

# ON BOARD

June 10, 2024



News and Views from the New Jersey Local Boards of Health Association

Saturday, June 22, 2024  
**NJLBHA Board Meeting**  
10:00 AM EST

Meeting  
Details

## Current Articles and Requests for Participation

To all board members and local health officials: Please reproduce this flyer and distribute as appropriate.

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**OUR GOALS**

- GUIDE THE FORMATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY
- ADVOCATE & BODY OF LAWS TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH
- EDUCATE LOCAL BOARDS TO PERFORM PUBLIC HEALTH GOVERNANCE
- SUPPORT THE STAFFING AND FUNDING NECESSITY TO PERFORM FOUNDATIONAL SERVICES
- INCREASE PUBLIC HEALTH AWARENESS
- PROMOTE REGIONAL COOPERATION

**THE NEW JERSEY LOCAL BOARDS of HEALTH ASSOCIATION**

**YOUR VOICE IN TRENTON and WASHINGTON DC**

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SCAN TO JOIN THE TEAM BECOME A MEMBER

## Public Health Council Access

The general public, including members of local boards of health, may attend **New Jersey's Department of Health Public Health Council** monthly meetings. The Public Health Council is the advisory body created in New Jersey statutory law to advise the Commissioner of Health on matters of public health significance. The Council is charged with the responsibility of reviewing all New Jersey administrative codes within the purview of the State Department of Health. The Council is also charged with advising the Commissioner on matters related to public health priority funding for local health departments. Prior to 2005, the Council functioned as the State Board of Health with full regulatory authority. In 2005, the Council was reorganized to its present advisory role.

Submitted by Paul David Roman  
Chairman, New Jersey Public Health Council

Per your request at our EXCOM meeting yesterday, here is the procedure for subscribing to the Public Health Council distribution list. The website to access this is <https://www.nj.gov/health/bc/>. This will take you to the Department's Boards, Councils, and Commissions. You must then click on Public Health Council tab shown in the blue strip at the top. On the left side, look for "Subscription of Meeting Materials". Once you click on that, it will show you a form for you to print out and fill out and email or US Mail back to the Department of Health. This will give you access to meeting announcements and other related materials which will also allow you to attend the meeting via audio means only and participate in the public portion.



June/July



Join us for for the NJSOPHE Mid-Year Meeting!

**"Innovative Engagement Strategies for Cultivating Healthy Communities"**

Friday, June 14, 9:30 AM - 2 PM

Montclair State University

[Online Event Registration](#)



Establishing Sustainable Funding for  
Public Health Departments

[Read Full Article](#) June/July

 Webinar  
On Demand

## APPROACHES TO ADDRESS COMMON VACCINE MYTHS AND TOOLS TO DECREASE HESITANCY



 **FRIDAY**  
**10 MAY, 2024**  
Original Broadcast

### Speakers

**Brooke Cherven, PhD**

*Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Emory  
University School of Medicine, Aflac  
Cancer and Blood Disorders Center,  
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta*



**Melinda Butsch Kovacic, PhD**

*Professor and Associate Dean of  
Research, University of Cincinnati,  
Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical  
Center*



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This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Medical Society of New Jersey. New Jersey Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics is accredited by the Medical Society of New Jersey to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

New Jersey Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics designates this enduring activity for a maximum of 1.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

[View Webinar](#)

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NJIN's webinar, *Approaches to Address Common Vaccine Myths and Tools to Decrease Hesitancy*, is now available on-demand!

The recording can be accessed using the link embedded in the flyer, or by clicking the blue "View Webinar" button below the flyer.

Continuing Education credit is available to applicable individuals after viewing the recorded webinar and completing the SurveyMonkey evaluation, which can be accessed by clicking the blue "Complete Evaluation" button.

New Jersey Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics | 50 Millstone Road, Building 200, Suite

Recent graduates and emerging professionals can apply for the second year of the Governor's Fellows Program. This initiative offers a unique entry into public service with mentorship and potential for long-term State employment. Act fast — applications close on June 14, 2024 for roles in critical areas like AI equity and homelessness prevention. [Office of the Governor | Governor's Fellows Program \(nj.gov\)](#)



Direct link to the NJ Dept of Health application: [ViewNonCompetitiveJobDescription \(state.nj.us\)](#)

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## Take Action: Ask your Member of Congress to Support the Public Health Workforce

You know firsthand that local health departments are on the front lines of ensuring the health and safety of our communities. As Congress works on FY25 funding bills, I encourage you to contact your federal representatives and ask them to support the public health workforce by providing \$100 million for the Public Health Workforce Loan Repayment Program.

**Ask your Representatives to Support** the Public Health Workforce Loan Repayment Program. This important program could help recruit as many as 2,000 public health professionals and reinforce the local public health workforce, the backbone of our nation's governmental public health system.

Public health professionals are our best advocates. NACCHO is grateful for your advocacy efforts. <https://t.congressweb.com/w/?ACXFONXGBS>

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***New Jersey's Response to the Covid-19 Pandemic*** released by the Governor on March 7, 2024, and commissioned for research and development on November 28,

**[2022https://nj.gov/governor/news/news/562024/approved/20240311a.shtml](https://nj.gov/governor/news/news/562024/approved/20240311a.shtml)**"This long-awaited report is essential reading for every local board member, health department staffers, legislators, legislative staffs, and other government and public officials at every level. This report will be the object of close scrutiny at various levels and its findings and recommendations are critical to our ongoing advocacy for additional permanent sustainable funding for the foundational services necessary to fully meet New Jersey's practice standards for local boards of health." - Paul David Roman, President, NJLBHA



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