



**LOUISIANA PUBLIC HEALTH
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PROCEDURE MANUAL**

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INTRODUCTION

This MANUAL has been updated to fill a recognized need in the operations of the Louisiana Public Health Association. In an organization such as ours, which has neither full-time nor part-time paid staff, a manual of this type is the simplest and most effective method for passing on, from year to year, to the newly elected officers and committee members, the basic information pertinent to the duties and responsibilities of the various positions. In some instances new officers and committee members have had no previous acquaintance with the operations of our Association.

The Constitution and By-Laws of our Association describe the basic responsibilities of the Governing Council and the principal officers. However, the practical procedures of operation by which these basic duties and responsibilities have become reutilized, are to be found only in the files of our Association, and in the minutes of the proceedings of the Governing Council. These sources, plus the verbal transmission of information, have, in the past, served as an unassembled set of policies for the guidance of the officers in the routine operation of the Association. This MANUAL is an attempt to assemble such material in a more usable form, since it is obvious that it becomes more and more impractical each succeeding year for the officers to review all past records.

It shall be the responsibility of the Procedure Manual Committee Chairperson to maintain this MANUAL in an up-to-date form.

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SKETCHES FROM A RESEARCH ADVENTURE INTO THE PUBLIC HEALTH HISTORY OF LOUISIANA

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The news that we in Louisiana had thoroughly documented the evidence that our State Board of Health was established 14 years prior to that of Massachusetts', that this Board has had continuous existence throughout the entire past 100 year period, even during the confused and discordant period of the Civil War, that it was not a city-state Board of Health as many thought, but, without reservations, a full-fledged state organization, and that its authority extended beyond that of Quarantine activities, all this sent a wave of dismay through certain quarters of our country where a myth had been perpetuated for many years that the heritage of public health development in America belonged to the northeast.

Our jubilation in Louisiana is not motivated by a sense of boasting and bluster, because we are well aware that every part of our country has contributed handsomely to the public health movement. We are, however, intent on setting the record straight in the matter of public health history in the United States, and we sincerely hope that every other state in the Union takes a similar stand on this matter.

No other, aspect of social life is more important than the health of the people. And those communities whose history relates progressive and significant steps in the direction of creating greater health protection for its people can justly be proud of such achievements.

In Louisiana, significant steps in the public health movement began early in its history. Many of the physicians who participated in this movement were not born in Louisiana. When the United States took over the Louisiana territory a century and a half ago, the strategic position of New Orleans as a commercial center soon captured the imagination of many restless and adventurous souls. The American economy was pushing the frontiers of community life in all directions west of the Atlantic Coast.

Thousands began streaming towards New Orleans, the fabulous city where wages were high and the tales about the possibilities of making great fortunes quickly fired the minds of our countrymen who were still, essentially, a pioneering people. No less effect did it have on the Europeans who were looking for an opportunity to live in an unshackled

world. In this increasing stream of immigration came many young American physicians to seek their professional fortunes. These, in collaboration with the local physicians of fine European training, made New Orleans a medical center of note well over a century ago.

One of the earliest personalities to come to Louisiana after its transfer to the United States to participate in its public health and medical history, and to leave his mark on Louisiana history was Dr. Jabez Wiggins Heustis, a medical officer with the United States Army, stationed in and around New Orleans during the War of 1812. After the War he wrote a lengthy treatise entitled "Physical Observations and Medical Tracts and Researches on the Topography and Diseases of Louisiana. He finished this in 1816, and it was published in New York in 1817. This was probably the first attempt by anyone in the history of the United States to describe in such detail and scholarship the health and disease characteristics of an area so large. Although born in Canada, Dr. Heustis returned to the south after the War and made his home in Alabama.

The most eminent personality in the public health history of Louisiana whose genius guided the struggle for the establishment of the Louisiana State Board of Health was Dr. Edward Hall Barton. He was the engineer and architect, the statesman and theoretician of organized public health in our state. He was nationally recognized as a great sanitarian. His conferees and co-workers were Dr. J.L. Riddell and Dr. Erasmus Darwin Penner, the former being one of the most fertile scientific minds in America in those pioneering days, and the latter, one of the great medical educators of the South.

In discussing yellow fever in 1832, Dr. Barton appears to have been the first in our country to professionally allude to the presence of unusual numbers of flies and mosquitoes during epidemic periods. Dr. Bass (*The School of Medicine of the Tulane University of Louisiana, C.C. Bass, New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal, Vol. 87, PP. 506-14, 1935) states: "It is interesting how positively, 1854 to 1857, he (Barton) associated yellow fever with the abundance of mosquitoes." He apparently preceded Pierre Louis, the great French physician, in first using medical statistics as an instrument in medical science. His first published account of this technique was in 1833. In 1835, he published his first study on health conditions in New Orleans. In the '40's and early '50's he served on the various New Orleans boards of health, which he fostered in the face of the City government's apathy. In 1850, he predicted catastrophic yellow fever epidemics for New Orleans if the City government would not organize its public health defenses. During the 1853 yellow fever disaster, he was appointed chairman of a commission to investigate the causes of the epidemic and to make Recommendations for prevention. One of his collaborators in the commission was Dr. Riddell. Another was Dr. Axson, who later became our second state health officer. The commission's report of 542 pages was a monument in the American public health movement. This was one of the very early major contributions to sanitary science in America, certainly the first to be recognized nationally and internationally, since the Sanitary Report of Shattuck in Massachusetts in 1850 was to remain buried in oblivion for several decades after its publication. Although the report recommended the establishment of a Board of Health for the City of New Orleans with adequate power to

act vigorously, it served the Louisiana State Legislature of 1855 as a major source of information for establishing, instead, a Louisiana State Board of Health. Dr. Barton was a member of this first board, of which Dr. Choppin was the President. He also was one of the Louisiana delegates to the Quarantine Convention in Philadelphia in May, 1857, of which he was elected a vice-president. He never returned from this mission, having taken sick during this return and dying in a small town in North Carolina.

Dr. Riddell was a man of wide scientific learning. He was an exceptional thinker in the physical and biological sciences, particularly the latter. In 1836, about a quarter of a century before Pasteur, in an article, on "The Nature of Miasma and Contagion", he clearly set forth the theory of microorganismal causation of communicable diseases, and experimentally demonstrated his refutation of the theory of spontaneous generation. In the same article, he alluded to the theory of evolution. In 1845, in a monograph on the "Constitution of Matter", he set forth the theory that the atom was divisible and was composed of smaller particles held together by physical forces, that there was a relationship between matter and energy, that both were indestructible, almost as if grappling with the Einstein concept of the equivalency of the two.

He also was the inventor of the binocular microscope. As a member of the 1853 Sanitary Commission of New Orleans, he was responsible for preparing that portion of the report entitled "City Sewerage."

This was the caliber of men, and there were others like Dr. Bennet Dowler and Dr. Erasmus Darwin Fenner, who helped set the stage for the development our State Board of Health. It might be asked: Granted, Louisiana established the first State Board of Health in the United States. But did this Board contribute anything of significance to public health science and practice in the United States? It would be of much interest on this occasion of the centennial anniversary of the Board to answer this question.

The contributions of the Board can be classified into two spheres, i.e., 1) The relationship of its members, its administrative functionaries, and those who were actively interested in the establishment of organized public health administration in Louisiana, to the development of medical education in Louisiana, and, 2) The contributions of the Board's activities to the development of public health practice. Let us consider the educational aspect first.

The development of public health in Louisiana cannot be separated from the development of medical education, the publication of medical literature, and the progress of medical care at the Charity Hospital. One of the greatest medical sanitarians of America, Dr. Barton, cited above, was one of the founders of the Medical College of Louisiana (Tulane School of Medicine). His introductory lecture to the first Tulane class in 1835 was entitled "The Climate and Salubrity of New Orleans; and its Suitability for a Medical School. Dr. Barton's struggle for organized public health in Louisiana was an epic in itself. He became the third Dean of the Medical School, 1836 to 1840, serving at first as Professor of Materia Medica and Therapeutics and later as Professor of Theory and Practice of medicine. Dr. Gustavus Adolphus Nott, the fourth

President of the Louisiana State Board of Health (1861-62) was the eleventh Dean of the Tulane School of Medicine from 1849 to 1852 when the school had already become a state institution under the name of Medical Department of the University of Louisiana. Beginning as Professor of Anatomy, he later became professor of Chemistry. He was one of our great natural scientists and epidemiological theorist.

In May, 1856, another school, the New Orleans School of Medicine, was organized. Among the organizers of this school were 3 eminent medical Sanitarians, Dr. E. D. Fenner, Dr. S. P. Choppin, and Dr. A. F. Axson. Dr. Fenner, a close friend and collaborator of Dr. Barton, fought side by side with his friend for years for public health organization in New Orleans. He was the first Dean of the new medical school and its Professor of Theory and Practice of Medicine. He, with Dr. Abner Hester (an active organizer of public health in New Orleans) founded in 1844 the New Orleans Medical Journal (now the Medical Journal of the Louisiana State Medical Society). Dr. Fenner was also the founder and editor of the Southern Medical Reports, which was issued for two years, 1849 and 1850, and which contained a treasure of public health information about Louisiana. Dr. Samuel P. Choppin was one of the great surgeons of the South during those early days. He served twice as President of the Louisiana State Board of Health, once at its founding in 1855, and again during the period of 1877-79. He was a demonstrator of anatomy at Tulane in 1853, the first professor of surgery at the New Orleans School of Medicine, and House Surgeon at Charity Hospital for a good part of the 1850's, during which time he introduced many progressive changes in hospital administration. In 1855, he and several colleagues started the publication of a weekly medical journal entitled "New Orleans News and Hospital Gazette".

Dr. A. Forster Axson was an eminent epidemiological theoretician, served for four years, 1856-59, as the second President of the Louisiana State Board of Health, was an active public health participant in every New Orleans epidemic from 1847 to 1878, and was the first Professor of Physiology at the New Orleans School of Medicine.

Dr. Stanford Emerson Chaille was the 15th Dean of the Tulane School of Medicine. He held that position longer than any other dean, i.e., from 1885 to 1908. He was Professor of Physiology and Pathological Anatomy from 1868 to 1890, and from then to his retirement was Professor of Physiology, Hygiene, and Pathological Anatomy. Not only was he the first specialized teacher of public health at Tulane, but also one of the most prolific writers of Hygiene and Public Health in Louisiana history, and a sanguine participant in these matters. He was co-owner and co-editor of the New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal from 1857 to 1868. Dr. Chaille and Dr. S. M. Bemiss, professor of Theory and Practice of Medicine at Tulane, 1866 to 1884, and member of the Louisiana State Board of Health in 1874, served together as members of the National Board of Health, which was created by Congress in 1878. Both also served on the Havana Yellow Fever Commission appointed in 1879, of which Dr. Chaille was president and Dr. Rudolph Matas, the great teacher and professor of Surgery, 1894 to 1927, and translator of Carlos Finlay's article on the transmission of yellow fever by the *Aedes aegypti* mosquito in 1881, was secretary. The latter was editor of the New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal from 1883 to 1890.

The Tulane School of Medicine was one of the Pioneers in the United States in the teaching and developing of medical chemistry and microbiology. Besides such great teachers of medical chemistry as Riddell, (and Dr. I. L. Crawcour of the New Orleans School of Medicine), Dr. Joseph Jones, one of the truly brilliant Presidents of the Louisiana State Board of Health, 1880 to 1884, was, with equal eminence, Professor of Chemistry at Tulane for the long period from 1869 to 1893. Dr. P. E. Archinard, the Director of the Bacteriological Laboratory of the Louisiana State Board of Health from its founding in 1894 (the first State Board of Health bacteriological diagnostic laboratory in the United States) was also a long-time member of the Tulane medical staff and co-editor, with Dr. Matas and Dr. Bemiss, of the New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal from 1884 to 1890. This is also true for his successors in the laboratory, Dr. W. H. Seeman, Professor of Hygiene from 1918 to 1938, and Dr. George H. Hauser, present director.

Among other State Health Officers of Louisiana who were identified with the Tulane Medical School are Dr. Edmond Souchon, President of the State Board of Health from 1898 to 1905, and also long-time Professor of Anatomy; Dr. Oscar Dowling, President of the State Board of Health from 1910 to 1928, and Professor of Hygiene from 1919 to 1931; Dr. John H. Musser, President of the Board from 1940 to 1942, editor-in-chief of the New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal from 1927 to 1947, and Professor of Medicine at Tulane from 1924 until his death in 1947; Dr. Waldo L. Treuting, President of the Board from 1946 to 1948, and Professor of Public Health Administration since that time.

Dr. George E. Burch, successor to Dr. Musser as Professor of Medicine, has been a member of the State Board of Health since 1952. Many more excellent contributors to public health in Louisiana have been and still are identified with medical education and organization in Louisiana.

A more distinguished history in medical education no group identified with public health could hope for. Now let us scan the Board's history of practical achievements. A complete history in such matters is obviously too extensive for this paper, therefore, only those achievements, which were important as "firsts", will be noted.

In 1858, the records show that Dr. A. Forster Axson, President of the Board, distributed smallpox vaccine to the physicians in the state on a small scale. This was the first such act by any state board of health in our country. In fact, there still were no other such boards yet in existence.

Due to the large number of accidental injuries and deaths from "coal oil" explosions, and the need for controlling the purity of milk, Dr. C. B. White, the State Health Officer, enlisted the aid of Dr. A. W. Perry in 1869 to help in the laboratory investigation of these products. In 1870, a sum of \$480.00 was spent to outfit a laboratory, and Dr. S.S. Herrick was given the duty of examining the specimens brought to the laboratory. This

was the first chemical laboratory ever set up by any State Board of Health in the United States.

In 1872, our State Health Officer, Dr C. B. White, collaborated with Dr. Stephen Smith of New York, and several other medical sanitarians in organizing the American Public Health Association.

In 1879, with guidance from Dr. C. B. White (at that time, a private citizen) and Mr. Edward Fenner, an eminent non-medical sanitarian, the New Orleans Auxiliary Sanitary Association was organized to help the State Board of Health carry out its sanitary program in New Orleans. This was, as far as the writer knows, the first local health council organized in the United States by a group of citizens intent on making their community a healthier place in which to live. This group was forced into action because of the apathy of the New Orleans City Council toward health. From the rostrum of the annual meetings of the American Public Health Association, various public health leaders urged their fellow members to emulate their New Orleanian brothers.

In 1879, in order to facilitate the administration of quarantine, the State Board of Health., under Dr. Choppin, appointed a physician to be stationed at the Bay Islands off Spanish Honduras with the duty of observing and reporting on health conditions in tropical fruit ports in order to give warning of first indications of danger from vessels coming to the United States from these foreign ports. Soon the other Gulf States followed the lead of Louisiana, and shortly thereafter the United States Public Health Service adopted this new and improved technique in the administration of quarantine.

In April 1894, the State Board of Health under its president, Dr. S. R. Olliphant established the first State Board of Health Diagnostic bacteriological laboratory in the United States. In the 61 years that have elapsed, this laboratory has had only three directors, each one a master in his work, namely, Dr. P. E. Archinard from 1894 to 1912; Dr. W. H. Seeman from 1912 to 1938; and Dr. George H. Hauser since 1938. No laboratory in the country has had a record of greater stability. And its record of achievement is outstanding.

In 1910, the enterprising Dr. Oscar Dowling, a publicist and health educator par excellence, became State Health Officer. Well aware of the low level of health information, which harnessed the people to disability and early death, he immediately began a campaign of education that would blaze a trail of light through the tangle and underbrush of grandmother lotions and household remedies. He created the concept of the "Health Train" as his instrument of warfare against ignorance. He sold the idea to the Queen and Crescent Railroad, which fore with furnished him gratis an exhibit car, a living car, and an engine. The exhibit car he fitted out as a veritable museum of anatomy, pathology, physiology and the other "ologies" of medical science of that day which could serve as a lesson to the people. Some of the most eminent physicians in New Orleans contributed to this museum on wheels. Dr. Edmond Souchon furnished the tuberculosis exhibit from his famous museum of anatomy at the Tulane Medical School. Dr. Charles W. Duval furnished pathological specimens and also culture plates

from flies' feet. Dr. P. T. Talbot's splendid collection of charts and pictures relating to sanitation were included. From the U. S. Public Health Service Hygienic Laboratory, a model of Dr. Charles W. Stiles' sanitary privy was obtained. Displays on food, nutrition, dental care, dairies and dairy equipment, all types of laboratory testing devices, models of desks for school children, and literature on hygiene were included. The anti-Tuberculosis League helped in taking posters everywhere.

The Health Train left New Orleans for the first time on Nov. 5, 1910. A crew of demonstrators, lecturers, and inspectors accompanied the train into every town, village, and crossroads for the state to drive home the principle of prevention.

