CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Join your colleagues and other public health laboratory partners at the 2016 APHL Annual Meeting and Tenth Government Environmental Laboratory Conference.

Learn more about laboratory issues relative to environmental health, emerging infectious diseases, emergency preparedness, informatics, food safety, newborn screening and global health and earn CEUs.

Explore new ways to manage the laboratory in a complex public health and ever evolving healthcare system, and new laboratory research projects in our poster sessions.

Network with colleagues, including lab directors from state, county, city and local public health laboratories and from government and agricultural laboratories, senior staff in those laboratories, federal and private laboratory personnel, and anyone interested in laboratory science. Registration is open to all!

Contribute to discussions and dialogue at sessions, breakouts, roundtables and APHL’s member assembly.

Visit 60+ exhibitors and win prizes! See the newest in laboratory technology, test kits, supplies, services and construction.

Celebrate the accomplishments of colleagues and others involved in public health at our Annual Awards Breakfast and Ceremony.

Who will benefit from attending this conference?

- State, county and city public health laboratory directors and personnel
- Clinical and academic institution managers and staff
- Environmental and agricultural laboratory directors and scientists
- Healthcare professionals and clinicians from public health agencies
- Federal agencies or state and local public health officials
- Clinical and academic laboratory managers and staff
- Others interested in laboratory issues
Registration

Advanced registration through APHL is required.

Member Registration: $525
Non-Member Registration: $650
Student: $150
Pre-Conference Registration Fee: $95

Online Registration (credit card)

Registration Form (check)

Meeting Location and Hotel

Albuquerque Convention Center
401 2nd Street
Albuquerque, NM 87102
505.768.4575

Hyatt Regency Albuquerque Hotel
333 Tijeras NW
Albuquerque, NM 87102
505.842.1234

The 2016 APHL Annual Meeting and Tenth Government Environmental Laboratory Conference will be held at the Albuquerque Convention Center in downtown Albuquerque, NM. The headquarters hotel is the Hyatt Regency Albuquerque Hotel which is across from the convention center. They are located within easy walking distance of numerous restaurants and shops.

The conference room rate is $149.00 (plus tax) per night for a single or double. There are a very limited number of rooms at the federal per diem rate. Reservations may be made by calling 888.421.1442 or 505.842.1234. Be sure to mention you are attending the “APHL Annual Meeting” to receive this rate. You may also reserve online. Check the website for links.

This rate is valid until May 6, 2016 or until the block is filled. This block may fill up quickly so be sure to make your reservation early. These rates are available three days before and after the meeting based on availability. One night’s deposit is due when making a reservation but is refundable providing your cancellation is made more than 24 hours before check-in. There is a fee for early departure.

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Continuing Education Credits

APHL is an approved provider of continuing education programs in the clinical laboratory sciences through the American Society of Clinical Laboratory Science (ASCLS) P.A.C.E.® program. Attendees have the opportunity to earn up to 14.0 contact hours by attending the entire conference. Attendance rosters must be signed in each attended session that credit is requested for and the P.A.C.E.® certificate must be signed and certified by APHL staff at the registration desk at the end of your time at the conference.

Optional Tour of the New Mexico State Public Health Laboratory

An optional tour of the New Mexico State Public Health Laboratory has been arranged for Thursday afternoon, June 9. The lab tour will leave the hotel at 1:00 pm and return by 3:30 pm. You must sign up for this tour at the same time as you register for the symposium. Participation is limited.
Program Highlights

Please keep in mind that this schedule is a work in progress and is subject to change. It is offered for planning purposes only. The Preliminary Program, due out in February 2016, will have more details.

Sunday, June 5
4:00 pm – 7:00 pm  Registration

Monday, June 6
7:00 am – 6:00 pm  Registration
8:00 am – 11:30 am  Pre-Conference Workshops (separate registration required)
                   LEAN-ing Into the Future: Hands-On Practice With LEAN Tools
                   Next Generation Sequencing, From Concept to Reality at Public Health Laboratories
                   Biosafety and Biosecurity: The Era of Risk Assessments and Outreach
11:30 pm – 1:30 pm  Lunch (on your own)
1:30 pm – 3:30 pm  Opening Session
                   Welcome to Albuquerque
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm  Plenary Session
                   Surviving and Rebuilding Post Ebola: Personal Reflections from Sierra Leone
                   Break in the Exhibit Hall
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm  Exhibit Hall Open Posters Available for Viewing
3:30 pm – 7:00 pm  Concurrent Sessions
                   More than Just Hot Air — Viable Applications of WGS in Clinical and Academic Laboratories
                   The Impact of Public Health Laboratories: How Return on Investment Metrics Can Help Your Laboratory
                   Beating Tuberculosis — How Far We’ve Come and the Way Forward
                   Integrating LRN-C into Public Health Practice
4:00 pm – 5:30 pm  Welcome Reception in the Exhibit Hall
                   Sponsored by Roche Diagnostics
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Schedule Summary

The 2016 APHL Annual Meeting begins with two pre-conference workshops at 8:00 am, Monday, June 6 following by the Opening Session at 1:30 pm.

Posters will be displayed from Monday afternoon, June 6 through 2:00 pm on Wednesday, June 8.

