May 6: The Academy, along with sixty-one members of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), signed onto a letter urging Congress to take action on top legislative priorities that impact nursing education, practice, and research. Read more.

May 11: The Academy, along with fifty-eight members of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), signed onto written testimony submitted to the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education. The testimony featured the coalition's funding requests of $530 million for the Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs and $210 million for the National Institute of Nursing Research for Fiscal Year 2023. Read the House and Senate testimony.

May 19: The Academy offered comments to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services regarding the development of the 2022 Environmental Justice Strategy and Implementation Plan which will serve as a guide to confront environmental and health disparities that will serve vulnerable populations and communities disproportionately impacted by environmental burdens. Read more.

May 25: The Academy submitted comments to the White House Environmental Justice Advisory Council (WHEJAC) regarding federal disaster preparedness, relief, and community resilience which will provide advice and recommendations about broad cross-cutting issues, related but not limited to, issues of environmental justice and pollution reduction, energy, climate change mitigation and resiliency, environmental health, and racial inequity. Read more.

June 6: The Academy, along with eight other nursing organizations, signed a letter to Representatives Courtney and Walberg in support of H.R. 6087, the Improving Access to Workers' Compensation for Injured Federal Workers Act. This legislation would remove barriers in the Federal Employees’ Compensation Act (FECA) that limit the ability of NPs to provide care and treatment for injured or ill federal employees. Read more.
Finding Gain in the Losses: Strategic Solutions to the Mental and Behavioral Health Crisis in Children and Youth

Hosted by the Child, Adolescent, and Family Expert Panel, in collaboration with the Expert Panels on Psychiatric, Mental Health & Substance Use and Violence

2022 POLICY DIALOGUE SERIES
JUNE 29, 2022

Finding Gain in the Losses: Strategic Solutions to the Mental and Behavioral Health Crisis in Children and Youth - June 29, 2022
Policy Priority: Promote Innovation and Sustainability

The Child, Adolescent, and Family Expert Panel, in collaboration with the Expert Panels on Psychiatric, Mental Health, and Substance Use and Violence, will address strategies and best practices to mitigate the effects of the national crisis of chronic stress on children, youth, and families, explore the impact of nursing on mental health resources, and address these policy implications.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE 2022-2023 POLICY DIALOGUES

FELLOW OPPORTUNITIES

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

- HRSA has a number of new research funding initiatives and opportunities that are available for submission. View all funding opportunities.

National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)

- NINR is seeking applications from outstanding candidates for Clinical Director, Division of Intramural Research (DIR). This position is part of the NINR senior leadership team and reports directly to the NINR Director. Read More.
- NINR has a number of new funding initiatives and opportunities that are available for submission. To help the process, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) released a Guide Notice for submissions.

The National Clinical Scholars Program (NCSP)

- The NCSP offers an innovative two-year, postdoctoral interprofessional training program in leadership and research, preparing them for a wide range of careers. The program builds upon the legacy of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars program, providing mentored training and supporting the development of change agents who will devote their careers to leading improvements in health, health care, and health equity. The NCSP online application is open and the deadline to submit is July 15, 2022. Admitted applicants will enter the program in July 2023.

Please join current scholars and program directors for information sessions on the following dates:
American Journal Public Health
The May issue of AJPH includes a featured section on violence against public health officials, specifically during the COVID-19 pandemic. Not only addressing violence against individuals, select articles address the assault on and politicization of the public health field.

- Podcast: "Professor Zena Stein (1922-2021): Epidemiologist And Public Health Activist"
- Public Health Across the Political Spectrum for All
- Harassment of Health Officials: A Significant Threat to the Public's Health
- Unanticipated Pandemic Outcomes: The Assault on Public Health
- The Politicization of Public Health and the Impact on Health Officials and the Workforce: Charting a Path Forward
- Pandemic-Related Workplace Violence and Its Impact on Public Health Officials, March 2020 - January 2021
- Financial Hardships Caused by Out-of-Pocket Abortion Costs in Texas, 2018
- Pursuing an Evidence-Informed Approach to the Prevention of Gun Violence

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM)