So successful was the new approach to health education, that the American Medical Association invited Dr. Dowling to exhibit the health train at its Los Angeles meeting, June 27-30, 1911. This was done with great fanfare.

In August 1912, the whole exhibit was reconstructed, and an Educational Hygiene Exhibit Car No. 2 was added. The new set-up was organized to point out six essential aspects of public and personal hygiene: 1) Care of Baby; 2) School and Home Hygiene; 3) Community Hygiene; 4) Pure Food; 5) Disease Prevention; and 6) Health Promotion.

During 1912-13, invitations for the health train were received from 16 organizations in as many states. As a result, the train traveled far and wide over the country. Some of these places included Washington, D. C.; Meridian, Mississippi; Birmingham, Montgomery and Mobile, Alabama; Atlanta, Georgia; Spartanburg, South Carolina; Greenville, North Carolina; Lynchburg, Virginia; Louisville, Kentucky; Little Rock, Arkansas; Peoria, Illinois; and Lincoln, Nebraska.

This novel and effective method of public health education caught the imagination of health workers everywhere, and soon similar health trains were set-up in other states, and were used with telling effect. In Louisiana, the health train carried its message of public health to the people for many years, even serving as an inservice traveling field-training unit for sanitary inspectors. Soon after Dr. Dowling's term of office ended in 1928, the health train ceased to function.

In 1912, the State Board of Health, straining under the progressive and lively leadership of Dr. Oscar Dowling, and his assistant health educator, the petite human dynamo, Miss Agnes Morris, created the Bureau of Child Hygiene with the latter as the director. This was the first such Bureau established by any state board of health, being created the same year as the Children's Bureau of the Federal government.

In 1914, Dr. Dowling employed Reverend Joseph Leach, a silver-tongued health educator. This was the first time in the United States that a State Board of Health employed a Negro health educator.

In 1942, by the instigation of the State Health Department, a State Interdepartmental Committee was created for developing coordination of health and social services

rendered by state agencies. This was the first such committee created in the United States, and preceded the New York Committee by 4 years.

In 1947, for-the first time in our country, our State Board of Health created a section of medical social services. These are only some of the highlights in the history of our State Board of Health, which indicate the progressive leadership, which it has had during many years of its century of existence. On the occasion of our centennial, it would probably be of interest to recount the story of how it came to pass that we began to delve into the history of our State Board of Health, and how this pursuit led us into a chain of circumstances well akin to a Sherlock Holmes tale.

The story really has no beginning, since the raconteur of this tale has been interested in history for many years before studying medicine. Interest in the history of the State Board of Health therefore crept up almost naturally, and data from various sources, which happened to come his way, were automatically filed away for future reference. Several other kindred souls with long terms of service in the department shed light from time to time on the road back. Thus, circumstances appeared to favor this adventure into the past.

It is often opinioned that an interest and pride in one's past social history is a symptom that the social group is becoming fossilized and losing ground in the present struggle, or that it may be due to a revival of spirit in the contentions of the present, using the glories of the past as a rousing, rallying point to action. An examination of the history of public health in Louisiana will assuredly prove the latter to be true. There have been several such waves in our past history, one during the quarter century before the Civil War, and one during, the last quarter of the 19th century. We are again on the incline toward another crest. Surely, the history of progress proceeds as waves, and the present wave began in the Rooseveltian period of the middle thirties.

The establishment of the Louisiana State Board of Health in 1855,¹ placed this Board in a Position of receiving and accumulating much historical data relating to public health development in the United States. This material was accumulated over a long period of time from annual reports issued by other state boards of health as they came into being, from federal government reports, from old journals, from old scrap books, pamphlets and the like. Such materials, luckily were looked upon by the long succession of state health officers as valuable and desirable to preserve. A major misfortune, however, almost occurred around 1930, when one state health officer, with less appreciation of this treasure, deposited much of this material in the basement of the courthouse, allowing only some of the annual reports of our own board to remain as a small library in his office. He disposed of, in a rather ungracious manner, what he considered a cluttering excess of impedimenta. What was lost is unknown, but what remained has been a source of great fortune to some of us, and has served as a nucleus for our present fine and ever growing State Department of Health Library.

When the present site of our Public Health Training Center was chosen, the building space was adequate to envisage the development of a modern public health library. This was an exciting thought, and permission was given to go ahead. The basement of

the courthouse where the materials were stored was literally raided with the spirit of treasure hunters. We were not disappointed. Besides much unbound materials, about 3,000 old volumes of historical value were rescued and reconditioned. The library at present has well over 8,000 volumes, most of which relate to what is at present considered "public health" subjects, and little of what is considered purely "medical", (there being no need for a large medical library since New Orleans already has two fine medical libraries at the medical schools).

With such materials at hand and with the spirit of progress in our hearts, the search into our past became feverish, at first in a helter-skelter manner and then with design. We had known that in 1855 an act was passed creating a Board of Health. In a brochure published in 1904, entitled "History and Work of the Louisiana State Board of Health", written by an eminent public health physician, Dr. G. Farrar Patton, Secretary of the Board of Health, there was stated that the present State board was organized under Act 192 of 1898 in obedience of Article 296 of the new constitution adopted that year, and in the exercise of State functions is the legal successor of the joint State and City Board of Health created by Act 336 of 1855, just after the two appalling yellow fever epidemics of 1853 and 1854. This clearly meant that the 1855 Board was not really a State Board of Health. It was, of course, natural that our pride in our institution should urge us, upon reflection, to feel a pang of regret that ours was not the first State Board of Health, and, at the same time, should rouse our hopes that maybe a misconception had been made in past researches in this problem. A thorough study of the 1855 Act was the only way to settle our minds on this issue. A photostatic copy of the Act was obtained. The first reading of it electrified us. We could find no mention of it's being anything other than a Louisiana State Board of Health. But then we settled down to studying it word for word, phrase by phrase, and section by section through the entire 29 sections. Our hopes were finally consummated. There was no doubt that what title of the Act declared as to the legal status of the Board, to wit: "To establish quarantine for the protection of the State", was precisely defined in Section 27 of the Act, to wit: "Be it further enacted... that the Board of Health and their successors is hereby created a body corporate, under the name of the Board of Health of the State of Louisiana, to sue and be sued under that title". And further, the history of the subsequent Acts passed between 1855 and 1898, showed conclusively that the Board was more than a quarantine agency.² In fact, in this 43-year interval, at least 16 Acts³ were passed extending the function of the board far beyond those of the original Act. The fact that the Board was endowed mostly with advisory functions relating to sanitation in New Orleans, in no way altered its legal status as a state agency. Somewhat later, a study of the Journals of the Louisiana State House of Representatives and Senate of 1854 and 1855, the Majority and Minority reports of the Joint Committee on Public Health for these years, and the message of Governor Hebert pleading for protection of the State, confirmed the "state" nature of the Board. Act 192 of 1898, resulting from the adoption of, a new state constitution, changed the predominantly advisory function of the Board to supervisory and regulatory.

Our reaches were really just beginning. It was not enough to establish that the Board was created in 1855, but also to show that it had continuous existence down to the

present time. From a previous study of our materials, this presented a formidable task. We approached it with much doubt and a feeling of perplexity. Most of the pre-Civil War annual reports of the Board and several post-Civil War reports were missing, and we had no immediate clue to direct us.

The misfortune of the great economic depression of the 30's had turned, for us, into a great fortune. The American Imprints Inventory of the WPA Historical Records Survey Program, dated February 1942, compiled an outline of information on the Louisiana State Board of Health. As a result, we were able to obtain from the library of the University of Illinois photostatic copies of the 1855 and 1860 reports, from the Louisiana State University Library a photostat of the 1861 report, and from the Howard Tilton Library at Tulane University, photostatic copies of the reports of 1856, 1858, 1859 and 1866. The WPA outline also informed us that no reports had been issued for the years of 1862-1865 (Civil War period), 1868, 1876, and 1934-1939. The remaining reports were already in our possession. This put new life into our efforts and opened up new clues in this unraveling drama (for indeed it was a drama to us).

The second paragraph of the report for the year of 1866, the first post-Civil War year of the Board's operation, contained the following significant information: "Since the military occupation of the City of New Orleans* by the U. S. forces, the property of the Board had been in their possession, and the quarantine laws of the State had been administered by a Board and Resident Physicians appointed by the Commanding General. As soon as the Board was organized, notice of the fact was given to the Governor, and he was requested to take such steps as he deemed necessary to cause the property of the Board to be turned over to it. A correspondence ensued between the Governor and the Commanding General, and an order was issued by the latter for the property and archives of the Board to be turned over. A very small portion of the old records and a very small quantity of movable property was turned over and received by the Board". What a lead that was! Could it be possible that the Board, appointed by the military, had continued to operate throughout the Civil War under the provisions of the Act of 1855? That, at least, is what the above quotation meant to us. If it had continued to operate: Who were the State Health Officers, i.e., the presidents of the Board during this period?

A letter was immediately dispatched to the Department of the Army in Washington, D. C., requesting information on these matters. The Department of the Army referred our letter to the National Archives division of the General Services Administration. The latter⁴ replied, among other things, that much information is available in the National Archives "relating to the subject of public health and Sanitation in Louisiana during the Civil War period," and that "the following officers served as Medical Directors of the Department of the Gulf:

Name

Thomas H. Bache	March 20, 1862
Charles R. McCormack	August 13, 1862

The records show that Lieutenant Colonel Richard H. Alexander was Medical Director of the Department of the Gulf and President of the Board of Health in September 1865; and there is no evidence that anyone else occupied the position of Medical Director during the period from December 1862 to September 1865. (New Orleans was the legal domicile of the State Board of Health at that time and still is.)

An outside observer would have imagined that really something big had happened if they could have seen us react to this information. The most difficult gap in the train of our data had been closed. The Board of Health not only continued to function during the military occupation but even the names of the State Health Officers were at hand.

This information was further confirmed by an article appearing in the Bulletin of the New York Academy of Medicine, September 1865, and reprinted in Southern Journal of the Medical Sciences, Vol. 1, 1866-67. This was an address delivered before the aforementioned Academy of Medicine by the great public health pioneer, Dr. Elisha Harris who was a member of the "United States Sanitary Commission" which made a sanitary survey in the New Orleans area immediately after the war. The following quotations confirm our premise: "The Medical Director of the Department (of the Gulf) acted as the official sanitary counselor, and was President of the Board of Health." "There was no special military regulations to maintain the cleanliness of New Orleans. The ordinances that the local Civil Authorities passed before the rebellion were rigorously enforced..." It was clear from this article, therefore, that the Board continued to exist, and that the President of the Board continued to operate under the existing laws.

Next it became necessary to determine whether the Board had continued to operate in the years of 1868 and 1876, when no annual reports were issued, and if it did operate, who were the State Health Officers and why were no reports issued. The first logical approach to this problem was to study the reports of 1869 and 1877, for clues of what transpired in the previous years of 1868 and 1876. This approach was well rewarded. Information was available in these reports, especially in the financial statements, which showed to whom money was disbursed during each of the previous years. Thus, the names of the Health Officers for 1868 and 1876, and the compensation paid to them, was revealed.

"The probable reason that no report was written for the year of 1868, was intensification of the turmoil growing out of the struggle for power which was stimulated by the provisions of the Reconstruction Act, passed a year earlier. The radical Republicans came into power by their gubernatorial victory. Governor Warmouth appointed a new Board of Health on November 6, 1868. The old Board under Dr. Stokes A. Smith refused to resign, and a short but bitter period of litigation followed. During this interim, the new Board under Dr. Charles B. White, which was legally recognized on November 13, 1868, did not have the records to write a report for 1868, and the old Board in its

hostility did not write one. It has not been ascertained whether the old Board ever returned the records for 1868.”⁵

That no annual report was issued for the year of 1876, was due to the critical political conditions in the state and to the changeover of state health officers in the interim. In this year the Democrats chose Nicholls as Governor, but the Republican candidate claimed the election. Meanwhile, Republican Hayes was elected President of the United States. Civil War almost broke out anew in Louisiana. President Hayes sent a commission to Louisiana to settle the impasse. The rival legislatures finally united under Nicholls as Governor, and the following year, federal troops left Louisiana. During this struggle, the State Health Officer, Dr. White, gave up his office in July, 1876, to be succeeded within several weeks by a member of his Board, Dr. Felix B. Gaudet, whose term lasted until May, 1, 1877, when he was succeeded by Dr. Samuel Paul Choppin. The details of the antagonisms that may have been reflected into the State Board of Health from the State government are not available.”⁶ From the fact that the army of occupation appropriated much of our pre-Civil war records, and that the post-war turmoil and antagonism were not conducive to stable record keeping, it becomes understandable why much of the documentation of the Boards' early existence was scattered about.

Thus the continuity of the State Board of Health stands revealed from its origin in 1855 to 1877, and the details documented in the already cited article, “The-Louisiana State Board of Health, Established 1855.” From 1877 onward there is no need for tracing the continuity of the Boards' history since all the records are readily available. There is, however, one very intriguing aspect, which we have been considering, and which is in the process of being investigated. When the seat of the Louisiana government was moved to Opelousas and then to Shreveport as a war expediency, did Governor Moore or his successor Governor Allen also appoint a State Board of Health during the war years? We shall see what our researches turn up.

An interesting sidelight to our efforts relates to our picture gallery of State Health Officers. It had been the custom in our Department to obtain a picture of each State Health Officer after his term of office, frame it, and hang it next to whom he succeeded. When this custom started has not been determined, but a good number of the earlier officers were missing from our collection, possibly because records were not at hand who these officers were. Coincidentally, we had no pictures of those health officers whose annual reports had not been in our hands before our present research efforts. We had a picture of Dr. A. Forster Axson whose term extended from 1856 to 1859. His family was probably traced and the picture obtained because the report of 1857 had been among our retrieved records. We also had a picture of Dr. Samuel Paul Choppin who was the first president of our Board in 1855, because he later became president again from 1877 to 1879, and the reports of his later term were in our hands. But in order to complete our collection, it became necessary to obtain pictures of Dr. Charles Delery (1860); Dr. Gustavus A. Nott (1861-62); Dr. Thomas H. Bache (1862); Dr. Charles R. McCormack (1862); Dr. Richard H. Alexander (1862-66), Dr. Stokes A. Smith (1866-68); and Dr. Felix B. Gaudet (1876-77). This project became a major operation and not a too

encouraging one due to the vagueness and apprehension associated with tracing the families of the three wartime Health Officers whose homes must have been somewhere in the Northern States. If only we could obtain the pictures of our native sons, we would have felt our efforts to be successful.

Where to begin? We enlisted the aid of all the employees at the Public Health Training Center, and few from other divisions of the State Department of Health. In the meantime, the telephone directory seemed a quick and easy accessory. There were too many Smiths listed to make any headway in this direction. The few Notts listed gave sterile results. The Delerys listed were plentiful but the results were negative. The Gaudets listed were so plentiful that it presented a problem of where to start. One of our Gaudet employees told us that the Gaudet and the Gaudin families had intermarried and were pretty well intermixed, at the same time suggesting that we contact a particular Gaudin family in New Orleans from whom some information might be obtained. The lead was fruitful. We were referred to a great grand-niece well up in years who was most solicitous and who had a beautiful oil painting hanging on her wall of a most distinguished looking bearded gentleman, Dr. Felix B. Gaudet. She volunteered to will the picture to the Board of Health when she passed away. In the meantime we obtained a photograph of it.

This writer had a neighbor who was a remarkable woman. She was 82 years old, lived alone in a large apartment, was a strict vegetarian, played most of the classics on the piano, performing every day for her own pleasure and for those who would listen, was spry as a chick, and was the daughter of one of the most distinguished physicians in New Orleans during the latter part of the nineteenth and early twentieth century. Our problem was brought to her. She informed us that Dr. Delery had been at her wedding some 60 years previously and that she knew some descendant of the old gentleman. Sure enough her lead was correct, and we became enriched by another photograph and many old notes relating to Dr. Delery's biography. Her other leads bore no fruit.

Since Dr. Nott was prominent in the field of medical education a century ago, a search was made at the Tulane University Library for a photograph. In A. E. Fossier's book, "History of Medicine in New Orleans," such a photograph was found. This left only one civilian State Health Officer to trace, Dr. Stokes Anderson Smith. We were not very hopeful of ever obtaining pictures of the military State Health Officers. The search for Dr. Smith began and continued for an extended time, but every lead, and they were few, led into a blind alley.