The Exhibit Hall is open Monday, June 6, 3:30 pm – 7:00 pm, Tuesday, June 7, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm and Wednesday, June 8, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

Meeting Rooms

General sessions will take place in the ballroom on the main level of the convention center opposite the NE Exhibit Hall which will house the exhibits and posters. Breakouts will be upstairs and the roundtables are a short walk away.
Tuesday, June 7

7:30 am – 5:30 pm  
Registration

7:30 am – 9:00 am  
Coffee

8:00 am – 8:45 am  
Industry Workshops

9:00 am – 10:30 am  
**Concurrent Sessions**

- Considerations for Implementing Emerging Technologies
- Practical Informatics Lessons Using the Language of Laboratorians AND Bridging the Gap: Building Strong Communication Between Laboratory and Informatics Staff (*combined session*)
- The PulseNet Cost-Benefit Study and Beyond: What Have We Learned and Where Are We Headed After 20 years of Molecular Enteric Surveillance?
- “Hot” Topics in Radioanalytical Response — A Real World Perspective

10:00 am – 6:00 pm  
Exhibit Hall Open  
*Posters Available for Viewing*

10:30 am – 11:00 am  
Break in the Exhibit Hall

11:00 am – 12:00 pm  
**Plenary Session**

- Dr. Katherine Kelley Distinguished Lecture
  - The Magic of Oz
  - Oz Pearlman, Mentalist and Magician

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm  
Lunch in the Exhibit Hall (provided)

- Visit the vendors and view the posters
- Oz Pearlman will mingle with attendees

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm  
**Concurrent Sessions**

- Strengthening the Biosafety Culture in Laboratories
- Does Your Laboratory have an Individualized Quality Control Plan (IQCP)?
- Adventures in Sequencing: Bringing AMD to Public Health
- What Dangers are Lurking in Your Water? How are Public Health Laboratories Responding?

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm  
Break in the Exhibit Hall

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm  
**Member Assembly**

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm  
**Networking Reception**

*Exhibit Hall*

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Wednesday, June 8

7:30 am – 5:30 pm  Registration
7:30 am – 9:00 am  Coffee
8:00 am – 8:45 am  Roundtables
                    Improving the Risk Assessment Process
                    Overcoming Barriers to Implementing NGS
                    The L-SIP Update: Stories from Recent L-SIP Participants
                    What’s in Our Water and How Do We Know?
                    Meeting Testing Needs for Emerging Contaminants

9:00 am – 10:30 am  Awards Ceremony and Breakfast
                    Sponsored by Hologic

9:00 am – 2:00 pm  Posters available for viewing in the Exhibit Hall
10:00 am – 2:00 pm  Exhibit Hall Open
10:30 am – 11:00 am  Break in the Exhibit Hall
11:00 am – 12:30 pm Plenary Session
                    Changes to the Common Rule:
                    Impact on Public Health Laboratories

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm  Lunch (on your own)
1:30 pm
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm  Plenary Session
                    Cannabis Testing Programs
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm  Break
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm  Concurrent Sessions
                    We’re All in This Together: Using a One Health Approach to Mitigate Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) in the US
                    Eenie Meenie Miny Mo — Using a Risk-based Approach for Food Sampling Aids in the Protection of Public Health
                    PHL Competencies in Action
                    Laboratory Response Network (LRN) Outreach to the Emergency Responder Community

Exhibitors
(as of January 8, 2016)

A2LA
Abbott Informatics
Abbott Laboratories
Aperiomics
Art’s Way Scientific, Inc.
BD Diagnostics
bioMerieux, Inc.
Bio-Rad Laboratories
Biotage
Bruker
BtB Software, LLC
Cepheid
CheWare, LLC
ClorDisys Solutions, Inc.
Fujirebio US
Genial Compliance Systems/Rainbow Scientific, Inc.
GenMark Dx
HDR
Healthpac Computer Systems, Inc.
Hologic
Luminex Corporation
Magellan Diagnostics, Inc.
National Jewish Health
Orchard Software Corp.
PerkinElmer
Puritan Medical Products Co.
Qualtrax, Inc.
Quantabio
Roche Diagnostics
Thermo Fisher Scientific

Contact information for these exhibitors and further details on the Annual Meeting can be found on the main conference website.

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Thursday, June 9

7:30 am – 12:30 pm  Registration
7:30 am – 9:00 am  Coffee
8:00 am – 8:45 am  **Roundtables**
    What's New with Select Agents?
    ISO Accreditation: In Search Of Resources to Sustain Accredited Food and Feed Testing Laboratories
    Tips and Tricks for Retaining Organizational Knowledge: Using the Knowledge Retention Toolkit
    The Continuing Battle Against Sexually Transmitted Diseases

8:00 am – 8:45 am  Roundtables
9:00 am – 10:30 am  **Concurrent Sessions**
    PHLSD and Informatics Self-Assessment Tool: A New Approach to Information Sharing
    Case Studies: Public Health Laboratories Respond to Threats
    Implementation of FDA’s Laboratory Developed Test Guidance
    Coal Ash and Mine Spills: Environmental Laboratory Implications

9:00 am – 10:30 am  Concurrent Sessions
10:30 am – 11:00 am  Break
11:00 am – 12:30 pm  **Plenary Session**
    Talk Nerdy to Me: How to Use Narratives to Share Your Lab's Work

12:30 pm  Adjournment
1:00 pm – 3:30 pm  Optional tour of the New Mexico State Public Health Laboratory