

# 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 fourteen organizations or projects:

- Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics - Public Health / Community Nutrition Practice Group
- Action for Healthy Kids
- American Public Health Association - Food and Nutrition Section
- Association of SNAP-Ed Nutrition Networks
- ASTHO Affiliate Council
- ASTHO Prevention Policy Committee
- CSPI Food Marketing Workgroup
- National Alliance for Nutrition and Activity (NANA)
- National Fruit and Vegetable Alliance
- National Physical Activity Society
- National Salt Reduction Initiative
- Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior
- United Fresh Produce Association
- United States Breastfeeding Committee



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### FEATURED COLLABORATION

## THE ASTHO PREVENTION POLICY COMMITTEE

The ASTHO Prevention Policy Committee provides policy direction to ASTHO on a variety of health promotion and prevention initiatives, including nutrition and physical activity as well as chronic disease risk reduction, and social environments that promote health.

Becky Adams, MPH, RD LD, CDE, is ASPHN's representative on the Committee. Becky believes that ASPHN plays a key role on the committee: We help to provide direction for the committee, and we draft important policy statements. For example, ASPHN led the effort within the Prevention Policy Committee to develop a guide to the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act. The purpose of the guide, a major project, was to help organizations and agencies in their implementation of the Act.

Becky is the Partnership and Policy Support Director for the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Branch in the Arkansas Department of Health. She is also the Program Coordinator for the Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity Program.

### 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](mailto:shana@asphn.org) or **814. 255. 2829 ext 708**.