In the meantime we decided that nothing would be lost if we wrote to the National Archives division of the General Services Administration in Washington, which had already been so helpful to us, and inquire about pictures of the Military State Health Officers. It goes to show that, in the pursuit of clues, no stone must be left unturned, for one can never tell in what unsuspecting nook a treasure may be hidden. Not only were we rewarded with a group picture of General Benjamin Butler and his staff, which included Dr. McCormack, but were informed that inquiry from the Army Medical Library may furnish us with further information on the other military medical officers. Indeed, the

Army Medical Library supplied us with a photograph of Dr. Alexander, and advised us that the records show that the College of Physicians of Philadelphia had a picture of Dr. Bache. This turned out to be so. The literal avalanche of success stimulated us almost beyond containment, but the mystery of Dr. Smith weighed heavily in the background.

One day, in perusing through Alcee Fortier's three volumes on Louisiana, the name of LeDoux E. Smith, in the biographical volume, arrested the writers attention. And sure enough, it stated that this twice-elected treasurer of the State of Louisiana a half century ago was the son of the former State Health Officer, and that Dr. Smith's home was in the environs of Alexandria, Louisiana.

Our State Nutrition Consultant who has a flare for the historical, a keen sense of values, and has attracted to her personal treasury many friends over the state whose connections with the old families are short of fabulous, volunteered to investigate this lead. She found that LeDoux E. Smith's son had moved to Dallas, Texas. Correspondence with the latter's wife revealed that Dr. Smith's estate, in much disrepair was located a few miles from LeCompte, a small town outside of Alexandria. Here she found a large oil painting of Dr. Smith. Her prowess with the camera soon brought her mission to a successful end. A picture was forthcoming and our collection was, at last complete.

Among the most satisfying features of this research was the re-discovery of the great stature of the medical men of Louisiana a century ago, their farsightedness, their humanitarianism, their contributions to medical education, their participation in local, state, and national public health activities, and their consistent battle for the creation and development of an effective public health service for the State of Louisiana.

Knowledge of the stature of these pioneers stimulated the Louisiana Public Health Association to perpetuate the names of some of these men in the form of annual awards. In 1950, the Association initiated a ceremony at its annual convention of recognizing a Louisiana Citizen, not employed in official health work, whose activities have contributed outstandingly to the development of public health in Louisiana. This ceremony is highlighted by the granting of a plaque which is designated as the "Axson-Choppin Memorial Award," in commemoration of the first two State Health Officers whose leadership, statesmanship and scholarship laid firmly the foundation of the Louisiana State Board of Health in its initial trying years of existence.

At the same time, a similar annual award of recognition was set up for members of the health department who have contributed over an extended period of time diligently, amply, and outstandingly to the work of the health department. This was designated as the "Dr. C. B. White Memorial Award in commemoration of the fine leadership, local and national, that Dr. White rendered as president of the State Board of Health, 1868-1876. He not only was one of the founders of the American Public Health Association in 1872, but was elected as its President in 1880, and also was medical director of the New Orleans Auxiliary Sanitary Association".

The Oscar Dowling Award to the newspaper in the state whose columns best contribute to the development of public health in its locality will be initiated next year. Dr. Dowling was the most famous publicist and public health-educator among all the State Health Officers.

Other Awards in memory of several other of our great public health forebears are now in the process of being developed.

Where has this research project in public health history led us? It has led us, first of all, to appreciate the tremendous effort that has been expended in creating the instrument by which we work today - The State Board of Health and its administrative organization, the State Department of Health. In the form of annual awards, it is developing an esprit de corps which every progressive organization requires to carry it forward with ever increasing energy. It is teaching us lessons which are broadening our perspective, towards our present tasks. It has stimulated us to initiate a project for compiling, as completely as possible, a history of public health in Louisiana.

But this is not all. The chain of events continued to grow. It led us to organize a centennial celebration for the 1955 annual conference of the Louisiana Public Health Association. In this buoyant atmosphere, we invited the Southern Branch of the American Public Health Association to meet with us, and anon the historical spirit permeated the latter association it thereby appointed a committee on the History of Public Health in the United States with leadership from Louisiana. This committee has been accepted with enthusiasm from points near and distant in our country. Whole-hearted agreement was expressed with the premise and purpose of the committee, to wit: that an adequate history of public health in the United States needs to be written, and, that the committee should develop a modus operandi by which this could be stimulated and accomplished. To add to this, the Louisiana State Medical Society recognized the occasion, and set aside part of the program of its annual meeting to commemorate this centennial.

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

The Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated

CONSTITUTION

Article I NAME

The name of this corporation shall be the Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated.

Article II OBJECT

This corporation is organized, and it shall be operated exclusively, to promote public health in the State of Louisiana. This is to be accomplished by:

- (a) Fostering acquaintance and mutual understanding among the persons interested in public health;
- (b) Supporting and sponsoring movements and policies tending to raise personnel standards, secure adequate income of workers, and promote security of tenure;
- (c) Stimulating progressive administration of public health work;
- (d) Assisting in the development of better health facilities in the state;
- (e) Keeping abreast of progress in the field of public health;
- (f) Enhancing the prestige of public health work as a career.

Article III MEMBERSHIP

This corporation is organized on a non-stock basis and individuals may become a member by paying annual dues.

Article IV OFFICERS

The officers of this corporation shall consist of a president, first vice-president, a second vice-president, a secretary-president elect and a treasurer. The president, the vice-presidents, the secretary-president elect and the treasurer shall be elected by the membership and shall serve until their successors are duly elected and installed.

Article V CORPORATE POWERS AND MANAGEMENT (GOVERNING COUNCIL)

The corporate powers and management of this corporation shall be vested in and exercised by the Governing Council, the personnel of which shall include:

- (a) The officers of this association, as provided for in Article IV of this Constitution.
- (b) The Immediate Past President of the Association.
- (c) The Chair of each section provided for in the by-laws.
- (d) The Chair of the standing committees.
- (e) The Past Presidents of the Association shall be officers-at-large without voting privileges, but allowed to participate in the deliberations of the Governing Council.

The functions of the Governing Council shall consist of such legislative and judicial duties as are essential in the government of the Louisiana Public Health Association, Inc. and not inconsistent with the Constitution and By-laws of the American Public Health Association. Among such duties are to be included the following:

- (a) To establish new scientific sections within the Louisiana Public Health Association, Inc.; to combine, discontinue or alter existing sections; and to maintain coordination among them and formulate general rules governing their policies.
- (b) To receive for consideration any recommended action on the part of the membership, any proposals affecting the policies, programs, and procedures of the Association.
- (c) To recommend to the Membership worthy candidates for the honorary title of Fellow.
- (d) To make appointments to fill all elective offices that might become vacant during the interim between annual meetings.
- (e) To draft and promulgate resolutions during the interim between meetings relating only to such matters as are directly embodied in Article II of the Constitution, entitled "Object".
- (f) To appoint the members of the Standing Committees.

As soon as practicable following the election of officers & section chairs at the annual meeting the newly elected President shall call a meeting of the newly elected officers of the Association (as enumerated in Article II of the By-laws) for the purpose of electing the Chair and other members of the Standing Committees (as enumerated in Article III of the By-laws) and thereby completing the membership of the new Governing Council. At this meeting, the seven (7) members shall constitute a quorum.

At all other meetings of the Governing Council, ten (10) members shall constitute a quorum. Other meetings of the Governing Council shall be called by the Secretary at the request of the President, or upon request of the President in writing of any seven (7) members of the Governing Council. In the latter case, a call shall be issued at least 15 days in advance of the proposed meeting and shall state the purpose thereof. In lieu of calling a meeting for the consideration of special business of the organization during the interim between annual meetings, the President may conduct such business by correspondence with the Governing Council.

Article VI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There is hereby created an Executive Committee to consist of the President, as Chair, the immediate Past President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and three members of the Governing Council to be elected by the Governing Council annually. The Secretary of the Association shall serve as Secretary.

Duties of said Executive Committee shall be:

- (a) In general, to carry out the policies of the Governing Council between meetings of the council.
- (b) In emergencies, to act with authority for the Governing Council between meetings of the council.
- (c) To act as trustee of the properties of the Association.
- (d) To plan methods for the procurement of funds.
- (e) To recommend budgets for the work of the Association.
- (f) To transmit a report of its proceedings to the Governing Council.

Article VII CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions made from time to time, to this corporation, for its use in furtherance of its objectives and purposes, may be used at the discretion of the Governing Council only to carry out the objectives and purposes of this corporation.

Article VIII FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of this corporation shall be from the first day of January in each year through the thirty-first day of December in the same year. (Revised July 2004)

Article IX

No member of this corporation shall ever be held liable or responsible for contracts, debts or defaults of this corporation in any further sum than the unpaid dues, if any owing by him or her to the organization or corporation, nor shall any mere informality in organization have the effect of rendering the Articles of Incorporation null or exposing the members to any liability other than as above provided.

Article X

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth hereinabove. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public

office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by (a) by a corporation exempt from the federal income tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

Article XI

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Governing Council shall after paying or making provision for payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation in such a manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, as the Governing Council shall determine. Any of such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the District Court of the Parish in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as the Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Article XII

AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members voting on the amendment, provided that notice of the proposed amendment has been given, in writing, to the Secretary not less than ninety days prior to the annual meeting; and provided further that the proposed amendment be submitted to the members no less than thirty days prior to the annual meeting.

The vote of the members on proposed amendments to the Constitution shall include the votes cast at an annual meeting, and absentee votes submitted by mail and received by the Secretary prior to the balloting at the annual meeting.

The Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated

BY-LAWS

Article I

MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section 1. The membership of the Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated shall be subject to compliance with the provisions set forth in the preceding Constitution and these bylaws.

Section 2. Membership in this Association shall consists of one category, which is as follows:

MEMBER - Any person professionally engaged in any branch of public health work or any individual, regardless of domicile, who is interested in public health shall be eligible for membership, and such membership shall include all privileges of the Association.

- (1) Lifetime Membership - A member of LPHA in good standing at the time of retirement from active employment shall be eligible for and may receive lifetime membership in the Association with no further payment of dues, upon request to the secretary. Requests for Lifetime Membership shall be presented to the Governing Council for approval. A Lifetime Member shall be eligible for all privileges of the Association.
- (2) Fellow - Honorary title bestowed upon a member. Qualifications are:
 - (a) Member of the Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated.
 - (b) Active public health worker in Louisiana for five years or more.
 - (c) General recognition by the membership of the Association for outstanding contributions to public health in Louisiana by the member.

Nominations for Fellow shall be presented to the Governing Council for approval and recommendation to the membership during the annual meeting. The title of Fellow shall be awarded upon a majority vote of the members present and voting during the annual meeting.

A member who has been honored by the Association as a recipient of the Dr. C. B. White Meritorious Award shall have conferred on him the honorary title of Fellow.

Section 3. Admission - Application for membership in the Association shall be made in writing to the Treasurer and one year's dues shall accompany the application. The Governing Council reserves the right to reject and/or revoke membership for cause, enacted by two-thirds vote of the Council.

Section 4. In order to be in good standing in the Association, members shall pay dues upon application and thereafter annually.

Section 5. ANNUAL DUES - \$45.00

- (a) The dues year will be January 1 through December 31. Dues may be paid at any time during calendar year.
- (b) Dues shall be delinquent if not paid by the annual conference and membership shall be forfeited April 1 for non-payment of dues.

Section 6. Affiliate Dues - Association affiliate dues shall be paid annually on the membership census as of December 31 of the prior year.

Article II

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. The officers and members of the Governing Council of the Louisiana Public Health Association shall be elected from and by the membership of the Association. Nominations will be made, in writing, to the Nominations Committee. Only members in good standing are eligible to nominate and/or vote. Election shall be by the general assembly at the annual meeting.

Section 2. Each year the Nominations Committee shall call for and receive nominations for the following officers of the Association as outlined in Article V of these bylaws:

- (a) President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary, who shall serve as President Elect.
- (b) Every third year the ballot shall include candidates for Treasurer and delegate to the American Public Health Association, who shall be nominated and elected in the same manner as the officers.
- (c) Each year the Nominations Committee shall prepare a ballot of candidate(s) for each office as enumerated in Section 2. Each third year candidate(s) for Treasurer and delegate to the American Public Health Association shall be included on the ballot. A minimum of two candidates for each office is recommended.

Section 3. Election shall be conducted by the President during the annual business meeting, as outlined in the Procedure Manual. The list of candidates compiled by the Nominating committee shall be presented to the assembly prior to receiving nominations from the floor, for any and all offices to be filled. A majority vote of members voting is required to elect. The Nominating Committee shall serve as tellers. If no candidate receives a majority vote on the first ballot, the candidate receiving the smallest number of votes shall be dropped after each ballot in succession until a majority vote is obtained.

Section 4 - All votes may be destroyed at the close of the annual meeting unless the ballot results are contested and the Chair is instructed by the Governing Council to do otherwise.

Article III

STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Section 1. Standing committees of the Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated shall be established by the Governing Council and ratified by the general membership through these bylaws. Standing committees will be as follows:

- (a) Finance
- (b) Legislative
- (c) Public Relations
- (d) Membership
- (e) Constitution, Bylaws, and Policy
- (f) Awards and Nominations
- (g) Continuing Education
- (h) Publications
- (i) Scholarship

Section 2. Standing committees shall serve from the close of the annual meeting at which they have been appointed by the Governing Council to the close of the next annual meeting, or until their successors have been appointed.

Section 3. The following Standing Committees are specifically qualified:

- (a) Awards and Nominations Committee shall consist of the Immediate Past President and the chair of each authorized section of the Association. The Immediate Past President shall serve as chair. In the absence of the chair, the president shall appoint one of the committee members to serve as chair.
- (b) Membership Committee shall consist of the appointed chair and the secretary of each section.

Section 4. Vacancies in standing committee positions shall have any unexpired term filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

Section 5. Standing committee chairmen shall be members of the Governing Council of the Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated as enumerated in Article V of the Constitution.

Section 6. Special committees may be created by the membership, by the Executive Committee, or by vote of the Governing Council. The vote creating such special committees shall indicate their size, composition, and purpose. Members of special committees shall be appointed by the president.

Section 7. The following special committees are specifically qualified:

- (a) Resolutions committee shall consist of the Second Vice President and the secretary of each section. The Second Vice President shall serve as chairman.
- (b) Program committee shall consist of the First Vice President and a representative of each section, usually the Section Chair. The First Vice President shall serve as chair.

Section 8. The term of all special committees shall expire at the close of the next annual meeting following the appointment unless specified otherwise in the original appointment. When it is beneficial to the Association, special committees may be continued from year-to-year with Governing Council approval.

Section 9. Special committee chairmen may be invited by the president to attend meetings of the Governing Council when their presence is beneficial to the business of the Association. Special committee chairmen may report or receive information from the Governing Council during said meetings. Special committee chairmen attend Governing Council meetings without voting privileges and are not counted as part of the quorum.

Article IV SECTIONS

Section 1. There are hereby established seven (7) sections, namely:

- (a) Physicians and Administrators Section
- (b) Public Health Nursing Section
- (c) Environmental Health Section
- (d) Clerical and Statistical Section
- (e) Laboratory Section
- (f) Allied Health Services Section
- (g) Retirees

Section 2. Upon the petition of fifty members of the Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated, the Governing Council may establish a new scientific section, or combine, discontinue or alter existing sections. It is not intended that the petition by fifty members be required for the Governing Council to merely change the name of a section. Name changes may be approved by the Governing Council by petition from a section.

Section 3. Sections shall elect officers by open or closed ballot. These officers shall normally hold office for a term of one year, beginning at the close of the annual meeting when elected. The Governing Council may approve terms of longer duration, but not to exceed two consecutive years. Section officers may serve any number of terms as long as at least one year has elapsed after serving the two consecutive terms.

Section 4. Section officers shall consist of a chair, vice-chair, and secretary. Duties of these officers include the following Association responsibilities:

- (a) Chair - Representative to the Governing Council and is a voting member; member of the Awards and Nominations Committee; represents their respective section throughout the year; responsible for the section program and may serve on the Program Committee or designate a section member; notify the section vice chair of expected absences to ensure section representation at all Governing Council and committee meetings.
- (b) Vice Chair - Serves in the absence of the Chair with all prerogatives of the chair and performs other duties as directed by the chair during the year.

- (c) Secretary - Represents the section as a member of the Membership Committee and the Resolutions Committee and other duties as directed by the Chair.

Section 5. Each section has the duty of becoming an active unit for the purpose of carrying out Article II of the Constitution, entitled Object. This may be accomplished by, but not limited to the following:

- (a) Negotiating with officials and other agencies concerning such matters as related to the professional or vocational competency and responsibility of the members of the particular section.
- (b) Cooperative planning of one section with another for attainment of common ends.
- (c) Passing resolutions on behalf of the particular section.
- (d) Recommending courses of action and timely resolutions to the Governing Council and the Executive Committee.

Article V

OFFICERS, QUALIFICATIONS, AND TERM OF OFFICE

Section 1. The officers of the Louisiana Public Health Association, Inc. shall be a president, first vice president, second vice president, treasurer, and secretary, who shall serve as president elect.

