | |
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| 1:15 pm – 1:30 pm | Break – Meet the Exhibitors | | | | | | | | |

Afternoon Session

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| 1:30 pm – 2:15 pm | COVID: Lessons Learned, Looking Back and Looking Forward
<u>Zach Moore Section Chief, Epidemiology Section, NC DHHS</u> |
| 2:15 pm – 3:30 pm | COVID Panel Discussion
Moderator: Larry Michael-NC DHHS, Section Chief for Environmental Health, Moderator
Panelist:
NC DHHS Representative TBD
Stacie Saunders, MPH, Health Director, Buncombe County
Dr. Jennifer Green, Health Director, Cumberland County
Battle Betts, Jr., Health Director, Albemarle Regional Health Services (ARHS) |
| 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm | Healthy NC 2030

Ronny Bell, PhD, MEd, MS Director of the Office of Cancer Health Equity at Wake Forest Baptist Comprehensive Cancer Center. |



4:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Business Meeting	
	Presiding	Wes Gray, President
	Secretary’s Report	Monica Short-Owens, Secretary
	Treasurer’s Report	Djuana Register, Treasurer
	Slate of Officers	Rhonda Ashby, Past President
	Door Prizes	Karen Prince, Door Prize Chair
5:00 pm	Dinner on your own	
	Sponsored Dinner by Tego (For invited guests only)	

Thursday, April 7, 2022

8:00 am – 12:00 pm **Registration**

Health Education and Nursing Section

8:00 am – 8:30 am	Networking and Coffee	
8:30 am – 9:00 am	Collaborating Partnerships Improving Health	Catherine Nelson, Pitt Partners for Health
9:00 am – 10:00 am	Statewide Networking Uniting Health Care and Human Services	LaQuana Palmer, MPH Program Director of NCCARE360, Foundation for Health Leadership and Innovation
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Break – Meet the Exhibitors	
10:15 am – 11:30 am	What’s New, What’s Changed-THE Tobacco Update	Ernest Watts, Region 8 Tobacco Lead, Robeson County Health Department
11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Free Pharmacy Program-Dispensing Hope for the Uninsured	Rebecca Galloway, MBA Manger of Partner Relations
12:30 pm – 2:00 pm	Lunch on your own	
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Urgent Threat of Health Misinformation	Brian G. Southwell, PhD Senior Director, Science in the Public Space, Center for Communication Science, RTI International, Adjunct Professor Duke University
3:00 pm – 3:15 pm	Break – Spotlight on Exhibitors	
3:15 pm – 4:00 pm	Establishing & Sustaining Community Gardens	Shawn Banks County Extension Director & Extension Agent Carteret County Cooperative Extension
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	A Closer Look at What Eating Local Means for Our Food Systems	Catherine Elkins, Founder & Director Carteret Local Food Network Stacy Macklin, Executive Director Carteret Local Food Network
5:00pm – 5:15 pm	Section Business Meeting	

Environmental Health Section

- 8:00 am – 9:00 am **Where do we go now? Are we running out of good soil?**
TBD Private Vendor
- 9:00 am – 10:00 am **Who is going to do it? Staffing challenges in Environmental Health**
Victoria Hudson, REHS
Orange County Environmental Health
- 10:00 am – 10:15 am **Break – Meet the Exhibitors**
Silent Auction Begins – Make your Bids!!
- 10:15am – 11:15 am **The Future of the Childcare Center Lead Rule**
Donna Gilbird, REHS and Robert Pearsall, REHS
Children’s Environmental Health Branch, NCDHHS
- 11:15 am – 12:00 pm **What do we say? Business Writing for the 21st Century**
TBD Small Business Center
Carteret Community College
- 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm **Lunch on your own**
- 1:00 – 2:00 pm **What is going on here? Situational Awareness for Field Staff OTHERS CAN JOIN**
TBD,
Carteret County Sheriff’s Office
- 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm **Applying Racial Equity Thinking to Environmental Health Services**
Thomas Privott, Roberto Diaz, and Ian Olson
Orange County Environmental Health
- 3:00 pm – 3:15 pm **Break – Spotlight on Exhibitors**
Silent Auction – Make your Bids!!
- 3:15 pm – 4:00 pm **What’s next and what’s in Your Go Kit, Environmental Health?**
TBD, Emergency Preparedness and Environmental Health NCDHHS
- 4:00 – 4:30 pm **Legislative, Section, and Branch Updates**
Larry Michael, Section Chief or delegate
DHHS, Environmental Health
- 4:30 pm – 5:00 pm **Business Meeting/Awards/Door Prizes**





