ASPHN’s Collaboration Committee

Building Strategic Partnerships for Successful Outcomes in Public Health.

The ASPHN Collaboration Committee works to strengthen and improve ASPHN’s strategic partnerships with other organizations. The Committee:

- Reviews requests for ASPHN members to serve on partner organizations’ committees or workgroups.
- Recruits members to be ASPHN representatives to these committees.
- Provides guidance and support to these liaisons.
- Develops policies to guide the organization’s work with our partners.

The Committee seeks partnerships that advance the Association’s mission, vision and values and that advance the goals outlined in our strategic plan. In working with a variety of partner organizations, we work to expand our visibility and effectiveness.

ASPHN members currently serve as liaisons to fifteen organizations or projects:

- Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Public Health/Community Nutrition Practice Group
- Action for Healthy Kids
- Association of SNAP Nutrition Education Administrators (ASNNA)
- ASTHO Affiliate Council
- ASTHO Prevention Policy Committee
- Center for Science in the Public Interest
- Food Marketing Workgroup (By CSPI)
- Food Research and Action Center (FRAC)
- National Alliance of Nutrition Association (NANA)
- National Farm to School Network
- National Fruit and Vegetable Alliance
- National Physical Activity Society (NPAS)
- National Sodium Reduction Initiative
- United Fresh Produce Association (UFPC)
- U.S. Breastfeeding Committee

We Welcome Any ASPHN Member to Join the Collaboration Committee!

The Committee meets monthly for one hour via conference call. If you’re interested or would like more information, contact Shana Patterson at shana@asphn.org or 814. 255. 2829 ext 708.

Featured Collaboration

Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics, Public Health/Community Nutrition Practice Group (PHCNPG)

This partnership serves 2 purposes:


ASPHN plays a key role in this project by co-chairing the Expert Review Committee to revise the Guide, drafting sections and skill development opportunities, and developing and supporting the complementary website. This Guide and the website are designed to help public health/community nutrition professionals prepare for the rapidly changing environment from the local to global level and to help assure a strong and competent workforce now and in the near future.

Alison Conneally, MS, RDN, CDN is the ASPHN liaison to the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics’ Public Health/Community Nutrition Practice Group (PHCNPG). This partnership looks to empower the members of both groups by sharing resources, training and leadership opportunities and innovative ideas, while working together to develop leaders in the field of public health nutrition.

Alison is the Nutrition Section Director for the Bureau of Supplemental Food Programs in the New York State (NYS) Department of Health, and the NYS WIC Nutrition and Breastfeeding Coordinator.