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A closer look at Public Health

HHP Public Health Quarterly Newsletter: Fall 2022

## IMPORTANT DATES

OCT. 13-22

CHES EXAM

Nov 1

Spring CHES registration opens

## UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPT. 28-30

TPHA Annual Conference

OCT. 26

The Great Sexucation

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## New Master of Public Health (MPH) Program

Thinking about grad school? The HHP department is now offering a fully online Master of Public Health (MPH) program in Health Equity. The program is 42-credit hours with full- and part-time enrollment options. To learn more, visit the [program's webpage](#) or reach out to Dr. Bliss, the MPH Program Director, Dunn Center room 275, [blissk@apsu.edu](mailto:blissk@apsu.edu), 931-221-6107



APSU Health Promotion Committee co-hosts

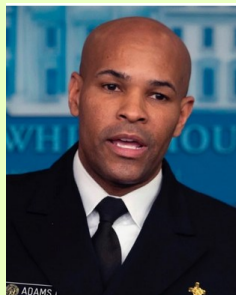
## The Great Sexucation



Join the APSU Health Promotion Committee on **October 26<sup>th</sup>** in **MUC 303/305** for a sexual health event you won't want to miss! The event will run from **10:00am-2:00pm** (stop by when you can) and will include an expo style event where you can visit many different sexual health tables to learn about important topics and services offered followed by an anonymous Q & A session where you can get all of your sex-related questions answered by a panel of experts.

## TPHA Conference: Sept. 28-30

The 2022 TPHA Conference will be held at the Embassy Suites in Murfreesboro. The conference themed, "Moving Public Health Forward: Reset, Restore, Refocus", will feature fantastic sessions to network and broaden your health horizons, along with an inspiring Keynote address from [Dr. Jerome Adams](#), the 20th Surgeon General of the United States. Check out the [Agenda](#), [Additional Speakers](#), or [Registration Details](#). This is also a great time for students to [join TPHA](#) for a reduced rate of \$15.



## 5-minute Brain Food



Congratulations to the newest Gammans in APSU's Epsilon Tau Chapter:

Carla Augustin	Delrick Hernandez
Naomi Bannis	Chantae Hodges
Emily Boling	Miranda Mantlo
Brianna Bond	Blake Qualls
Morgan Henderson	Armoni Willis

## ESG Welcomes New Members...



Eta Sigma Gamma is a national honorary in public health that recognizes students for their academics and provides an opportunity to meet other public health students and gain experiences in service, teaching, research, and advocacy.



**Nia Gibbs-Francis**  
Site Compliance Reviewer,  
CDC Foundation

## APSU Professional Spotlight : Nia Gibbs-Francis

Hello, Austin Peay Public Health Students! My name is Nia Gibbs-Francis, and I am a proud alumnus of the Public Health Program. Currently I am using my public health degree in my work as a Site Compliance Reviewer for the Center for Disease Control Foundation working in conjunction with the Maryland Department of Health. I am a member of an emergency response team whose job is to ensure that the COVID-19 vaccines are being properly prepared, stored, and administered. I meet with various providers throughout the state of Maryland and work with them to ensure that they meet standards of compliance. If we find there has been an issue with compliance and standards of preparation, storage, and administration an investigation must be launched, patients must be contacted and re-vaccinated, all shipments to the provider must halt, and we work with the provider to ensure they complete corrective actions.

My advice for public health students is to explore various populations and avenues for public health. There are so many job opportunities available with a range of populations that need your help! Keep an open mind to what is out there! Additionally, when you are hired make sure to network and utilize all the resources that your company provides!

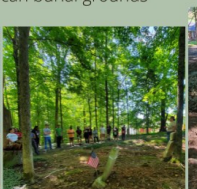
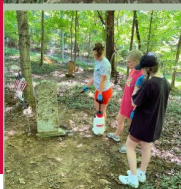
**“As much as talent counts, effort counts twice.”**

*-Angela Duckworth*



**A Teaching Grounds for Racial Equity**  
*The Mt Olive Cemetery Experience*

- HHP 3450: Health Issues of Special Populations
- Educational Tour and Headstone Cleaning Mt Olive Cemetery
- August 31, 2022, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- Learning about African American health experiences by visiting one of Clarksville's largest African American burial grounds



### In the community...

Dr. Nolting's fall 2022 HHP 3450: Health Issues of Special Populations course, students are participating in "A Teaching Grounds for Racial Equity: The Mt Olive Cemetery Experience." This experience allows students to learn about African American health experiences from the 1800s to the present by exploring and reflecting upon the lives of those interred at Mt Olive Cemetery, one of Clarksville's largest and oldest African American burial grounds. This is part of a research study project with Kadi Bliss, Constanza Zurita Valdebenito, and Novalee Feichko.

## Acronym Soup: NCHA

The [American College Health Association \(ACHA\)](#) is a professional organization that benefits college student health through advocacy efforts, research, and education. Over 700 institutions, including APSU are members and participate in the [National College Health Assessment \(NCHA\)](#) to better serve the health of our students. Check out the latest [NCHA National Data HERE](#).

## COMING SOON: National College Health Assessment at APSU

APSU will be administering the National College Health Assessment (NCHA) this semester. The NCHA is a valid and reliable public health survey that provides a comprehensive look at students' health behaviors and beliefs. We will be using a random sampling method to select participants, so be on the lookout for an invitation email to complete the important public health survey. The email will be sent on October 31st, and if you complete the survey you will be entered into a drawing to win one of the following prizes: air pods, JBL bluetooth speaker, portable projector, \$50 Visa gift card.

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## Did you Know?

Make a plan to Self-Study for CHES or MCHES. Check out this link to the best study and test-taking tips straight from NCHEC. Don't want to study on your own? Sign up for HHP 4801 CHES Exam Preparation (1 cr.) this spring.