Section 2. To qualify for nomination as an officer of this Association, or the delegate to the American Public Health Association, a member must be in good standing with the Association and shall have served at least a one year term on the Governing Council as a voting member as defined in Article V of the Constitution.

Section 3. No person shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office except the treasurer, who may serve as many times as elected to the office. Six months shall be considered a term of office when determining eligibility for re-election, except for the first vice president serving the unexpired term of the president. Refer to Section 4 for term of office.

Section 4. The officers shall take office at the close of the annual meeting after their election and shall serve until the close of the following annual meeting and/or until their successor is elected.

Section 5. In the event of death, resignation, or incapacity of the president, the first vice president shall become president for the unexpired portion of the term.

Section 6. A vacancy in the office of the president elect shall remain unfilled, and a special election for president shall be held at the next annual meeting. The Governing Council shall fill the vacancy of Secretary to serve the unexpired term of office.

Section 7. All vacancies in elective offices, including delegate to APHA and except the designation of president elect, shall be filled by Governing Council appointment for an unexpired term(s) of office. Refer to Sections 3 & 4 of this article for definition of term of office.

Article VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Officer shall perform the duties outlined in the Constitution and Bylaws, as may be assigned from time to time, and the accepted duties of their respective office as prescribed in the adopted parliamentary authority of the Association.

Section 2. An outline of the duties of each officer shall be maintained in the Policy and Procedure Manual and said outline shall be updated periodically and/or as deemed necessary by the Governing Council to accomplish the Association objectives.

Section 3. In the absence of the president, the first vice president, the second vice president, in that order, shall serve as president. The vice president shall have the powers and prerogatives of the president during absences.

Article VII PUBLICATIONS

Section 1. The Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated shall publish an official publication. Periodicity shall be set forth by the Governing Council. All funds relative to the publishing of said publication shall be handled through the treasurer and shall be included in the Association budget.

Section 2. All publications, news media releases, resolutions, position statements, and/or other reports or releases are subject to Governing Council or membership approval prior to public announcement.

Article VIII MEETINGS

Section 1. The Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated shall hold regular annual sessions at such time, of such duration, and at such place as may be determined by the Governing Council.

Section 2. All papers and reports presented at annual or other meetings of the Association shall become the property of the Association.

Section 3. The program of the annual meeting(s) shall provide for time for meetings of the various sections provided for in Article IV of these bylaws.

Section 4. No member shall have more than one vote during annual meetings, and proxy voting is not permitted. A quorum for the annual meeting shall be a majority of the members present and voting during any official meeting of the general membership. Prior notice of said meeting shall be announced.

Article IX FINANCES

Section 1. All income to the Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated shall be deposited to the account of the Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated. Disbursements in payment of accounts of the Association shall be made by the Treasurer, subject to review and approval of the Governing Council. The Treasurer shall report semi-annually to the Governing Council all receipts and disbursements, and the financial status of the Association. The Treasurer and/or other officers and/or members of the Governing Council (including Past Presidents) who may be custodians of Association funds, shall be bonded by the Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated in the amount to be determined by the Governing Council.

Section 2. In the event of death or incapacity of the Treasurer, the Secretary shall assume the Treasurer's responsibility until such time as a successor shall be appointed by the Governing Council or otherwise succeeded according to these bylaws.

Section 3. The books of the Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated shall be audited annually by the auditors (Finance Committee) approved by the Governing Council of this Association.

Section 4. Finances of the Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated shall be managed in a manner which is consistent with Article VII, Article VIII, Article IX, Article X, and Article XI of the Constitution.

Article X PARLIAMENTARIAN AND PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Section 1. The parliamentarian shall be appointed by the President and shall serve as the Association's authority on parliamentary procedure. He/she shall express opinions on points in question when requested to do so by the presiding officer or by any member. He/she shall be familiar with the Association's Constitution and Bylaws and the parliamentary authority.

Section 2. Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern all proceedings of the Association, Governing Council, Executive Committee, and other official meetings of the Association in all cases in which said rules are applicable and in which they are not in conflict with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Association.

Article XI AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be amended at the annual meeting of the Association by a two thirds vote of the members present and voting provided that notice of the proposed amendment shall have been given to the membership at least 30 days prior to the meeting. Notice of proposed amendments to these bylaws may be published in the Louisiana Public Health Association, Incorporated newsletter, provided said publication is mailed to the membership at least 30 days in advance of the annual meeting of the Association.

ARTICLE XII POLICY

In addition to the Constitution and By-Laws listed above, there is also to be a grouping of procedural guidelines called LPHA "Policy". These policies are to include but are not limited to: Officers Guide for President, Vice-President, Secretary-President Elect, and Treasurer; Nominating Committee, Finance Committee, Legislative Committee, Public Relations Committee, Membership Committee, Procedure Manual Committee, Constitution, By-laws and Policy Committee, Awards Committee, Program Committee, Memorial Committee, Scholarship Committee, Meetings Committee, Local Arrangements Committee, Resolutions Committee, Duties and Obligations of the Section Chairmen, plus a General Policy Section with miscellaneous policies arranged in alphabetical order. Policy of LPHA may be changed by a majority vote of the governing Council and is effective immediately after adoption.

LPHA Policy Guide for Officers and Committee Members

PRESIDENT

The duties and responsibilities of the highest office in the Louisiana Public Health Association cannot be fully covered here. All of the activities of the Association are the concern of the President. His/her duties, in addition to those outlined in the Constitution and By-Laws, shall include:

1. President is to ensure that letters of invitation to the annual meeting and its social function be sent to:
 - a. Guest speakers and program participants.
 - b. Officials and dignitaries including the President of APHA as recommended by the Governing Council and the Local Arrangements Committee.
2. Prepare a list of persons who are to receive complimentary and/or free registration and present it to the Chair of the Local Arrangements Committee.
3. After the annual meeting, the president will ensure that thank-you notes are written to all persons who assisted with the annual meeting.
4. One of the most important duties of the President is to plan with the Executive Committee and Governing Council the annual calendar of meetings.
5. After the calendar of meetings is established, it is the duty of the President to keep all members of the above groups:
 - a. Working toward the annual meeting, and
 - b. Working of special projects that have been adopted by the Association.
6. Post-convention meeting duties (this meeting should be held some time during the Convention after the election of officers) shall include:
 - a. Election of Standing Committee Chair
 - b. Any other pertinent business needed to get the new roster of officers off to an early start with their duties.
7. A meeting of the Governing Council is held in the late summer and is devoted to completing the "Official Family", such as expired positions on the Executive Committee and other important Committee assignments, and to set the "meeting calendar" for the next year.
8. The President shall be ultimately responsible for seeing to it that the "action" portion of approved LPHA resolutions is carried out to completion. (Governing Council July 16, 1980) (Governing Council Jan. 26, 1982)
9. The President, Secretary/President Elect and Treasurer are bonded and are authorized to sign checks for LPHA. (Governing Council February 6-7, 1997) (Governing Council January 18, 2002)
10. The President, along with the Treasurer, shall maintain the Association's incorporation's status with the state. (Governing Council January 18, 2002)

VICE-PRESIDENT

In accordance with the succession articles as outlined in the Constitution and By-Laws, the office of President shall be filled by succession in the following order:

- First Vice-President
- Second Vice-President

In the absence of the President, the First Vice-President shall have the powers and prerogatives of the President. The First Vice-President will make the presentation of the plaque to the out-going President at the conclusion of the Awards Presentations.

The Vice-President shall also perform additional duties as prescribed by the President or the Governing Council.

The First Vice-President shall supervise and coordinate the operations and functions of the Membership Chair, the *Arrangements Committee Chair and the Public Relations Chair.

The First Vice-President shall have the additional duty of serving as LPHA Program Committee Chair and will be assisted by the Legislative Committee Chair in developing the agenda for any Legislative Forums to be held.

The Second Vice-President shall serve as Chair of the:

- a. Procedural Manual Committee and will write cover letter, publish and distribute an annual update of the manual.
- b. Memorial Committee**
- c. Resolutions Committee

*Corrected by Governing Council, April 14, 1977.

** Previously designated as Book Memorial. See Book Memorial under General Policy.

SECRETARY/PRESIDENT-ELECT

The Secretary/President-Elect shall act as Secretary of the Association and of the Executive Council; shall conduct such part of the correspondence of the Association as is usually conducted by the Secretary of similar organizations; and, if the Secretary/President-Elect is unable to attend a meeting, then it is the officer's responsibility to contact the President as soon as possible to establish a delegate (LPHA member) to perform the duties of the Secretary with the concurrence of the President.

In addition to the above, the Secretary/President-Elect's duties are:

1. To be responsible for the recording and distribution of the Minutes and Proceedings of the Governing Council and of the Executive Committee, including the preparation of the suitable agenda, based on a review of at least the last year's minutes.
2. The Secretary/President-Elect will mail printed minutes to members of the Governing Council within 45 days after the conclusion of the meeting. (Governing Council January 19-20, 1988)
3. To prepare the current official roster of newly-elected officers for distribution along with the Minutes of the first meeting of the Governing Council after the Convention.
4. To be Custodian of the current official records of the Association. (Governing Council January 26, 1982)
5. Receive all complaints and answer letters from the official family and other matters not covered in the above, including the APHA reports and official commitments with related groups and other State Associations.
6. Advise the APHA of the names and addresses of the newly-elected officers and delegates.
7. Secretarial funds are available to cover cost of obtaining assistance for this office. Refer to current year's budget. (Governing Council January 18, 2002)
8. The minutes of the annual Business meeting are to include the Section Officers.
9. To be Custodian of the LPHA Banner.
10. The President, Secretary/President-Elect, and Treasurer are bonded and are authorized to sign checks for LPHA. (Governing Council February 6-7, 1997)

TREASURER

The Treasurer, along with the President, shall have charge of the funds of the Association; shall be bonded; shall renew the incorporated status of the Association with the Secretary of State annually; and shall pay all bills that are authorized for payment by the Governing Council.

In addition to the above, the duties of the Treasurer are:

1. To furnish the Association at each annual meeting a financial statement of all receipts and disbursements since the last annual meeting. This statement, with all the books, vouchers, and other necessary documents shall be referred to the Finance Committee for examination and audit.
2. Make a financial report of receipts, expenditures, etc. to the Governing Council at its January meeting.
3. In good time (preferably sometime in October) shall mail to all current members a printed statement showing the amount of the dues for the following year and the current Treasurer's name and address. These statements shall also be mailed to the previous year's members who did not pay the current year's dues.
4. Issue individual membership cards annually as dues are paid.
5. Distribute "Application for Membership" to non-members where he or she can, and provide them for distribution by the membership Committee.
6. Keep up to date a roster of the total current membership.
7. Maintain a permanent file on tax exempt status of the Association and submit the annual Internal Revenue Service report on the appropriate form as mandated by regulations. (Governing Council January 12, 1997)
8. Secretarial assistance is available to cover cost of obtaining assistance for this office. Refer to current year's budget. (Governing Council January 23, 1969)
(Governing Council January 18, 2002)
9. In addition to keeping the treasurer's bond current and sufficient the treasurer shall also see that all other official custodians of LPHA funds or accounts are adequately bonded. (Governing Council January 26, 1982)
10. After consultation with the President and the Finance Committee Chair, is authorized to transfer LPHA funds from one account to another in the best interest of LPHA. (Governing Council Jan. 15-16, 1985) (Governing Council January 18, 2002)

11. The President, Secretary/President Elect, and Treasurer are bonded and are authorized to sign checks for LPHA. (Governing Council February 6-7,1997)
(Governing Council January 18, 2002)
12. Upon receipt of names of deceased LPHA members, determine whether that person was a current member in good standing at the time of their death. Once eligibility is determined the Treasurer is to notify the Chair of the Procedure Manual Committee of the deceased's eligibility and the Treasurer is to transfer \$100.00 of LPHA funds to the LPHA Scholarship Fund and notify the Chair of the Scholarship Committee.
13. Provide names of scholarship fund donors and amount of donation to scholarship and publications committee chairs.

APHA REPRESENTATIVE

The APHA Representative shall be the Louisiana Public Health Association's liaison and delegate to the American Public Health Association's (APHA) Governing Council. The representative will serve a three year term and must be a member of APHA. The APHA Representative shall promote membership in APHA among LPHA members. The Representative shall report to LPHA on activities of APHA. As a member of the APHA Governing Council, the representative will participate in all functions of the council including:

- To establish policies and amend the Bylaws of the Association and to adopt rules for the conduct of its own business.
- To establish policies for the Association and for the guidance of the Executive Board and the officers.
- To receive and act upon reports or recommendations from any organization constituent, the Science Board, the Action Board, the Education Board, the Committee on Affiliates and the Intersectional Council, the Student Assembly, the Standing Committees, and the Executive Board.
- To receive at its first session at the time and place of the annual meeting a report from the Chairperson of the Executive Board in which the work, the accomplishments, and the financial status of the Association during the year preceding such annual meeting shall be reviewed and a statement made of the major activities contemplated for the ensuing year.
- To establish Sections of the Association; to combine or discontinue Sections; to prescribe the composition of Section Councils; to maintain coordination among Sections; and to formulate general rules governing their policies.
- To elect the Executive Board, the officers of the Association, and Honorary Members.
- To recognize Affiliated Associations.
- To make available to the general membership an abstract of the minutes of each of its meetings.

Travel expenses to attend APHA Governing Council meetings will be reimbursed by LPHA in accordance with LPHA Travel Policy. If unable to attend a APHA Governing Council Meeting, the representative shall designate a proxy to be approved by the LPHA Executive Committee

If selected, the representative shall serve on the APHA Committee on Affiliates whose functions are:

- To study, recommend, monitor, and coordinate the ways in which APHA can strengthen Affiliated organizations;
- To study, recommend, monitor, and coordinate the ways in which Affiliated organizations can strengthen APHA;
- To study, recommend, monitor, and coordinate the ways in which APHA/Affiliated organization relationships can be strengthened.
- To report to the Governing Council upon its deliberations.

The representative will assure that LPHA submits dues to APHA

- The dues for Affiliated Associations shall be assessed on a capitation basis with a differential providing a lower per capita payment for affiliate members who are also

members of the APHA. The capitation rate shall be established by the Executive Board, subject to approval by a two-thirds vote of the Governing Council.

AWARDS COMMITTEE

The Awards Committee shall be composed of the Section Chair (or their duly authorized representatives) and the Immediate Past President who shall serve as Chair. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to review the recommendations for recipients of the various awards as presented by the Louisiana Public Health Association, Inc. and to determine those who will be recipients of such awards.

Only one award in each category is to be presented each year when suitable candidates are available.

The Awards Committee shall consider the awards one at a time in the following order:

- 1) LPHA Meritorious Award
- 2) LPHA Members Award
- 3) LPHA Public Service Award
- 4) LPHA Founders Award
- 5) The Louise McFarland Award for Excellence in Public Health Communication

Recommendation of the Awards Committee "that the names of nominees not selected for the various awards will not be read aloud during the annual convention."

The President-Elect shall be invited to all Awards Committee meetings.

The preceding year's Chair of the Awards Committee shall be kept on one subsequent year as an ex-officio member without voting privileges.

The Awards Committee will select outstanding LPHA Award recipients (nominees) for presentation to the Governing Council at its January Governing Council Meeting for "endorsement and submittal" to APHA for consideration for its awards. (When appropriate)

Secretarial assistance is available to cover cost of obtaining assistance for this office. Refer to current year's budget.

All awards at the Awards Banquet will be presented by the Awards Committee Chair and the recipients be requested to keep their acceptance speeches to no longer than three minutes.

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The official award plaque for LPHA is to be the rectangular shaped plaque with Louisiana outlined in a three-dimensional look.

Awards are to be presented at the banquet at the Annual Meeting.

The Awards Committee Chair (Outgoing) shall report to the Governing Council at its post (Friday) meeting the results of the LPHA Awards as presented at the Awards Banquet. (This is so the awards results will be recorded in the official minutes and made part of the permanent records). It is suggested that the Awards Booklet given out at the banquet be made part of the records.

LPHA Awards Criteria and Selection Procedures

There shall be five "LPHA AWARDS" which may be awarded annually to individuals for significant meritorious activity to foster public health programs, loyal and diligent public health service, or outstanding achievement in media communication, research, scholarship, legislation, or pioneering performance in public health;

Recipients of these awards shall be selected carefully by the LPHA Awards Committee, composed of Section Chairmen and the Immediate Past President of LPHA as Chair.

