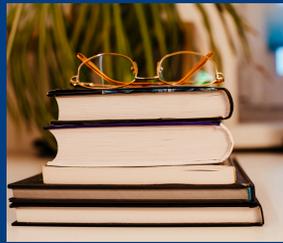


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Academic Section

Megan Mercer, MPH, CDP

The Importance of Academic and Community Partnerships in Public Health



Administration Section

Meredith Langfritz, MPH

Accreditation in Action: Exploring PHAB's Tools, Services, and Impact



Career Development Section

Melissa (Moose) Alperin, EdD, MPH, MCHES

Beyond Job Announcements, Resumes, and Acceptance Letters: Building a Public Health Career



Environmental Health Section

Shweta Arya & Rhea Rao

Smart Surfaces and Public Health



Epidemiology Section

Michael Kramer, PhD

Can you get there from here? How "spatial thinking" can make us better epidemiologists



Wednesday, April 29, 2026



9:00 AM-11:15 AM



Via ZOOM



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Participants may choose a section of interest if their affiliated section is not meeting



Following the section meetings, we will recognize 2026 GPHA Award Recipients

Plenary Speaker:

American Public Health Association President

Nandi A. Marshall,
DrPH, MPH, CHES[®],
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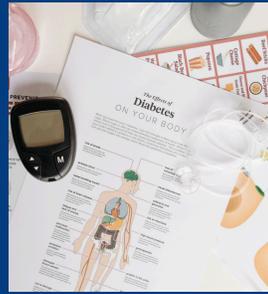
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Agenda

- 9:00-9:20 am:** Welcome and Opening Business Meeting
- 9:20-9:35 am:** Plenary Speaker, Nandi A. Marshall, DrPH, MPH, CHES® CLC, CDE®
- 9:35-9:45 am:** Transition to Section Meetings
- 9:45-10:45 am:** GPHA Section Meetings
- 10:45-10:55 am:** GPHA Awards
- 10:55-11:15 am:** Closing Business Meeting
- 11:15-12:00 pm:** Executive Board Business Meeting



Health Education & Promotion Section

Wanda Allen, DNP, MSN, MPA, AGNP-C, NE, RN

Strengthening Community Participation in Health Literacy and Wellness Programs



Health Information & Information Technology Section

Jeff Jones, PhD

Understanding AI and Applications in Public Health



Maternal & Child Health Section

Kiara Loud MPH, MS, IMH-E

Healthy Start Collaborative across Georgia



Nutrition Section

La'Darius Madison, DrPH(c), MPH, RDN, LD

Exploring Barriers and Facilitators to Dietitian-led Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support Programs at the Joseph M. Cleland VA Medical Center



Rural Health & Primary Care Section

Erin M. Mundy, MPA, GCPH

Building Georgia's Rural Health Future: Workforce, Partnerships, and Transformation in Action



Safety & Health Preparedness Section

Michael Whiteaker M.A., CEM

A Tale of Two States: Cross Border Collaboration Leads to Unified Chempack Preparedness and Integration