- News Release: "Tackling the Challenges of Our Time Requires All of Us to Be at the Table” Read more here.
- News Release: “Science Academies Call on G-7 Governments to Take Urgent Action to Accelerate Decarbonization, Develop Antiviral Drugs to Increase Pandemic Preparedness, Address Other Global Challenges” Read more here.
- Accelerating the Use of Findings from Patient-Centered Outcomes Research in Clinical Practice to Improve Health and Health Care: A Workshop Series
  **Date:** June 9 and 17, 2022
  The series of public workshops will explore potential ways to accelerate the use of patient-centered outcomes research (PCOR) findings in clinical practice to improve health and health care. [Register Here.](#)
- Suicide Prevention in Indigenous Communities: A Virtual Workshop-Webinar 3
  **Date:** June 10, 2022
  Indigenous communities experience higher risks for suicide and self-harm compared to the general U.S. population. Suicide is the second leading cause of death among Indigenous children and young adults. This workshop will discuss the current challenges, gaps, and opportunities for action to decrease suicide rates in Indigenous Communities. [Find more here.](#)
• **Report Release Webinar: Improving the CDC Quarantine Station Network's Response to Emerging Threats**
  **Date:** June 10, 2022
  The report assesses the legal authority, activities, and operational capacity of the Centers for Disease Control’s Quarantine Station Network. The report was developed by a committee of experts from across sectors (e.g., government, academia, and health care) to inform the Division of Global Migration and Quarantine and facilitate its efforts to mitigate transmission of infectious diseases.

• **Exploring the Use and Application of Implementation Science in Health Professions Education: A Workshop**
  **Date:** June 14-15, 2022
  The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine will conduct a workshop to explore the use and application of implementation science in health professions education. [Register Here.](#)

• **Population Health Funding and Accountability to Community: A Workshop**
  **Date:** June 22, 2022
  Join us as we explore the evolution in approaches to financing population health improvement efforts, including activities that target social, economic, and environmental factors that shape health and health equity. This event will include presentations and discussions about accountability frameworks that link investments to community needs and endeavor to track and improve health outcomes. [Register Here.](#)

• **Advancing Progress in Cancer Prevention and Risk Reduction: A Workshop**
  **Date:** June 27 and 28, 2022
  On June 27 and 28, 2022, the National Cancer Policy Forum will host a public workshop that will consider the current state of knowledge regarding risk factors for cancer and strategies for interventions across multiple levels to reduce cancer risk. [Register Here.](#)

• **Using Innovative Data Science Approaches to Identify Individuals, Populations, and Communities at High Risk for Suicide: A Workshop - Webinar 3**
  **Date:** June 30, 2022
  This series explores the use of artificial intelligence (AI)/machine learning (ML) algorithms to inform upstream suicide prevention efforts at the individual, community, and population level. The second webinar of this series will focus on risks, gaps, barriers, and opportunities for action and improvement of AI/ML algorithms used to assess suicide risk. [Register Here.](#)

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**National Academy of Medicine (NAM)**

• **Statement by NAM President Victor J. Dzau in Response to Multiple Mass Shootings in May 2022**

• NAM will host “Release Event: National Plan for Health Workforce Well-Being” on June 24 from 11:00am-12:00pm EST. Find out more [here.](#)
  - NAM Provides Opportunity for Public to Inform National Plan for Health Workforce Well-Being

• NAM hosted “Report Release Webinar: Global Roadmap for Healthy Longevity” on June 3 from 10:00-11:00am EST. Find out more [here.](#)
  - New Report from the National Academy of Medicine Provides Paths To Ensure Aging, Intergenerational Societies are Poised to Thrive by 2050

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**ADMINISTRATION ACTIVITIES**

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**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**
Update on Children with Acute Hepatitis of Unknown Cause
CDC and Health Partners Responding to Monkeypox Case in the U.S.
CDC Strengthens Recommendations and Expands Eligibility for COVID-19 Booster Shots
Transcript for Vital Signs Telebriefing: Firearm deaths show historic increase
CDC Media Telebriefing: Update on 2022 U.S. Monkeypox Investigation
A CDC food safety alert regarding a multistate outbreak of Salmonella Senftenberg infections
CDC releases draft cancer cluster guidelines for public comment
CDC Awards $215 Million in Funding to Advance National Cancer Prevention and Control toward Cancer Moonshot Goals
CDC Rescinds Order Requiring Negative Pre-Departure COVID-19 Test Prior to Flight to the U.S.