The selection procedure for these awards are as follows:

- LPHA members are invited to submit nominations of worthy individuals who meet the criteria of a specific award as outlined below. Only one name per award is allowed. An individual may only receive one award in any year. In certain situations, a recipient of one award may at another time be eligible to receive a different award. Recipients of earlier, different LPHA awards may be eligible to receive one of these awards.
- Supporting data must accompany the specific nomination. The Awards Committee then (at the January Governing Council meeting) selects the most qualified nominee for each award. If there is not a worthy candidate for each of the four awards according to the opinion of a majority of the committee, then, it is not necessary to award all five awards that year.

The five (5) LPHA Awards & Criteria are as follows:

- 1) The LPHA MERITORIOUS AWARD - for long-time, diligent and esteemed service in public health in Louisiana by any person in a full, part-time, or voluntary service in a health agency, organization or coalition. (This award more or less combines the old C.B. White, Agnes Morris, Velma Brusse, Axson-Chopin, and Felix Formento Awards.)
- 2) The LPHA MEMBERS AWARD - for outstanding, loyal, and dedicated service to LPHA by an individual who has been a member of LPHA five (5) years or more. (This award replaces the President's Award.)
- 3) The LPHA PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD - for contributions and support to foster public health programs or issues in Louisiana by an elected or appointed public official (local, state, or national).

- 4) The LPHA FOUNDERS AWARD - for significant achievement in research or outstanding pioneering performance in public health by any resident of Louisiana. Significance here is statewide, national, or international recognition of achievements or accomplishments. (This expands upon the prestigious E.H. Barton Award.)
- 5) The LOUISE MCFARLAND AWARD – for excellence in Public Health communication – to recognize media professionals for accurate,, thorough broadcast, print and/or electronic media coverage of Public Health programs or issues in Louisiana.

The Awards Committee will be sent a copy of all nominations for awards by the Awards Committee Chair prior to the January Governing Council meeting. Committee members are urged to carefully review the nominations before the January meeting of the Awards Committee, and come to the meeting prepared to vote.

CONSTITUTION, BY-LAWS AND POLICY COMMITTEE

The chair of this Committee prepares amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws when such amendments are deemed advisable and necessary. These amendments are presented to the Governing Council at the January meeting for review and comments prior to being submitted to the General assembly at an annual meeting. In accordance with the By-Laws, proposed changes must be circulated to the membership at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting.

The appointed parliamentarian acts as "watch-dog" over the Constitution and By-Laws at meetings of the Governing Council and annual meetings to assure that the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws are being complied with and that no action is taken that is contrary to these Provisions.

After each Governing Council Meeting, the Chair of this Committee is to review the minutes of the meeting for all motions passed that affect LPHA policy. The Chair is also responsible for preparing an up-date of the Policy section of LPHA procedure manual after each governing council meeting for submittal to the Chair of the Procedure Manual Committee.

CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The primary function of this committee is to obtain continuing education units for educational conferences. The Chair of this committee is appointed by the President, with Governing Council approval. The First Vice-President and all Section Chairs shall be members of this committee because these officers are responsible for planning the program. Likewise, the Continuing Education Committee Chair shall sit on the Program Committee.

CEU's may be obtained from various sources. Certificates are forwarded to the recipient.

Responsibilities of the committee include:

1. Determine the source of credit to be awarded for attending conferences.
2. Determine and present the cost of CE credit to Governing Council for approval.
3. Present a packet to the agency awarding the credit. The packet usually contains the agenda, objectives of conference and each presenter, Biographical Data Form of each speaker and planner, copy of the sign in sheet, evaluation form and certificate.
4. Collect applications, and fees if applicable.
5. Collect sign in sheets and evaluations.
6. Forward certificates to individuals who apply for credits and fulfill all requirements.
7. Provide reports to Governing Council.

Forms used by the committee may be obtained from the agency or organization awarding the credit.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The primary function of this committee is to audit the financial business of the Association.

The Chair is to set up a financial budget as a guide by which the Governing Council is to work in developing the annual budget. This budget should be ready for the Treasurer by the July meeting.

The Chair, in conjunction with the Treasurer, is to prepare the annual budget prior to the July Governing Council Meeting. (Governing Council January 26, 1979)

When preparing the budget, all budget items will be listed according to category; e.g. postage, printing, etc. Individual's names and names of organizations are not to be shown in the budget, nor lump sum dollar amounts for more than one categorical item; e.g. postage and printing. (Governing Council April 4, 1979)

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

In as much as various types of legislation as introduced by elected officials in Louisiana tends to affect the public's health it is the purpose of this committee to advise the Governing Council or President and Executive Committees of bills introduced in the Legislature which affect public health in Louisiana.

The Chair of this Legislative Committee is responsible for following bills during a legislative session and contacting the President and Executive Committee of the Association for action to be taken unless procedures have been previously outlined. (Governing Council April 8, 1964)

The Chair shall assist the Program Chair in developing the agenda for any Legislative Forums to be held.

LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE

It is the function of the Local Arrangements Committee to assist in the selection of the site of the annual meeting of the Association. The Chair of this committee, when feasible, should be a resident of the city in which the annual meeting will be held.

The Chair should be given the full authority to plan and organize local activities while operating within the allotted monies provided by the current year's budget. In some cases a Co-Chair will be appointed.

It is recommended that the Chair(s) be present at all meetings of the Governing Council in the year preceding the holding of the annual meeting in order to receive preliminary instructions on the formulation of local plans.

The Chair(s) shall be responsible for recruiting and appointing committee members to assist with the following functions at the annual meeting:

- 1) Registration/Membership/Tickets
- 2) Exhibits
- 3) Physical Arrangements/Housing/Audiovisual Equipment
- 4) Entertainment
- 5) Icebreaker (theme/refreshments)
- 6) Awards Banquet (food)
- 7) Door prizes
- 8) Decorations
- 9) Hospitality Suite

The committee, in conjunction with the Program Committee, shall be responsible for arrangements for printing the programs for the annual meeting. (Governing Council July 11, 1979)

Monies will be allotted for the above as specified in this year's current budget. Monies may be obtained by the following means:

- 1) Exhibit Fees-The exhibit committee shall obtain commercial exhibits subject to local policy and good taste. The current fee is set at \$400. (Governing Council April 7, 1979)
- 2) Conference Program Advertisements-The committee may sell ads in the conference program. The current fees are full page \$100; half page \$75; and quarter page \$50. (Governing Council April 7, 1999)
- 3) Corporate Sponsorship-Three types are available:
 - a) Platinum Sponsorship-Current fee \$2000 per year. Benefits include exhibit space at the conference, 15 conference registrations, two icebreaker tickets, two award

banquet tickets, one-half page ad in conference program, and one half page ad in "Highlights".

- b) Gold Sponsorship-Current fee \$1500 per year. Benefits include exhibit space at the conference, ten (10) conference registrations, two icebreaker tickets, two award banquet tickets, one-quarter page ad in conference program, and one quarter page ad in "Highlights".
- c) Silver Sponsorship-Current fee \$1000 per year. Benefits include exhibit space at the conference, five conference registrations, two icebreaker tickets, two award banquet tickets, one-quarter page ad in conference program. (Governing Council July 12, 1978)

The Chair will submit a written Financial Report to the Treasurer by June 1st following the Annual Meeting. (Governing Council July 12, 1978)

Any membership dues collected during the annual meeting and any surplus monies after expenses are paid will be reimbursed to the treasurer at that time.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

This Committee is charged with the responsibility of encouraging and soliciting memberships to the Louisiana Public Health Association.

It should be noted that members of this Committee are requested to solicit the membership of persons who are working outside of the field of Public Health, but who have an interest in public health in Louisiana, i.e., teachers, workers in the American Lung Association of Louisiana and universities such as, Tulane, L.S.U., etc.

Past practice has found it advantageous for the Chair of this Committee to utilize certain key individuals to assist in this Committee's work. For example, the Section Secretaries, who are members of this Committee, are basically responsible for the recruitment of their own category of health worker. The Membership Committee is allocated funds for Membership promotion. Refer to current year's budget.

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

The Second Vice-President is Chair of the Memorial Committee and has responsibility to receive the names of deceased LPHA members, determine eligibility through the Treasurer for LPHA memorial consideration. Once eligibility is determined, the Chair is to notify the family of the deceased that LPHA is making a significant contribution to the LPHA Scholarship Fund in memory of the deceased.

Copies of all correspondence is to be sent to the Chair of the Scholarship Committee. (Governing Council February 6-7, 1997)

Scholarship fund contributions are to be acknowledged in the Highlights. (Governing Council February 6-7, 1997)

Note: Prior to the Governing Council Meetings of February 6-7, 1997 this Committee was the Book Memorial Committee and the books "The Formative Years" and "The Progressive Years" were placed in the library chosen by the deceased's family in memory of the deceased. Because the inventory of these books was depleted and the cost of reprinting was \$30,000.00, the Governing Council changed the memorial to a \$ 100.00 donation to the Scholarship Fund, and deleted "BOOK" from the committee name.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

According to the By-Laws, Article III, Committees, the Nominating Committee shall be composed of:

1. The Chair of each authorized Section of LPHA (or their duly designated representatives), and
2. The Immediate Past President, who shall serve as Chair.
 - a) All members of the Nominating Committee shall be active members of LPHA.
 - b) The Nominating Committee is responsible for preparing and presenting a slate of two or more eligible candidates for each elective position to be filled, for preparation of the ballots, tabulating the votes, and reporting election results.
 - c) Outline of Duties:
 - A. Chair will call a meeting of the Nominating Committee in conjunction with the summer meeting of the Governing Council to review committee duties and identify potential candidates.
 - B. Call for nominations in the July and October newsletters, by mail, or by personal contact.
 - C. Obtain a list of all current active members from the Treasurer and verify eligibility of all nominating committee members and nominees.
 - D. Receive nominations for candidates from active membership. Deadline for nominations is December 31. Nominations are to be submitted with signatures of ten active LPHA members and a description of the candidates qualifications.
 - E. Prepare a slate of eligible candidates from nominations received for the elective positions of:
 1. Secretary/President-Elect
 2. First Vice-President (Program Chair)
 3. Second Vice-President (Procedure Manual, Resolutions and Memorial Chair)
 4. Treasurer (every third year)
 5. Delegate to the American Public Health Association (every third year)
 - F. In the absence of an adequate number of nominations to fill the slate with at least two eligible candidates for each position, the Nominating Committee shall, with an individual's consent, nominate from the eligible general membership. Signatures of ten members are not required in this case. This is usually done in conjunction with the mid-year (usually January) meeting of the Governing Council.
 - G. Obtain a brief narrative and photograph from each candidate for publication with the slate of candidates in the February newsletter.
 - H. Prepare ballots for use during the election.
 - I. Serve as tellers for the election during the annual meeting (See Election of Officers, page 149).

Petition to Nominate

Nominations are being accepted for the office of Secretary/President-Elect, First Vice President, and Second Vice President. Mail nominations to:

(Immediate Past President)
(Address)
(City State Zip)

Deadline: Must be received by (Date)_____ Submitted: _____

We, the undersigned, submit the following individual's name for consideration as a candidate for the LPHA office of: _____ for the year_____.

Home address of candidate: _____

Job Title or Position: _____

Employer: _____

The following information supports the qualifications of the candidate: (Such as educational background, previously held offices in LPHA, other professional memberships, offices held, etc.). Use additional sheets as necessary.

Submitted by:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____
- 8. _____
- 9. _____
- 10. _____

Eligibility of petitioners and nominee verified: _____
(Nominating Committee Chair)

NOTE:

Ten signatures are required for nomination. All petitioners and nominee must be active members of LPHA.

PROCEDURE MANUAL COMMITTEE

The Second Vice-President of LPHA shall serve as Chair of the Procedure Manual Committee. This Committee is responsible for providing Governing Council Members (as per Article V of the Constitution) with an up-to-date Procedure Manual.

The manuals are the property of LPHA with the exception each year: The manual assigned to the Secretary/President-Elect shall remain with him/her through their term as Secretary/President-Elect and as President, and shall then be retained by him/her as a memento of his/her service to LPHA. A new, up-to-date copy of the manual will be assigned to the Secretary/President-Elect upon election to that office.

The manuals are assigned for use of the incumbent governing council members during their terms of office.

The Procedure Manual Chair is allowed monies, as determined in current year's budget, for maintaining/printing the manuals. (Governing Council January 18, 1978.)

New manuals are to be printed and distributed at the July governing council meeting. (Updated in Procedure Manual)

The Chair is to add the complete Governing Council Roster after each Annual Meeting, and keep five (5) years of rosters in the manual. (Discontinued Governing Council January 2007)

Using information obtained from the Scholarship Committee, the Scholarship Contributors List must also be updated yearly.

The manual is to be posted on the LPHA web site. (Governing Council January 2007)

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

The Program Committee shall be composed of the Section Chairs, the Continuing Education Committee, and the First Vice-President who shall serve as Chair.

(Governing Council January 15-16, 1985) The committee will be guided by suggestions and opinions of the Governing Council and Executive Committee as to the theme, etc., of the annual meeting. The committee shall be charged with the responsibility to:

- Organize a suitable, professional program for presentation at the annual meeting of the Association.
- Secure speakers for the general session of the annual meeting. Monies will be allotted for speakers as specified in the current year's budget. However, when possible, speakers will be obtained at no expense to the Association.
- Work with Section Chairs in obtaining speakers for Section meetings at the annual meeting. Sections may be granted funds to obtain speakers by written request, with justification, to the President. Monies are allotted as specified in the current year's budget. (Governing Council July 20, 2000)
- Assemble and arrange for the printing of the program for the annual meeting, in conjunction with the Meetings/Local Arrangements Committee. Monies will be allotted for this as specified in current year's budget. (Governing Council July 11, 1979)
- Obtain the necessary information and biographical data on speakers to secure continuing education units for attendees at the annual meeting.
- Work closely with the Local Arrangements Committee to arrange for meeting rooms, seating, and audiovisual equipment.
- Print handouts upon requests of speakers to be provided to attendees.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Chair of the Committee shall be charged with the responsibility of publicizing the activities of the Association. At the annual meeting he/she shall assist the members of his/her committee and the members of the local Public Relations Committee in securing newspaper, television and radio coverage of the meeting activities.

Funds are available to this committee for the purpose of obtaining pictures of LPHA activities, which can be published in the newsletter, newspapers, and stored in LPHA archives. In addition, pictures will be taken and presented to LPHA Award Recipients. Refer to current year's budget. (Governing Council January 18, 2002)

The Public Relations Chair is to provide to the APHA publication "The Nations Health" timely articles about public health activities in Louisiana. (Governing Council January 26, 1972)

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

The Committee Chair shall be responsible for publishing HIGHLIGHTS, the official publication of LPHA. HIGHLIGHTS is to be published three (3) times yearly, plus a special program agenda for the Annual Educational Conference. (Governing Council February 6-7, 1997)

The following guidelines for the HIGHLIGHTS schedule were approved by Governing Council February 9, 1996:

JULY

- President's Message
- Legislative Update
- Governing Council Roster
- Section Reports
- Committee Reports
- Membership Application
- Scholarship Nomination - Deadline
- Award Nomination - Deadline
- Calendar of Events
- Listing of Exhibitors
- Constitution/Bylaws Changes
- Financial Report
- Award Recipients
- Scholarship fund contributions

OCTOBER

- President's Message
- Membership Application
- Scholarship Nomination - Deadline
- Award Nomination - Deadline
- Calendar of Events
- Promotion of Upcoming Educational Conference
- Nomination for Officers
- Scholarship fund contributions

MARCH

- President's Message
- Announcement of Educational Conference-Date-Time-Place
- Purpose, Objectives, and CEU Accreditation
- Calendar of Events
- Tentative Conference Program Agenda -Pre-Registration
- Constitution/Bylaws Proposals
- Call for Resolutions
- Scholarship fund contributions

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The Resolutions Committee shall be composed of the Section Secretaries and the Second Vice-President who shall serve as Chair.

This committee shall have the responsibility of collecting and introducing to the General Assembly resolutions affecting the Association or its membership.

These resolutions should be all inclusive insofar as their scope is concerning and not limited to the affairs of the Association or the annual meeting. For example, it should, when appropriate, give consideration to items of National Public Health and Medical interest, also of specific interest to Sections or the various categories in the Association when not in conflict with the general interest of the total membership.

Any and all resolutions emanating from section meetings should be as nearly complete and in final form as possible when given to the Resolution Committee for presentation to the entire membership.

All resolutions should be submitted to the Resolution Committee at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting to allow adequate time for evaluation and processing. Refer to the following page for suggested form and approved format. All resolutions must be submitted in MS Word to Second Vice-President on a disk.

APPROVED FORMAT FOR THE PREPARATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Proposed resolutions for consideration of the Governing Council, Louisiana Public Health Association, should be prepared as indicated below:

The former type of resolution with the series of "whereas's" and culminated by a "therefore be it resolved" will no longer be used. The approved type of resolution should consist of an explanation of the problems, including justification for the position taken and should be confined to the essentials. The concluding paragraph should be a statement of the position of the Louisiana Public Health Association which in all instances, should begin with "The Louisiana Public Health Association" to be followed by a verb indicating Association action.