Health Director's Section

- 8:00 am – 9:00 am **Starting a Successful Public Health Dental Program**
Speakers TBD
- 9:00 am – 10:00 am **Community Opioid Coalitions and Drug Recovery Courts**
Chief District Court Judge Regina Parker and Anthony Tyre, Executive Director of Clearpoint
- 10:00 am – 10:15 am **Break – Meet the Exhibitors**
- 10:15 am – 11:30 am **Medicaid Transformation – Opportunities moving forward***
Speakers TBD
- 11:30 am – 1:00 pm **Lunch on your own**
- 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm **ARPA Work Force Development***
Douglas W. Urland, MPA, LHD Operations Liaison, NC DPH
- 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm **Mobile Health Units and COVID-19 Outreach**
speakers TBD
- 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm **Break – Spotlight on Exhibitors**
- TBD **Section Business Meeting**

Thursday, April 8, 2022

FAMI Section

8:30 am – 9:45am

Billing Updates - COVID Vaccines

Brook Johnson and Samantha L. Smith, BS

PH Administrative and Financial Consultants

NCDHHS, DPH, Local Technical Assistance and Training Branch

9:45 am – 10:00 am

Break – Meet the Exhibitors

10:00 am – 11:30 am

Medicaid Transformation – Opportunities moving forward*

speakers TBD

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Lunch on your own

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

ARPA Work Force Development*

Douglas W. Urland, MPA, LHD Operations Liaison, NC DPH

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Waves of Enforcement Discretion and Advancing

Changes to the HIPAA Security Rule

Tyler Booker, Director of Security, Audit, and Compliance at TEGO

3:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Break – Spotlight on Exhibitors

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Health Information Exchange

Kenya Servia, MPA, Health Information Exchange Authority

NC Department of Information Technology

4:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Section Business Meeting

* Joint session between Health Directors and FAMI Section



Communicable Disease Section

TBD	More Section Education Sessions TBD
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12:00 pm- 1:30 pm	Lunch Break
TBD	More Section Education Sessions TBD
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Break-Spotlight on Exhibitors
TBD	More Section Education Sessions TBD
4:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Section Business Meeting

Evening Activities

5:00 pm – 5:30 pm	Hoop Pole Creek Nature Trail Hike Travis Greer
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Dinner on your own
8:00 pm – 12:00 am	Dance/Social DJ, Jerry Newell Taz2 Productions

Friday, April 8, 2022

8:30 am – 9:30 am	Breakfast Buffet	
9:30 am – 10:00	Closing Session	
	Presiding	Wes Gray, President
	Recognition of Section Awards Winners	
	Announcements	Wes Gray, President
	Installation of Officers	Rhonda Ashby, Past President
	Plaque Presentation	Travis Greer, Incoming President
	Past President Comments	Wes Gray, Past President
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Break and Hotel Check Out	
10:15 am – 11:00 am	Motivational Humorist, May Craven (semi-retired), Wilmington, NC.	
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Closing Remarks	Travis Greer, President
	Door Prizes	Karen Prince, Door Prize Chair
	Adjourn	Travis Greer, President

****Mandatory Training for New Officers and Section Chairs will be conducted at the conclusion of the conference.**