

West Virginia Public Health Association Annual Public Health Conference

**“101 Years: Building the Bridge for the Next Century”
September 17th -September 19th, 2025
Oglebay Resort, Wheeling West Virginia**

Wednesday, September 17th

Public Health Association (All)

Time	Event/Session
10:00am – 12:00pm	WV Association of Local Health Departments Meeting
12:00pm – 4:30pm	WVPHA Registration Desk Open Ballot Box Open
1:00pm – 1:15pm	Welcome WVPHA President David Whittaker
1:15pm – 1:45pm	Keynote Speaker Secretary Arvin Singh Cabinet Secretary, Department of Health
1:45pm – 2:15pm	Mark E. McDaniel, DO, FAAFP State Health Officer, Department of Health
2:15pm – 2:45pm	Break- Networking Visit the Exhibition Hall
2:45pm – 4:00pm	Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Coalition of West Virginia, “Understanding ACEs 101and Public Health Integration” (CEUs Available) Kathy Szafran, Board President

Thursday, September 18th

Public Health Association (All)

Time	Event/Session
8:00am – 11:00am	Registration Desk Open Ballot Box Open

Association of Sanitarians

Time	Event/Session
8:15 am – 8:30 am	Welcome by WVAS President & Epi Section President

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Association of Sanitarians (cont)

Time	Event/Session
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Foodborne Illness Outbreak Exercise – Part I “Bad Salsa at the Farmers Market – E. coli O157:H7”
10:00 – 10:15 am	Break (refreshment provided in the exhibitor area)
10:15 am – Noon	Foodborne Illness Outbreak Exercise – Part II “Bad Salsa at the Farmers Market – E. coli O157:H7”
Noon – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 am - 1:30 pm	WVAS Business Meeting & Awards
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	The Food Safety Ninja Cady & Paul Stomp, Lake County (OH) Health
2:30 pm – 2:45 pm	Break (refreshment provided in the exhibitor area)
2:45 pm – 3:45 pm	How to Get the Most Out of HS Cloud Stacy King
3:45 pm - 4:00 pm	Update on RFFM Program Bob Custard
4:00 pm – 4:45 pm	Update from OEHS Stacy King

Epidemiology Section

Time	Event/Session
8:00am – 8:15am	Welcome, Introductions
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Foodborne Illness Outbreak Exercise – Part I “Bad Salsa at the Farmers Market – E. coli O157:H7”
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Epidemiology Section (cont)

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10:15 am – Noon	Foodborne Illness Outbreak Exercise – Part II “Bad Salsa at the Farmers Market – E. coli O157:H7”
Noon – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00pm – 2:30pm	Syphilis Bianca Huff
2:30pm – 3:00pm	Break/Poster Presentations
3:00pm – 4:30pm	Alpha Gal Syndrome Michael Abshire

Nursing Section

Time	Event/Session
8:00am – 8:15am	Welcome, Introductions
8:15am – 9:00am	Shannon McBee
9:00am – 9:30am	Break (refreshment provided in the exhibitor area)
9:30am – 12:00pm	Lead and Radon Paul Ice, Assistant Director Radiation, Toxics and Indoor Air
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Domestic Violence Awareness Missy Whitehair
2:00pm – 2:30pm	Break (refreshment provided in the exhibitor area)
2:30pm – 4:00pm	Epi Info Violence Mikaela Earl

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WV Nutrition Section

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8:00am – 8:30am	Welcome / Business Meeting
8:30am – 9:45am	Bridging the Gap Between Cultural Disparities and Health Equity- “Right” from the Start Angel Cunningham, MS, RDN, LDN
9:45am – 10:30am	Break (refreshment provided in the exhibitor area)
10:30pm – 12:00pm	The Forgotten Lesson: Perinatal Mental Health Brittany Cummings, PA-C, PMH-C
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm – 2:30pm	Supporting Parents to Help Their Families Build Healthy Eating Patterns Rachael DeCaria, RD, LDN
2:30pm – 3:15pm	Break (refreshment provided in the exhibitor area)
3:15pm – 4:30pm	Wild, Wonderful & Healthy WV: Using Community Health Improvement Planning to Advance Access to Healthy Foods Allison Toler

Public Health Clerical Section

Time	Event/Session
8:00am – 8:05am	Welcome Katherine Burns, President
8:05am – 9:30am	Active Shooter Training Bart Barker, Greenbriar County Sheriff
9:30am – 10:00am	Break (refreshment provided in the exhibitor area)

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10:00am – 11:00am	Active Shooter Training (cont.)
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Overview of Grants, Budgets & How to Find Grants Tabitha Surface, WV Grant Resource Center
2:00pm – 2:30pm	Break (refreshment provided in the exhibitor area)
2:30pm – 3:30pm	Overview of Grants, Budgets & How to Find Grants (cont.)
3:30pm – 4:00pm	Roundtable Discussion Katherine Burns, President April Eltringham, Vice President

Public Health Emergency Management Association

Time	Event/Session
8:30 – 10:00am	WV PHEMA Business Meeting Brian Bell, Raleigh County Health Department Wayland Harris, Wheeling-Ohio County Health Department Malcolm Lanham, Mid-Ohio County Health Department Jamie Moore, Monongalia County Health Department
10:00am – 10:30am	Break (refreshment provided in the exhibitor area)
10:30am – 12:00pm	Emerging Infectious Diseases John Comer Heather Cosgrove Dr. Matt Lokant
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch

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Public Health Emergency Management Association (cont)

Time	Event/Session
1:00pm – 2:30pm	EPA – Superfund Sites
2:30pm – 3:00pm	Break (refreshment provided in the exhibitor area)
3:00pm – 4:30pm	Ohio County Flooding Response Wayland Harris, Wheeling-Ohio County Health Department

Public Health Association (All)

Time	Event/Session
7:00pm – 9:00pm	WV Public Health Association Banquet Banquet includes the general membership meeting, election results, and the announcement of Public Health Hall of Fame Recipient, Steve Bayer Sanitarian Award, and Boss of the Year

Friday, September 19th

WV Public Health Association Closing Session (All)

Time	Event/Session
8:00am – 9:30am	Burnout and Beyond: Mental Health Realities in Public Health Careers Dr. Brandy Brown, Ph.D., OTD, OTR/L Dr. Kayleigh Nolan, Ph.D., OTR/L, SCLV, PMH-C, CPRP Skylar Pauley, MOT, OTR/L
9:30am – 10:00am	Break (refreshment provided in the exhibitor area)
10:00am – 11:30am	Burnout and Beyond: Mental Health Realities in Public Health Careers (Cont.)
11:30am – 12:00pm	Door Prize Drawing must be present to win.