The resolution cited below is an example of the format to be used:

"Preservation of Records"

"Vital records are a valuable resource of the people and the country. They not only serve manifold statistical uses but also serve as an important basis for the establishment of numerous personal rights. These records are subject to fraud and misuse as well as loss from disasters. These records deserve proper and confidential treatment to protect them from unwarranted improper use.

"The Louisiana Public Health Association urges those responsible for the custody of vital records at all levels of government to take necessary steps to strengthen and maintain their integrity by (1) adopting maximum safeguards to reduce the dangers of fraud, and (2) by establishing duplicate sets of records as a safeguard against disasters."

THE LOUISIANA PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTION FORM

SPONSORED BY: _____

TITLE: _____

TEXT: _____

ACTION: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ADOPTED: _____ REFERRED: _____ VETOED: _____

NOTES: _____

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Membership: Committee appointments will be made at the same time as other committee appointments but not later than July Governing Council meeting.

Composition will consist of the three immediate past Presidents and two LPHA members appointed by the President and approved by Governing Council. The immediate past President will serve a three-year term, a two-year term for the second year past President and a one year term for the third year past President for the initial (1st) year of the program. The Doctoral committee members will have one member serving a two year term for the initial (1st) year of the program. The process of rotating one person in each category off the committee and introducing new members will provide continuity and stability to the committee efforts.

Duties: The Committee Chair serves as custodian of the scholarship plaque. The plaque is to be displayed at all official functions of LPHA.

Acknowledge contributions to the scholarship fund by sending thank you cards to the donors and acknowledgment cards to the family of individuals honored by a memorial donation. A memorial acknowledgment should state: "A donation to the Louisiana Public Health Association Scholarship Fund was received from _____ in memory of _____."

Provide names of donors to Governing Council each year. And, report names of scholarship donors for the previous year in Highlights and in the annual meeting program booklet.

To raise money for the scholarship fund. To review applications of possible recipients and to choose the recipient.

As often as practical, but at least at each governing council meeting, provide the Procedure Manual Committee Chair with a list of contributors (\$100.00 minimum) to the Scholarship Fund, so that an up-to-date list of these contributors can be maintained in the Procedure Manual. Provide the Publications Chair with a list of contributors (100.00 minimum) to the Scholarship Fund, so that they may be acknowledged in the Highlights. (Governing Council February 6-7 1997)

Goal: The interest will be used to award to one or more recipients.

Scholarship Amount: The amount of scholarship is to be determined by Governing Council at the winter meeting. The number of scholarships awarded shall be determined by the committee.

CRITERIA AND SELECTION PROCEDURES FOR SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY: LPHA members or dependent, all section disciplines.

CRITERIA: Louisiana student in a Louisiana school.
LPHA member or dependent.
Consideration of educational or financial need.

EDUCATIONAL
LEVELS:
discipline.

Undergraduate and graduate levels enrolled in a public health

- (a) Undergraduates must maintain required grade point average and are eligible to reapply for each year of a four-year program.
- (b) Graduate (includes doctoral). University rules apply for GPA and admission criteria.
- (c) Full time is usually considered to be 12 credit hours. Part time will be considered as less than 12 credit hours. Awards will be prorated accordingly. University definition will apply for part and full time status.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SCHOLARSHIP:

- (a) The course of study must be supportive of public health.
- (b) Student must be currently enrolled in an accredited college or university.
- (c) Student must maintain at least a GPA of 3.0.
- (d) Two personal references - one from an academic advisor and one from a non-related LPHA member.

CRITERIA AND SELECTION PROCEDURES FOR SCHOLARSHIP

SELECTION PROCEDURE:

- 1) The number of scholarships and the amount of money to be in the scholarship(s) will be determined by the Scholarship Committee at the beginning of each fiscal year, based upon the amount of interest available in the Scholarship fund.
- 2) The applicant who receives a simple majority vote of the members of the Scholarship Committee will be the winner of the scholarship, if one scholarship is to be awarded. If there are more than two applicants, "run-off elections" for a "winner" may be needed.

- 3) If more than one scholarship is to be awarded in any year, the following procedure will be followed for determining the winners:
 - (a) All complete applications will be shared with all committee members, and each member will vote YES or No on each application.
 - (b) Those applications with a simple majority of NO votes will not be considered further.
 - (c) Those applications having had a simple majority of YES votes will be considered further.
 - (d) If the number of successful applicants equals or is less than the number of scholarships available, each applicant will be considered a "winner" at this point.
 - (e) If the number of successful applicants exceeds the number of scholarships available, a repeat vote will be held among all the members of the Scholarship Committee. Those applicants receiving a majority of votes of the entire scholarship committee will be considered winners.
 - (f) If the number of "winners" still exceeds the number of scholarships available, the Chair of the Scholarship Committee will decide the applicants who will not be awarded a scholarship.
 - (g) The "winner(s)" of the scholarships will be notified by mail; the letter (s) to be sent by the President of the Louisiana Public Health Association.
 - (h) Upon notification by the President of the LPHA, the Treasurer of the Louisiana Public Health Association will issue and send a check to each scholarship recipient.
- 4) If the Scholarship Committee deems that no suitable applicants for scholarship are received in any one year, then the Committee may choose not to award a scholarship that year.

**LOUISIANA PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION FORM**

IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION

1. Name: _____
2. Social Security No: _____
3. Address (present): _____
4. Address (permanent): _____
5. Telephone (present): _____ Telephone (permanent): _____

FAMILY

1. Name of Closest Living Relative: _____

2. Relationship: _____
Telephone: _____
3. Address: _____
4. Has any member of your family been a member of LPHA? _____
5. If yes, who and what relationship to you? _____
6. Are you currently a member of LPHA? _____

BIOGRAPHIC/DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

1. Are you a U.S. citizen?: _____ 2. Are you a Louisiana resident? _____
3. Birth date: _____

EDUCATION

1. Degree program? _____
2. Specialization in major field of study? _____
3. Career plans (attach a detailed statement of your goals and how it relates to public health): _____
4. List educational background: _____

5. Present occupation: _____ Title: _____
Address: _____
Supervisor: _____ Telephone: _____
Date of Employment: _____

6. List all other occupations and income: _____

7. Honors, prizes, scholarships, and fellowships: _____

If you have published, please attach bibliographic reference(s)? _____

9. Please furnish statement regarding "need" and verification? _____

10. Please furnish letters of personal and academic references, one (1) each.

11. Please furnish an official transcript.

ACT Score: _____ GRE Score: _____

12. If a high school graduate within the past year, please have principal complete and sign the following:

High school from which graduated: _____

Number in graduating class: _____

Applicant's class rank: _____

Grade average (overall): _____

Principal: _____ Date: _____
Signature

OPTIONAL: ATTACH REMARKS OF PRINCIPAL AND/OR COUNSELOR
NOTE: USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY (Governing Council January 1993)

SCHOLARSHIP FUND CONTRIBUTORS

The following persons or entities have contributed at least \$100.00 to the LPHA Scholarship Fund:

Kathryn Liuzza
Pfizer, Inc.
RAGS
Billy and Ellyce Goins
Pat Ortego
Merck and Co.
Ethyl Corporation
Effcon Laboratories
Social Work Section
Albemarie Corporation
Margie Gibbs
Ardis D. Lamb
Dr. Charles Caraway
In honor of Nell C. Roberts
Clerical Section
Laboratory Section
Nursing Section
Dr. Lynelle Ford
John Koury
Jamie Roques
Environmental Section
Dr. Edna Gannon Treuting, R.N. Chief P. H. Nurse
Special Services Section
Ochsner Breast Center
Margaret Moore
In memory of Dr. Pattie W. Van Hook
In Memory of Velma Brusse
In Memory of Dr. Andrew Hedmeg
Myrtle M. Delaune, R.N.
In Memory of Dr. Guillermo Vasquez
Louisiana Chemical Association
In Memory of J. B. Hickey
Shannon Hager Joseph
Jerry Cage
Arthur Hager
Cathy Dennis
Margaret Fahr
James Gilbert
Wilda Dent
Marianne Turnage
Stephanie Gilmore

Becky Stith
LPHA Clerical & Statistical Section
LPHA Nursing Section

Additional scholarship fund contributions should be acknowledged.
Revised May 1999, April 2008

SECTION CHAIR - DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS

*As proposed to the Governing Council of the Louisiana Public Health Association April 24, 1974.

The Section Chair serves as an active, voting member of the LPHA Governing Council and should attend all Council meetings during his/her term.

In addition to the above, the duties of the Section Chair are:

1. Serves as the Program Chair for the section's program session and is responsible for planning that program and attending to the details necessary for its successful conduct.
2. Serves as an active member of the Program Committee for the LPHA Annual Meeting and should respond to correspondence, follow-up on requests and attend all meetings of the Program Committee called by the LPHA Program Chair.
3. Presides over the business sessions of his/her section at the time of the LPHA Annual Meeting.
4. Has the primary responsibility for the active promotion of membership to the LPHA among those disciplines and individuals who would naturally fit into his/her section, such activity to commence with his/her election as Chair and continue through the time of the Annual Meeting the following year.
5. Has the primary responsibility for the announcement of and promotion of attendance by his/her members and others who might be interested in the closing plenary session at the LPHA Annual Meeting.
6. Has the primary responsibility to know and observe carefully the deadlines established for the submission of section membership and program business to the appropriate LPHA Chair, such as the LPHA Program Chair, the LPHA Public Relations Chair, the LPHA Membership Chair, and others as required during the year.
7. Has the primary responsibility to alert the members of his/her section as to the time for the formulation and submission of resolutions to the LPHA Resolutions Committee in accordance with those deadlines established for such proposals from the section.
8. Has the primary responsibility to provide liaison leadership between the LPHA Governing Council and the members of his/her sections, and from his/her members to the LPHA leadership by reporting to his/her members LPHA activity and by reflecting to the LPHA leaders section response, interests, questions, problems and concerns during the year of his/her term.

9. May appoint committees within his/her section for the discharge of section business and carries the responsibility to require accountability and effective action by any and all such committees. (Approved by Governing Council April 24, 1974.)
10. Shall solicit from his/her section membership, and submit to the Governing Council, Nominations for lifetime members. (Governing Council Action July 12, 1978.) (Governing Council January 26, 1982.)
11. Serves as an active member of the Awards Committee and the Nominating Committee. (Governing Council July 16, 1980) (Governing Council January 26, 1982.)
12. Serves as reporter for the LPHA Newsletter, submitting information about their section members. (Governing Council January 12, 1983.)

GENERAL POLICY

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1. AWARDS - Awards committee change amended to include: selecting outstanding LPHA awards recipients (nominees) for presentation to the Governing Council at its January Governing Council meeting for "endorsement and submittal to APHA", for consideration for its awards. (Refer to Awards Committee, Guide for Officer's and Committee Members)
2. AWARDS COMMITTEE – Secretarial assistance is available to cover cost of obtaining assistance for this office. Refer to current year's budget.
3. AWARDS PRESENTATIONS - All awards at the Awards Banquet be presented by the Awards Committee Chairman and the recipients be requested to keep their acceptance speeches to no longer than three minutes. (Refer to Awards Committee, Officer's and Committee Guide)
4. APHA REPRESENTATIVE - One delegate representing LPHA is elected for a three (3) year term. See Constitution and By-laws, approved April, 1986 annual meeting.
5. AWARD PLAQUES - Official Award Plaque for LPHA is to be the rectangular shaped plaque with Louisiana outlined in a three-dimensional look. (Refer to Awards Committee, Officer's and Committee Guide)
6. AWARDS COMMITTEE MEETINGS - The President-Elect shall be invited to all Awards Committee Meetings. (Refer to Awards Committee, Officer's and Committee Guide)
7. ANNUAL MEETING, REGISTRATION OF MEMBERS - Upon registration at the annual meeting, LPHA members are to receive distinguishing name badges identifying them as members. (Governing Council January 14, 1981)
8. AWARDS COMMITTEE - EX-OFFICIO MEMBER - "That the preceding year's chairman o the Awards Committee be kept on for one subsequent year as an ex-officio member without voting privileges."
9. ANNUAL MEETING - PERIODICITY - "Only one general meeting of the Association will be held annually." (Governing Council, August 6, 1962)
10. ANNUAL MEETING - EXHIBIT FEES - See E - General Policy
11. AWARDS COMMITTEE - ONLY ONE AWARD - "Only one award in each category (Meritorious, Members, Public Service, Founders and Louise

McFarland) is to be awarded each year at the banquet at the Annual Meeting when deserving candidates are nominated."

12. APHA - REPRESENTATIVE OF LPHA - One delegate only representing LPHA. (Governing Council, July 23, 1982)
13. ADVERTISEMENTS IN LPHA PUBLICATIONS - are authorized and encouraged by the Governing Council. (Governing Council, January 15-16, 1985)
14. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN -

Position Statement: The Louisiana Public Health Association, Inc., in its goal of promoting the health of the public, reaffirms that its membership and leadership positions are open to everyone regardless of their race, color, sex, national origin, age, religion, handicap, veteran status, or socio-economic status.

Implementation Plan: The Association shall ascribe to an internal and external process of development and implementation of affirmative action strategies. Items 1-6 relate to internal affirmative action elements. Item 7 relates to external affirmative action planning.

- a. Responsibility: The Association and each of its constituent unit shall be fully committed to ensuring that steps are taken to implement the Affirmative Action Position Statement and to achieve its goals. The President and Governing Council shall be charged with the responsibility of implementing, monitoring, evaluating, and revising the Affirmative Action Plan.
- b. Membership: The Membership Committee shall ensure that mailings and recruitment efforts are directed at organizations which advocate the interests of and/or have substantial membership from vulnerable groups. In order to more clearly ascertain the makeup of the Association's membership and to carefully monitor the progress towards affirmative action, the Membership Committee shall add to the membership profile form the following: "The following information is being gathered for informational purposes only. You are not required to provide this information. Racial/Ethnic Group ____; Sex ____; Handicapped - Yes ____ No ____ "
- c. Nomination Process: The President shall actively consider the Affirmative Action Plan when making appointments to the Committee. The Nomination Committee shall ensure that representatives of vulnerable groups are actively considered during the nomination process. Announcements regarding the recruitment of officers for the Association and the election shall be made through both the divisions and the newsletter. The President shall make a personal appeal through the newsletter and other means to encourage members of vulnerable groups to seek leadership positions with the Association.
- d. Meetings: The President and Governing Council shall ensure that all conferences sponsored and/or co-sponsored by the Association and its organizational units shall be held in barrier-free locations.

