

SPHVCC and ASTHO

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What's ASTHO?

- “The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) is the national nonprofit organization representing the state and territorial public health agencies of the United States, the U.S. Territories, and the District of Columbia. ASTHO's members, the chief health officials of these jurisdictions, are dedicated to formulating and influencing sound public health policy, and to assuring excellence in state-based public health practice.” www.astho.org

ASTHO affiliates

- 17 affiliates, most much larger than SPHVCC.
- Works on advocacy in DC on health issues.
- Seeks to retain and enhance funding for health programs, usually big bucks!
- Special studies, programs and publications on many health issues.

SPHVCC and ASTHO

- SPHVCC has been affiliate for ca. 10 yrs.
- I monitor conference calls and participate in discussions on advocacy issues of interest to SPHVCC.
- WNV funding is our main issue...it's very small potatoes to ASTHO!
- SPHVCC has supported some ASTHO initiatives.
- Monitor ASTHO "Environmental Health News."

Special projects

- “Public health confronts the mosquito”
2005
- Funded by CDC
- 17 organizations represented on panel.
- Widely used by local governments to start and evaluate mosquito/vdb programs.
- On web at: www.astho.org

New project

- Follow-up to 2005 report
- Also CDC funded
- “Emergency Vector Control in Communities with Limited Resources”
- Guide for emergency mc/vbd responses.
- How to and planning ahead.
- Due in June.