NEW MEMBER APPLICATION
Public Health Associate Institutional

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MEMBER BENEFITS

Institutional Members

State Public Health Laboratories
Local Public Health Laboratories
Associate Public Health Laboratories (Environmental, Agricultural, Chemical)
Territorial Public Health Laboratories

Communications
• Lab Matters, APHL's quarterly magazine
• APHL eUpdate, a weekly electronic newsletter
• Scientific and promotional publications
• Regular emails with timely information

Resources
• Access to online content in My APHL at www.aphl.org
• Member Resource Center: submit or search for model practices
• Survey data
• Guidance documents for federal grant applications
• Discounts on laboratory consumables
• Online career center: discounted job postings

Education
• Support to attend a variety of conferences and trainings
• Subject-specific technical conferences
• Media services (e.g., media training, message points)
• Orientation for new laboratory directors*

Participation
• Conference calls with subject matter experts
• APHL Annual Conference registration discount
• National awards program
• Member collaboration tools
• Ability to participate in subject-specific committee activities
• Opportunity to represent the association in external workgroups
• Volunteer opportunities to increase laboratory capacity in developing countries
• Ability to host a fellow through one of APHL’s fellowship programs
• Opportunity to hold appointed office (i.e., committee chair)
• Opportunity to hold elected office on APHL’s Board of Directors*
• Ability to vote for representative on the BOD*
• Opportunity to speak from the floor at the APHL Annual Conference

APHL represents laboratory professionals like yourself, working on your behalf to influence policy and progress in your field. As a member, YOU have unparalleled benefits and resources.

* This benefit does not apply to Member-Associates of these member institutions.

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ON YOUR BEHALF

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ADVOCACY
Your voice is united with other laboratorians working for the public’s health, as APHL speaks out on your behalf. APHL’s public policy campaigns have resulted in new laboratory workforce and education funding opportunities. APHL also publishes issue briefs to educate legislators at all levels about critical public health threats and the laboratory’s role in detection, monitoring and resolution.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
APHL offers survey data, technical documents and subject-specific meetings. Additionally, APHL provides member labs with technical assistance for laboratory information management systems and interoperability.

CONNECTION
APHL is a major hub of information delivery to laboratories from key federal agencies like the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and US Department of Agriculture (USDA). Email alerts will advise you of critical information, while a weekly e-Update newsbrief summarizes APHL’s activities on your behalf.

ADVANCEMENT
APHL provides numerous leadership education and training opportunities, including the Emerging Leader Program. In addition, APHL offers a multitude of opportunities to serve on committees and workgroups.

EDUCATION
APHL members enjoy discounted registration to APHL’s Annual Conference, the only event dedicated to laboratory work in the interest of public health. APHL offers complementary and affordable training with CEUs available in a variety of formats, especially for our members.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS
APHL is your “Crisis Central,” providing updated algorithms, emergency training, recall advisories, call-in events and email alerts during outbreaks and public health events. APHL stays connected to the CDC, the FDA, the Department of Homeland Security, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the EPA, so you receive clear information as soon as possible.

RECOGNITION
APHL recognizes the work that you do. Each year, your colleagues can nominate you for one of several awards for excellence. You’ll also have many opportunities to present posters, papers and best practices to your peers and other public health professionals at APHL conferences.

INFLUENCE
APHL provides the means for laboratorians to shape policy, planning and technology. APHL members learn of new technology in development and have opportunities to contribute their expert understanding of issues and requirements, ensuring that tools of the future function both efficiently and effectively.

APHL MISSION
Shape national and global health outcomes by promoting the value and contributions of public health laboratories and continuously improving the public health laboratory system and practice.

APHL VISION
A healthier world through quality laboratory systems.

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Benefits and Services for Governmental Laboratories Performing Food Testing

APHL brings together non-federal governmental laboratories performing human and animal food testing of public health significance in order to strengthen laboratory capacity and capability. Join your colleagues in driving the advancement of laboratory practices and systems and explore what APHL can do for you.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- Travel scholarship programs to attend a variety of conferences, such as GenomeTrakr, APHL Annual Conference, and IAFP
- Support for virtual training courses and local training events
- APHL Annual Meeting member discounts
- Opportunity to provide input on training needs in the design of educational workshops

TARGETED COMMUNICATIONS

- Quarterly calls with agricultural and state chemist laboratories
- Member calls to address emergent issues, e.g. COVID-19 impact and response
- Emergency 50-state conference calls arranged in a matter of minutes
- Lab Matters, APHL's quarterly magazine
- Washington Update, a report that lists developments in federal activities that have an impact on public health laboratories
- APHL eUpdate, a weekly electronic newsletter
- Information regarding funding opportunities
- Announcements, updates and information via blast emails

PULSENET SAVINGS

- Save up to $2,000 in PulseNet fees
- Waived fees for training, certification, annual proficiency tests and customized scripts

OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVOLVEMENT

- Collaborate with peers, federal agencies (FDA, CDC, USDA, EPA) and other association partners (AAFCO, AFDO) on important issues, including:
  - ISO/IEC 17025 Accreditation
  - Cannabis/Hemp Testing
  - Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)
  - Capability and Capacity Building
  - Workforce Development
- Serve on advisory committees, subcommittees and work groups with other laboratory subject matter experts:
  - Food Safety Committee (with agency liaisons from USDA, FDA and CDC)
  - Human and Animal Food Subcommittee
  - Environmental Health Committee
  - Environmental Laboratory Science Committee
  - Workforce Development Committee

For a full list of advisory committees visit www.aphl.org

APHL letters of support or nomination for membership on national food safety councils, committees and work groups, such as:
- FDA’s Food Advisory Committee (FAC)
- USDA’s National Advisory Committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods (NACMCF)
- Partnership for Food Protection Governing Council (PFP)

RESOURCE CENTERS

- Public Health Laboratory System Database: a searchable online, comprehensive test and equipment inventory
- Member Resource Center: online center with shared practices, protocols and more
- ISO/IEC 17025 Accreditation Resource Center: online repository of SOPs, best practices, quality manuals, training webinars and more
- Survey Resource Center: access to data collected from APHL surveys of member laboratories across the country
- Access to APHL member-only content portal, My APHL

LEADERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT

- Orientation for new laboratory directors
- Emerging Leader Program, a 12-month leadership development program for governmental member laboratorians

APHL online Job Center: members receive a 40% discount on 45-day job postings

Visit us at www.aphl.org or our Food Safety Program page.
Benefits and Services for Environmental Laboratory Members

APHL serves as a focal point for environmental laboratory communication, training, policy and interactions with the federal government. Drive laboratory advancement and join APHL today!

Here is some of what we can do for you:

• Provide a place to gather with colleagues from other environmental laboratories to share ideas, collaborate and connect to federal agencies such as USEPA and CDC’s National Center for Environmental Health.
• Present opportunities to shape policies, laws, regulations and activities at the national level.
• Offer educational and training events, often at member-discounted prices. Topics include laboratory safety, quality assurance, ethics, workforce development, lab equipment and more.
• Identify venues for you to share your expertise, such as at educational workshops and conferences.
• Respond to your needs, through committees, workgroups and online communities, such as the Environmental Laboratory Sciences Committee, the Environmental Health Committee, the National Biomonitoring Network and the Government Environmental Laboratory Online Community.
• Keep you updated with regular communication during large-scale events such as the Gulf Coast Oil Spill and Fukushima.
• Provide a wealth of information through the Member Resource Center and the Survey Resource Center.
• Apprise members of the latest in laboratory developments such as methodology issues and potential funding opportunities like small grants and applied research through newsletters, magazines, blogs, tweets and more.
• Enhance recruitment efforts by posting job openings on our online Job Center. (Members receive a 40% discount on 45-day job postings.)
• Offer workforce support through the APHL/CDC Environmental Health Fellowship.

For more information about a Public Health Associate Institutional Membership, contact Drew Gaskins at membership@aphl.org or 240.485.2733.

Visit us at www.aphl.org or our Environmental Lab Resources page.
If your laboratory is a previous or current institutional member of APHL, please do not complete this form. Instead, please contact our Membership Department at membership@aphl.org.

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**Member-Associates**

Please provide contact information for the laboratory’s appointed Member-Associates using the supplemental Member-Associates Contact Form. The amount of complimentary Member-Associate positions that your laboratory receives can be found in the dues section below. Additional positions can be purchased for $125 each.

**DUES**

Membership is based on a July 1 to June 30 year.

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*New members receive a 50% discount the first year.

**Method of Payment** Payment is due with the completed application.

We do not accept credit card information via email. If paying by credit card, please either fax or mail the completed application with credit card information. You may also email the application WITHOUT credit card information and call Drew Gaskins, Membership Sr. Specialist, at 240.485.2733 with credit card information for payment processing. Applications received via email with credit card information will not be processed.

☐ Check to APHL included ☐ American Express ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard

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☐ I grant APHL permission to send member communications to me via email, such as funding opportunities, RFPs, outbreak alerts, surveys, training and conference announcements, and other member-only content.

Credit card and check payments must be mailed or faxed to:

Association of Public Health Laboratories
8515 Georgia Avenue, Suite 700
Silver Spring, MD 20910
fax 240.485.2700
phone 240.485.2733
membership@aphl.org
Please list the contact information for your laboratory’s member-associates below.

Member-associates are those laboratory staff chosen by the Laboratory Director to receive member benefits. Member-associates may not vote but have the right to hold appointed (but not elected) office (e.g., committee chair, liaison, task force), to serve on committees, and to speak from the floor of a general member meeting. The amount of complimentary Member-Associate positions that your laboratory receives can be found in the dues section on the previous page. The Laboratory Director may appoint additional member-associates for $125 each.

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