- e. Exhibitors and Advertisers: The Local Arrangements Committee and Publications Committee shall solicit and encourage those exhibitors or advertisers who are Equal Opportunity Employers for Association business.
 - f. Purchasing and Vending: The Executive Committee of the Governing Council shall ensure that whenever possible, the Association's purchasing power is used affirmatively in contracts and capital outlay purchases.
 - g. Health Problems and Service Gaps Among Vulnerable Populations: The Association shall assume a pro-active position in seeking to be more responsive to the need to focus on health issues within minority and vulnerable populations. Organized efforts will be made approach other groups of related interests including nontraditional groups not necessarily affiliated with LPHA to network and stimulate solutions to health issues and concerns.
 - h. All stationary, membership literature, newsletters, advertisements, bid forms, brochures, etc. shall carry the statement "An Equal Opportunity Association."
15. AWARDS - DISCONTINUED - In the early 1990's it became obvious that LPHA needed to update its awards to eliminate the use of personal names. In 1991/1992, an ad-hoc committee composed of LPHA past-presidents, with input from at least eight past-presidents, developed the current four awards (Meritorious, Member's, President's, and Founder's). The new Awards and related changes were approved by the Governing Council in January and July 1992. New Awards were given the first time at the 1993 Annual Conference.
16. ANNUAL MEETING FUND, COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS - The number of complimentary icebreaker or banquet tickets are to be kept to a minimum with a list of recipients to be worked out by the President in consultation with the Chairmen of local arrangements, program, and awards. Governing Council members are not to receive complimentary tickets unless they are receiving an award. (A suggestion on who might be given tickets includes awards and lifetime membership recipients and one guest, general session speakers who stay over, and local, parish, state, or federal dignitaries.) (The Treasurer may send an amount as designated by current budget, as needed, to Local Arrangements to set up the annual meeting fund.) (Governing Council, February 9, 1996)

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1. BANNERS - See Flags, General Policy
2. BUDGET - Is to be prepared by the Finance Committee Chair in conjunction with the Treasurer, prior to the July Governing Council Meeting. (Refer to Finance Committee.)
3. BUDGET PREPARATION - All budget items will be listed according to category, postage, printing, etc. Individual's names and names of organizations are not to be shown in the budget, nor lump sum dollar amounts for more than one categorical item, postage and printing. (See Finance Committee - Officer's and Committee Guide.) (Governing Council April 4, 1979.)
4. BOOK MEMORIAL - Changed to Memorial Award (Governing Council February 6-7, 1997.) (See Memorial Award - Officer's and Committee Guide)

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1. CUSTODIAN OF LPHA BANNER - The individual holding the office of Secretary/President- Elect shall be responsible for the LPHA banner each year and will be stored at LPHA office. (Governing Council, July 28, 1986) See Secretary/President-Elect, Officer's and Committee Guide
2. CHECKS - The President, Secretary/President-Elect, and Treasurer are bonded and are authorized to sign checks of LPHA. (Governing Council, February 6-7, 1997) Refer to Officer's and Committee Guide.
3. CONFERENCE, ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL – Monies are to be added (each year) to the Annual Educational Conference. (Governing Council, February 6-7, 1997)

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1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Any references made to the "Board of Directors" refer to Executive Committee. (Governing Council, July 24, 1969.)
2. EXHIBITORS FEES, ANNUAL MEETING - Exhibitor Fees will be set at Council meeting. (Governing Council, January 26, 198.2)

3. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS** - The Nominating Committee, which is composed of the Section Chairs and the Immediate Past-President, is responsible for preparing and presenting a slate of two or more eligible candidates for each elective position. Every third year a treasurer and a delegate to APHA are to be included on the slate. The committee will arrange for the printing of the ballots, using a different color ballot for each office. In addition, voting packets will be made available at the registration desk upon request to members that must leave the meeting early. These packets will contain a list of candidates, one ballot for each position, a release form, and an envelope. Ballots and signed release forms, which state the member forgoes the right to vote during the general business meeting, will be returned to the registration desk in the sealed envelope. These envelopes will be forwarded to the Nominating Committee prior to the election at the general business meeting.

The President shall conduct the election at the general business meeting at the annual meeting. The election for the Secretary/President-Elect shall be the first order of business, followed by the elections for Treasurer, then First Vice-President, then Second Vice-President. (Governing Council, February 9, 1996.)

The list of candidates compiled by the Nominating Committee shall be presented prior to receiving nominations from the floor.

Members of the Nominating Committee will serve as tellers for the election by:

- 1) Distributing ballots to LPHA members with identification badges.
- 2) Collecting and counting the votes, including absenteeism votes.
- 3) Reporting the results immediately to the President via the Chairperson.

If no candidate receives a majority vote on the first ballot, the candidate receiving the smallest number of votes shall be dropped after each ballot in succession until a majority vote is obtained. (Governing Council, July 21, 2000.)

The President, upon receiving the results of the elections, will announce them to the general assembly. (Governing Council February 9, 1996)

4. **EXHIBITS** - The primary purpose of exhibits is to provide income to support the LPHA annual meeting. Exhibitors are selected to bring, on site, service and products/product information of interest to the membership. The Governing Council sets an exhibitors-fee, which should be paid before allowing the exhibit to be set-up or by prior agreement for payment with the exhibitor. Exhibit space should be allotted using the following priority:
 - 1) Health Related Exhibits
 - 2) Non-Health Related Exhibits
 - 3) Non-Profit Professional Organizations

Non-profit professional organizations may be granted courtesy exhibit space at the annual meeting depending on space availability and at least a 10 day request

from the organization. A fee paying non-profit professional organization shall be considered in priority # 1. Non-health related exhibitors shall be charged the same exhibit fee as health related exhibitors.

Definitions:

Health Related Exhibits - products and/or services used in delivery of public health service, such as, pharmaceuticals, office equipment or supplies, nursing uniforms, sewage treatment systems, literature, etc.

Non-Health Related Exhibits - not directly related to public health but may be used by public health employees on or off their jobs, such as, jewelry, mowing equipment, sporting goods, leather goods, etc.

Non-Profit Professional Organizations - examples, environmental health, clerical associations, nursing associations, lung, kidney, health associations, medical society, etc. (Governing Council, July 21, 1987)

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1. **FLAGS AND BANNERS** Criteria for Flags and Banners: the Council recommends using flags and banners smaller than 4'x6', but it will use one larger when no others are available and hang them somewhat apart from LPHA's banner so that LPHA's banner will at all times occupy the prominent place. (Governing Council, July 24, 1969)

The individual holding the office of Secretary/President-Elect shall be custodian of the LPHA banner each year and is to be stored at Region 2 LPHA office. The Secretary/President-Elect will be responsible to bring the banner to each annual meeting of the Association, see that it is prominently displayed, and following the meeting, turn the banner over to the newly elected Secretary/President-Elect. (Governing Council, July 28, 1986.)

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1. **GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING, ELIGIBILITY FOR EXPENSES**
Reimbursement of expenses to the Governing Council Meeting will be paid to:
 - a) All Voting members of the Governing Council
 - b) Special Committee Chairmen and guests who are issued an invitation by the President. (Governing Council, July 22, 1965)
2. **GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING, RATE OF REIMBURSEMENT**
See LPHA Policies Governing Authorized Travel Expenses (after General Policy Section) for rate of reimbursement and Expense Claim Form. LPHA reimburses

travel expenses according to the current Louisiana Travel Regulations.
(Governing Council, July, 1986.)

3. GOVERNING COUNCIL ATTENDANCE - (See also G-4) - Any member of LPHA may attend LPHA governing council meetings. However, they cannot participate in the deliberations unless requested to do so by the President. Seating will be provided but no other arrangements will be provided. (Governing Council, January 12, 1977.)
4. GOVERNING COUNCIL POST CONVENTION MEETING - Is not to be attended by out-going Section Chair. (Governing Council, April 19, 1972)
5. GOVERNING COUNCIL POSTAGE - When members of the Governing Council need postage they are to buy necessary postage and submit the receipt to the Treasurer for reimbursement. (Governing Council, January 15, 1970.)
6. GOVERNING COUNCIL, OFFICER'S COMMITTEE GUIDE - A meeting of the Governing Council is held in the late summer and is devoted to the completing the "Official Family", such as expired Positions on the Executive Committee and other important Committee assignments, and to set the "Meeting Calendar" for the next year. (Governing Council, July 16, 1980.) (Governing Council, January 26, 1982.)
7. GOVERNING COUNCIL, JANUARY MEETING - sets an agenda for legislative and other important issues, for the current calendar year.
8. GOVERNING COUNCIL ENDORSEMENTS - The LPHA and its Governing Council are not to participate in the endorsement and/or promotion of any business or company. (Governing Council February 6-7, 1997)

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1. HISTORIAN - Vernon "Buck" Parker was appointed Historian and custodian of LPHA records. (Governing Council, May, 1980.)

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1. ICEBREAKER - See Local Arrangements Committee, Officer's and Committee Guide

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1. LIFETIME MEMBER - A member of LPHA who has retired in good standing and who has been an active member (Governing Council, Section Officer, Local Arrangements, etc.) in good standing for at least ten years may be awarded a Lifetime Membership in LPHA. A bill for dues would not be sent to Lifetime Members. Nominations for Lifetime Members shall be submitted by the Section Chair (on behalf of retirees in their sections) to the Governing Council for approval. Members of the Governing Council may submit nominations on behalf of eligible retirees not affiliated with a section. It should be emphasized that retirement alone is not justification for lifetime membership. Rather, Lifetime Membership should be considered for a very select few who have earned the designation by their hard work for LPHA. In fact, the selection of one as Lifetime Member is an award for past services to LPHA, and is not intended to discourage continued active participation in LPHA, Once approved by the Governing Council, the Treasurer is to send Lifetime Membership cards to the new Lifetime Members. Each year at the annual Awards Banquet, the Awards Committee Chair shall present Lifetime Member certificates to the LPHA Lifetime Members approved by the Governing Council in the previous year. (Governing Council January 25, 1982)

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1. MARGARET MOORE APPRECIATION FUND
The name of this fund to be changed to read "Margaret Moore Appreciation Fund." (Governing Council July 18, 1968) The money in this fund is to be used to finance speakers for the convention, within the limit of the budget, until completely expended. (Governing Council January 20, 1971) Special Committee reported on possible uses of this fund. Dr. Bruce moved to accept recommendations of the Committee: "Every other year (or when feasible) that the interest on the principal be used to defray expenses for a lecture entitled "The Margaret Moore Memorial Lecture" to be held during the general session of the annual meeting of the LPHA, the topic and choice of speaker to be left up to the Program Committee. (Governing Council January 21, 1965.)

* According to Louisiana Public Health Association Policy, the money in this fund was depleted with the transfer of the remaining money over to the Louisiana Public Health Association Scholarship Fund. The name of Margaret Moore will be added to the plaque honoring donors to the Louisiana Public Health Association Scholarship Fund.
2. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE - Authorized to purchase up to 500 posters for distribution throughout the state. (Governing Council January 18, 1978) Refer to p.81. Allowed \$150.00 per year for membership promotion. (Governing Council

January 18, 1978) Refer to Membership Committee, Officer's and Committee Guide

3. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, IN-SERVICE TRAINING - It was agreed that the Chairman of the Membership Committee be reimbursed for travel to In-Service meetings to promote membership, on the same basis as paid for regular travel, to be limited to a maximum of six meetings annually. (Governing Council July 12, 1966) Refer to Membership Committee, Officer's and Committee Guide

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1. NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS - All nominees, nominators, and the Nominating Committee shall be active, paid-up members of LPHA. Eligibility for nomination shall be verified by the Nominating Committee Chairman from a current membership list obtained from the Treasurer. The Nominating Committee will present a slate of candidates for each position to be filled (preferably at least 2 candidates for each position). (Governing Council, July 11, 1995.)

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1. PROCEDURAL MANUAL COMMITTEE - Monies are available for maintaining manual up to date. Refer to current year's budget. (Governing Council January 18, 1978) Refer to Second Vice-President, Officer's and Committee Members Guide
2. PRESIDENT'S PLAQUE - Plaques with suspended gavels on them are to be presented to outgoing Presidents instead of just the small gavel. (Governing Council, July 31, 1967.)
3. PRESIDENT'S HOSPITALITY SUITE – Monies are available for this event. Refer to current year's budget. (Governing Council January 12, 1977)
4. PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN - is to provide to the APHA publication-"The Nations Health"-timely articles about public health activities in Louisiana. (Governing Council January 26, 1972) Refer to Public Relations Committee, Officer's and Committee Members Guide.
5. PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE – Monies are available for the purpose of having pictures of LPHA activities taken and printed in enlarged pre and post convention newsletters of LPHA. (Governing Council July 18, 1968) and having

pictures of Award Recipients enlarged and presented to individual recipients. The Public Relations Chair shall coordinate with local arrangements for the taking of pictures of awards recipients. (Governing Council July 24, 1969) (Governing Council January 26, 1982) (Governing Council July 21, 1983)

6. SECRETARY/PRESIDENT-ELECT MEETING - LPHA will pay the cost of sending our delegate to the APHA President-Elect meeting of APHA affiliated organizations according to current Louisiana Travel Regulations. (Governing Council January 18, 1968)
7. PROGRAMS - The Program Committee and the Local Arrangements Committee shall be responsible for arrangements for printing the programs for the annual meeting. (Governing Council July 11, 1979) Refer to Officer's and Committee Members Guide.
8. PAST PRESIDENTS ROUND TABLE - As the name implies, this resource committee is composed of Past Presidents of LPHA and would be used by the LPHA President as needed. The Immediate Past President serves as Chairman of the ROUND TABLE, which is to meet on Thursday at the Annual Meeting.
9. PARLIAMENTARIAN - The appointed Parliamentarian acts as "watch-dog" over the Constitution, By-Laws, and Policy of LPHA at meetings of the Governing Council and annual meetings to assure that the provisions of the Constitution, By-Laws, and Policy are being complied with and that no action is taken that is contrary to these provisions.
10. PUBLICATIONS - Advertisements in LPHA publications are authorized and encouraged by the Governing Council. (Governing Council January 15-16, 1985) Refer to A -General Policy.
11. PRESIDENT - The President and Secretary/President-Elect of LPHA are also authorized to sign checks of LPHA. (Governing Council February 6-7, 1997) Refer to Officer's and Committee Members Guide, President and Secretary/President-Elect.

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1. RESOLUTIONS - Thanking speakers, hotel management, etc. were dispensed with (from henceforth). (Governing Council April 19, 1972.) Refer to Resolutions Committee, Officer's and Committee Guide

2. REGISTRATION OF -MEMBERS, ANNUAL MEETING - Upon registration at the annual meeting, LPHA members are to receive distinguishing name badges identifying them as members. (Governing Council January 14, 1981.) Refer to A - General Policy
3. REGISTRATION FEE AT ANNUAL MEETING - FOR NON-MEMBERS - Shall be equal to or greater than the sum of the registration fee for members plus the amount of annual dues for an active member. The option to join LPHA at registration will always be open and available to non-members. (Governing Council Jan 15-16, 1985.). Refer to Local Arrangements Committee, Officer's and Committee Guide
4. REFUND POLICY:
 - A. There will be no refunds of membership dues, period.
 - B. Requests for refunds of fee other than membership dues must be received by the Treasurer within 15 calendar days after the close of the Annual Meeting.
 - C. Requests must be accompanied by a report justifying the non-attendance and the request for refund. Family medical emergencies and similar strong reasons are worthy of consideration for refunds. The final decision to grant refunds or deny refunds rests with the LPHA Treasurer. Frivolous requests will not be considered.
 - D. If the Treasurer rules that a refund is to be granted, the amount (other than dues) of the refund will be reduced by \$10.00 (processing fee).
 EXAMPLE: Amount submitted = \$65.00 (Dues \$15.00, Regis. \$25.00, Activities \$25.00) Amount of refund = \$50.00 - \$10.00 Processing Fee = \$40.00 (Governing Council July 11, 1995)

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1. SCRAPBOOK OF LPHA - To be maintained by the LPHA Historian. (Governing Council, January 26, 1982.)
2. SECTION - BUDGET ALLOWANCE - Each section is allowed monetary assistance for postage, etc. (each year). Sections may be granted funds to provide a speaker for their meetings. Funds may be accessed by written request with justification to the President. The President and Executive Committee are charged with making the decision with an upper limit in line with the current year's budget. (Governing Council, July 20, 2000) (Governing Council, January 12, 1977)
3. SECRETARY/PRESIDENT-ELECT - Secretarial assistance is available to cover cost of obtaining assistance for this office. Refer to current year's budget. (Governing Council, August 26, 1993) Refer to Secretary/President-Elect, Officer's and Committee Members Guide.

4. SPEAKERS - Funds for General Session Speakers at the Annual Meeting will be available per current year's budget. (Governing Council, February 6-7, 1997.)

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1. TREASURER SECRETARIAL FEES – Secretarial assistance is available to cover cost of obtaining assistance for this office. Refer to current year's budget. (Governing Council January 23, 1969)
2. TREASURER - after consultation with the President and Finance Committee Chair, is authorized to transfer LPHA funds from one account to another in the best interest of LPHA. (Governing Council Jan 15-16, 1985.) Refer to Treasurer, Officers and Committee Members Guide
3. TERM OF TREASURER - The term of the Treasurer's office is changed from one year to three years under Article 2. (General Business Meeting March 20, 1992). Refer to Article II, Nominations and Elections, By-Laws

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LPHA TRAVEL POLICY
POLICY STATEMENT GOVERNING AUTHORIZED EXPENSES

LPHA will pay for subsistence and transportation expenses of Governing Council members (voting members) and other individuals invited by the President to attend regular or special meetings of the Governing Council upon submission of a completed Travel and Expense Reimbursement Form with appropriate documentation. Reimbursement for expenses to attend other meetings/conferences as an official LPHA representative shall have prior approval of the Governing Council or Executive Committee. Expenses will be reimbursed according to current Louisiana Travel Regulations.

LPHA funds are placed in the care of the Governing Council for the conduct of official business of the Association. It is the responsibility of these LPHA policy makers to insure that all expenditures of Association funds are reasonable and legitimate.

MODE OF TRAVEL

When private automobiles are used in the conduct of Association business, LPHA will reimburse according to current Louisiana Travel Regulations for travel outside the immediate city of residence of the traveler. If use of private automobiles for out-of-state travel is preferred, reimbursement shall not exceed the amount of round-trip tourist/coach airfare. Reimbursement shall not exceed the cost of commercial or common carrier round-trip airfare except in special circumstances. Prior approval of the Governing Council/ Executive Committee is required. Charges for airport transportation in arriving and departing are a legitimate charge to LPHA. Receipts for airport transportation service are requested when possible and required if the charge exceeds amount listed in current Louisiana Travel Regulations.