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

CMS Unveils More User-Friendly Medicare Website
CMS Releases Analysis on 2022 Medicare Part B Premium Reexamination
HHS Extends American Rescue Plan Spending Deadline for States to Expand and Enhance Home- and Community-Based Services for People with Medicaid

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS)

HHS Announces $2 Million Funding Opportunity to Establish National Center of Excellence on Social Media and Mental Wellness
HHS Announces Its First-Ever Behavioral Health Recovery Innovation Challenge
$1 Million LymeX Diagnostics Prize Launches to Improve Lyme Disease Testing
Biden Administration Announces $1.5 Billion Funding Opportunity for State Opioid Response Grant Program
Statement from HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra on FDA and CDC Expanding Eligibility for Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine Boosters for 5-11 Year Olds
DOJ, Joined by HHS, Announce New Initiatives to Address and Prevent Hate Crimes and Hate Incidents
HHS Secretary Becerra Invokes Defense Production Act to Accelerate Delivery of Raw Materials and More Needed to Manufacture Infant Formula
New Surgeon General Advisory Sounds Alarm on Health Worker Burnout and Resignation
Assistant Secretary for Global Affairs Loyce Pace Delivers Remarks to the 75th World Health Assembly
HHS Leaders Urge States to Maximize Efforts to Support Children's Mental Health
HHS Secretary Becerra Establishes ARPA-H within NIH, Names Adam H. Russell, D.Phil. Acting Deputy Director
HHS Applauds 12-Month Postpartum Expansion in California, Florida, Kentucky, and Oregon
Biden-Harris Administration Establishes HHS Office of Environmental Justice
IHS Allocates $700 Million From President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to Improve Tribal Water and Sanitation Systems
Statements by HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra and HHS Principals on Pride Month
HHS Issues Recommendations to Improve Care for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs
Treasury Releases Social Security and Medicare Trustees Reports
HHS Extends American Rescue Plan Spending Deadline for States to Expand and Enhance Home- and Community-Based Services for People with Medicaid
HHS Invests Nearly $15 Million to Prevent and Treat Stimulant Use in Rural Communities
HHS Announces National Competition to Spark Innovation that Will Improve Patient Access to Primary Care
Statement by HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra Reaffirming HHS Support and Protection for LGBTQI+ Children and Youth
Statement from HHS Secretary Becerra on the CDC Decision to Rescind the Order Requiring Pre-Departure COVID-19 Testing Prior to Flight to the U.S.
HHS Issues Guidance on HIPAA and Audio-Only Telehealth

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

New FDA Draft Guidance Aims to Increase Safety Information About Dietary Supplement Marketplace
- FDA Urges Drug Manufacturers to Develop Risk Management Plans to Promote a Stronger, Resilient Drug Supply Chain
- FDA Efforts to Result in Millions of Additional Bottles of Infant Formula to Further Increase U.S. Supply
- FDA Launches New Dietary Supplement Education Initiative for Consumers, Educators, and Healthcare Professionals
- FDA Launches Campaign Aimed at Preventing E-Cigarette Use Among American Indian/Alaska Native Youth

National Institute of Health (NIH)

- NIH released a media advisory titled “Depression, loneliness associated with increased hospitalization risk after COVID-19, NIH-funded study suggests”
- NIH released a news release titled “NIH announces antiviral drug development awards”
- NIH released a news release titled “Cancer death rates among Black people declined over time, but remain higher than other racial and ethnic groups”
- NIH released a news release titled “NIH-supported study links poor sleep to increased risk of COPD flare-ups”

National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

- NIDA has a number of new priority research areas that are available for submission.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

- Biden Administration Announces $1.5 Billion Funding Opportunity for State Opioid Response Grant Program
- HHS Leaders Urge States to Maximize Efforts to Support Children’s Mental Health

Based on previous positions taken by the Academy, the following scan is meant for informational purposes and does not directly translate to Academy endorsement. Links provided allow you to watch the recordings and read witness testimony.

House Committee on Education & Labor

- May 18: Markup: “H.R. 604, the Reopen and Rebuild America’s Schools Act (RRASA); H.R. 7701, the Wage Theft Prevention and Wage Recovery Act; H.R. 5407, the Enhancing Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Through Campus Planning Act; H.R. 6493, the Campus Prevention and Recovery Services for Students Act of 2022; H.R. 7780, Mental Health Matters Act
- May 25: Subcommittee Hearing: Examining the Policies and Priorities of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration

House Committee on Energy & Commerce

- May 25: Hearing on “Formula Safety and Supply: Protecting the Health of America’s Babies”

House Committee on Veteran Affairs

- June 15: Reviewing President Biden’s Strategy To Reduce Veteran Suicide By Addressing Economic Risk Factors
Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor & Pensions

- May 26: Full Committee Hearing: Infant Formula Crisis: Addressing the Shortage and Getting Formula On Shelves

Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs

- June 14: Review of the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget and 2024 Advance Appropriations Requests for the Department of Veterans Affairs

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