HOTELS

The average single room rate for a conveniently located commercial or non-luxury hotel will be the basis for reimbursement to those on approved Association business. Any additional cost for special accommodations shall be defrayed by the individual, except in special circumstances. Special circumstances should have approval before the expenses are incurred.

MEALS

Meal expenses should not include entertainment, cabaret, tipping, or other special charges and shall not exceed the current Louisiana Travel Regulations per diem. For out-of-state meal allowances refer to the current State of Louisiana travel policy or contact the president of LPHA.

SUBSISTENCE

Subsistence expenses in the city in which the meeting is held are expected normally to commence no earlier than the day preceding the scheduled meeting, nor continue beyond the day of adjournment of the meeting. Special circumstances or travel connections or other situations that require extra time must have Governing Council/Executive Committee approval and should be explained through notation on the Travel and Reimbursement Form.

REIMBURSEMENT OF REGISTRATION FEES

Reimbursement of registration fees shall be made at the pre-registration rate for official representatives of LPHA attending meetings/conferences. Late registration fees will be reimbursed only under special circumstances and must have Executive Committee/Governing Council approval.

OTHER ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP DUES

Individual membership dues in other organizations shall not be paid by LPHA except in special situations and must have Governing Council approval. If a dues assessment is part of a meeting/conference registration, the official LPHA representative is responsible to pay the individual membership dues and /or special assessment.

SUBMISSION OF TRAVEL AND REIMBURSEMENT FORMS

Claim forms must be complete with expenses itemized and appropriate receipts attached. Completed claim forms are to be submitted to the Treasurer of LPHA for reimbursement. The Treasurer may refer excessive and/or questionable claims to the Executive Committee for approval before reimbursement. All requests for exceptions to these travel policies will be referred to the Executive Committee.

PAST OFFICERS

1948-1949

Dr. Ben Freedman	President
Miss Caroline Quigley	First Vice-President
Mr. A.G. Owens	Second Vice-President
Mrs. Velma Brusse	Secretary-Treasurer

1949-1950

Dr. Ben Freedman	President
Mr. Luther Hortman	First Vice-President
Miss Margaret Moore	Second Vice-President
Mrs. Velma Brusse	Secretary-Treasurer

1950-1951

Mr. Luther Hortman	President
Mrs. Thelma Applewhite	First Vice-President
Mr. William J. Nobel	Second Vice-President
Mrs. Velma Brusse	Secretary-Treasurer

1951-1952

Mrs. Thelma Applewhite	President
Dr. Kendrick Taylor	First Vice-President
Miss Louise Guidry	Second Vice-President
Mr. Anthony Ciaccio	Secretary-Treasurer

1952-1953

Mr. Anthony Ciaccio	President
Mr. William J. Noble	First Vice-President
Dr. Murphy P. Martin	Second Vice-President
Dr. T. D. Boaz, Jr.	Secretary-Treasurer

1953-1954

Dr. T. D. Boaz, Jr.	President
Dr. Murphy P. Martin	First Vice-President
Mr. John Lemasson	Second Vice-President
Dr. George H. Hauser	Secretary-Treasurer
Dr. Ben Freedman	Delegate to the APHA

1954-1955

Dr. George H. Hauser	President
Mrs. Velma Brusse	First Vice-President
Mr. George M. Ineichen	Second Vice-President
Mr. Lloyd Methe	Secretary-Treasurer
Dr. Ben Freedman	Delegate to the APHA

1955-1956
Mr. Lloyd Methe President
Dr. S. J. Phillips First Vice-President
Miss Lucille Sawyer Second Vice-President
Miss Margaret Moore Treasurer
Dr. Ben Freedman Delegate to the APHA

1956-1957
Miss Margaret Moore President
Dr. W. J. Sandidge First Vice-President
Miss Dorothy Dickinson Second Vice-President
Mrs. Velma P. Brusse Treasurer
Dr. Ben Freedman Delegate to the APHA

1957-1958
Mrs. Velma P. Brusse President
Dr. Kendrick Taylor First Vice-President
Mr. Bickham Pardue Second Vice-President
Mrs. Lucille Sawyer Secretary
Mr. L. C. Santana Treasurer
Dr. Ben Freedman Delegate to the APHA

1958-1959
Mrs. Lucille Sawyer President
Mr. John Lemasson First Vice-President
Mr. A. G. Owens Second Vice-President
Dr. Andrew Hedmeg Secretary
Miss Lillian Edwards Treasurer
Dr. Ben Freedman Delegate to the APHA

1959-1960
Dr. Andrew Hedmeg President
Mr. George Ineichen First Vice-President
Mr. E. J. Sylvester Second Vice-President
Miss Lucille Godelfer Secretary
Miss Madge Kelly Treasurer
Dr. Andrew Hedmeg Delegate to the APHA

1960-1961
Miss Lucille Godelfer President
Miss Madge Kelly First Vice-President
Mrs. Odie Lee Gossett Second Vice-President
Mr. A. G. Owens Secretary
Mr. George M. Ineichen Treasurer
Dr. Andrew Hedmeg Delegate to the APHA

1961-1962

Mr. A. G. Owens	President
Mr. John Bruce	First Vice-President
Miss Edna Irl Mewhinney	Second Vice-President
Mr. George Ineichen	Secretary
Mr. John Lemasson	Treasurer
Dr. Andrew Hedmeg	Delegate to the APHA

1962-1963

Mr. George Ineichen	President
Dr. John Bruce	First Vice-President
Mr. William Noble	Second Vice-President
Mr. John Lemasson	Secretary
Miss Edna Irl Mewhinney	Treasurer
Dr. Andrew Hedmeg	Delegate to the APHA

1963-1964

Mr. John Lemasson	President
Mr. William Noble	First Vice-President
Mr. Joseph Newman	Second Vice-President
Miss Edna Irl Mewhinney	Secretary
Dr. John Bruce	Treasurer
Dr. Andrew Hedmeg	Delegate to the APHA
Mr. John Lemasson	Delegate to Southern Branch

1964-1965

Miss Edna Irl Mewhinney	President
Mr. Osborn Willis	First Vice-President
Miss Iris Day	Second Vice-President
Dr. John Bruce	Secretary
Mr. William Noble	Treasurer
Miss Edna Irl Mewhinney	Delegate to the APHA
Miss Edna Irl Mewhinney	Delegate to Southern Branch

1965-1966

Dr. John Bruce	President
Mr. Bickham Pardue	First Vice-President
Mr. Vernon "Buck" Parker	Second Vice-President
Mr. William Noble	Secretary
Mr. Osborn Willis	Treasurer
Dr. John Bruce	Delegate to the APHA
Mr. William Noble	Delegate to Southern Branch

1966-1967

Mr. William Noble	President
Mr. Vernon "Buck" Parker	First Vice-President

Miss Madge Kelly	Second Vice-President
Mr. Osborn Willis	Secretary
Mr. Bickham Pardue	Treasurer
Dr. John Bruce	Delegate to the APHA
Mr. Osborn Willis	Delegate to Southern Branch

1967-1968

Mr. Osborn Willis	President
Dr. James Dupree	First Vice-President
Mrs. Dorothy "Pat" Talbot	Second Vice-President
Mr. Vernon "Buck" Parker	Secretary
Miss Madge Kelly	Treasurer
Dr. W. Carroll Summer	Delegate to APHA
Mr. Vernon "Buck" Parker	Delegate to Southern Branch

1968-1969

Mr. Vernon "Buck" Parker	President
Mr. A. Frank Boyd, Jr.	First Vice-President
Mrs. Willie Jean Shields	Second Vice-President
Mrs. Dorothy "Pat" Talbot	Secretary
Miss Madge Kelly	Treasurer
Dr. John Bruce	Delegate to APHA
Mrs. Dorothy "Pat" Talbot	Delegate to Southern Branch

1969-1970

Mrs. Dorothy "Pat" Talbot	President
Mr. J. C. Watson	First Vice-President
Mr. Dobie Barras	Second Vice-President
Mrs. Willie Jean Shields	Secretary
Mr. Homer J. Osborn	Treasurer
Miss Lillian Edwards	Delegate to APHA
Mrs. Willie Jean Shields	Delegate to Southern Branch

1970-1971

Mrs. Willie Jean Shields	President
Mr. J. C. Watson	First Vice-President
Dr. Sarah M. Braud	Second Vice-President
Mr. Gerald Healy, Jr.	Secretary
Miss Joan Ritchie	Treasurer
Mrs. Maudye H. Myrick	Delegate to APHA
Mr. Gerald Healy, Jr.	Delegate to Southern Branch

1971-1972

Mr. Gerald D. Healy, Jr.	President
Dr. Sarah M. Braud	First Vice-President
Mr. W. Findley Raymond	Second Vice-President

Miss Joan Ritchie	Treasurer
Mr. J. C. Watson	Secretary/President Elect
Mrs. Maudye H. Myrick	Delegate to APHA
Mr. Gerald D. Healy, Jr.	Delegate to Southern Branch

1972-1973	
Mr. J. C. Watson	President
Dr. Sarah M. Braud	Secretary/President-Elect
Mr. Paul P. Scheppf	First Vice-President
Mrs. Sallie Snapp	Second Vice-President
Miss Joan Ritchie	Treasurer
Mrs. Maudye H. Myrick	Delegate to APHA
Mr. J. C. Watson	Delegate to Southern Branch

1973-1974	
Dr. Sarah M. Braud	President
Mr. Paul P. Scheppf	Secretary/President-Elect
Mr. W. Findley Raymond	First Vice-President
Mr. Charles H. Gillham	Second Vice-President
Mrs. Claudia Bourgeois	Treasurer
Dr. Sarah M. Braud	Delegate to APHA
Mr. J. C. Watson	Delegate to Southern Branch

1974-1975	
Mr. Paul P. Scheppf	President
Mrs. Maudye H. Myrick	Secretary/President-Elect
Mr. Charles H. Gillham	First Vice-President
Mrs. Rose Mary Coerver	Second Vice-President
Mr. Homer J. Osborn	Treasurer
Dr. Sarah M. Braud	Delegate to APHA
Mr. J. C. Watson	Delegate to Southern Branch

1975-1976	
Mrs. Maudye Myrick	President
Mr. W. Findley Raymond	Secretary/President-Elect
Ms. Nell Roberts First	Vice-President
Mr. Clifton Murphy	Second Vice-President
Mr. Homer J. Osborn	Treasurer
Dr. Sarah M. Braud	Delegate to APHA
Mr. J.C. Watson	Delegate to Southern Branch

1976-1977	
Mr. W. Findley Raymond	President
Ms. Nell Roberts	Secretary/President-Elect
Dr. Pattie Van Hook	First Vice-President

Mr. Perry Watson
Mr. Paul Scheppf
Dr. Sarah M. Braud
Mr. J.C. Watson

Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA
Delegate to Southern Branch

1977-1978

Ms. Nell Roberts
Dr. Pattie Van Hook
Mr. Clifton Murphy
Mrs. Ardis Lamb
Mr. Paul Scheppf
Dr. Sarah M. Braud
Mr. J. C. Watson

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA
Delegate to Southern Branch

1978-1979

Dr. Pattie Van Hook
Mr. Clifton Murphy
Mr. Perry Watson
Mrs. Claudia S. Bourgeois
Mrs. Dollye Frazier
Dr. Sarah M. Braud
Mr. J.C. Watson

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA
Delegate to Southern Branch

1979-1980

Mr. Clifton Murphy
Mr. Perry V. Watson, Jr.
Mrs. Mildred Bailey
Mrs. Rachel Rhinehart
Mrs. Dollye Frazier
Dr. Sarah M. Braud
Mr. J. C. Watson

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA
Delegate to Southern Branch

1980-1981

Mr. Perry V. Watson, Jr.
Mrs. Ardis Lamb
Mrs. Mildred Bailey
Mr. Elmer Dunnehoo
Mrs. Dollye Frazier
Dr. Sarah M. Braud
Mrs. Ardis Lamb

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA
Delegate to Southern Branch

1981-1982

Mrs. Ardis Lamb
Dr. Charles Caraway
Mrs. Mildred Bailey
Mrs. Christine Cabirac

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President

Mrs. Dollye Frazier
Dr. Sarah M. Braud
Mrs. Ardis Lamb

Treasurer
Delegate to APHA
Delegate to Southern Branch

1982-1983

Dr. Charles Caraway
Dr. Samuel "Nick" Neel
Dr. Bruce Butler
Mrs. Christine Cabirac
Mrs. Dollye Frazier
Dr. Sarah M. Braud
Mrs. Ardis Lamb

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA
Delegate to Southern Health Association

1983-1984

Dr. Samuel N. Neel
Dr. Bruce Butler
Ms. Chris Cabirac
Mrs. Pat Ortego
Mrs. Dollye Frazier
Dr. Sarah M. Braud
Mrs. Ardis Lamb

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA
Delegate to Southern Health Association

1984-1985

Dr. Bruce Butler
Mrs. Mildred Bailey
Mrs. Joanna Bolton
Mrs. Pat Ortego
Mrs. Willie Jean Shields
Dr. Sarah Braud
Mrs. Ardis Lamb

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA
Delegate to Southern Health Association

1985-1986

Mrs. Mildred C. Bailey
Mrs. Joanna Bolton
Ms. Carolyn Phillips
Miss Kathryn Liuzza
Mrs. Willie Jean Shields
Dr. Sarah Braud

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA

1986-1987

Mrs. Joanna Bolton
Ms. Carolyn Phillips
Miss Kathryn Liuzza
Dr. Larry Maturin
Mrs. Willie Jean Shields
Dr. Sarah Braud

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA

1987-1988

Ms. Carolyn Phillips	President
Miss Kathryn Liuzza	Secretary/President-Elect
Mrs. Ellyce Goins	First Vice-President
Mr. Walter Morse	Second Vice-President
Mrs. Patricia Ortego	Treasurer
Dr. Sarah Braud	Delegate to APHA

1988-1989

Miss Kathryn Liuzza	President
Mrs. Ellyce Goins	Secretary/President-Elect
Mrs. Pat Wilkerson	First Vice-President
Mr. Glynn R. Shelton	Second Vice-President
Mrs. Patricia Ortego	Treasurer
Dr. Sarah Braud	Delegate to APHA

1989-1990

Mrs. Ellyce Goins	President
Mrs. Patricia Ortego	Secretary/President-Elect
Mrs. Jamie Roques	First Vice-President
Mrs. Margie Gibbs	Second Vice-President
Mrs. Ardis Lamb	Treasurer
Dr. Sarah Braud	Delegate to APHA

1990-1991

Mrs. Pat Ortego	President
Mrs. Pat Wilkerson	Secretary/President-Elect
Mrs. Susan Daigle	First Vice-President
Dr. Louis Trachtman	Second Vice-President
Mrs. Ardis Lamb	Treasurer
Mrs. Ellyce Goins	Delegate to APHA

1991-1992

Mrs. Pat Wilkerson	President
Mr. Billy Goins	Secretary/President-Elect
Mrs. Lisa Longfellow	First Vice-President
Dr. Frank Franks	Second Vice-President
Mrs. Ardis Lamb	Treasurer
Mrs. Jamie Roques	Delegate to APHA

1992-1993

Mr. Billy Goins	President
Mrs. Lisa Longfellow	Secretary/President-Elect
Mr. Claude Carbo	First Vice-President
Mrs. Betty Hebert	Second Vice-President

Mrs. Ardis Lamb
Mrs. Jamie Roques

Treasurer
Delegate to APHA

1993-1994

Mrs. Lisa Longfellow
Dr. Louis Trachtman
Mrs. Margie Gibbs
Mr. Francis Vickery
Mrs. Ardis Lamb
Mrs. Jamie Roques

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA

1994-1995

Dr. Louis Trachtman
Mr. Jimmy Gum
Ms. Debbie Kuhns
Mrs. Betty Hebert
Mrs. Ardis Lamb
Mr. Clifford Murphy

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA

1995-1996

Mr. Jimmy Gum
Mrs. Jamie Roques
Dr. Jimmy Guidry
Mrs. Burma Smith
Mrs. Ardis Lamb
Mr. Clifford Murphy

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA

1996-1997

Mrs. Jamie Roques
Dr. Jimmy Guidry
Mrs. Betty Hebert
Mr. Steve McAdams
Mrs. Ardis Lamb
Mr. Clifford Murphy

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA

1997-1998

Dr. Jimmy Guidry
Dr. Larry Hebert
Mr. Chuck Methvien
Mr. David Thomas
Mrs. Ardis Lamb
Mr. Cliff Murphy

President
Secretary/President-Elect
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer
Delegate to APHA

1998-1999

Dr. Larry Hebert
Mr. Larry Richard

President
Secretary/President-Elect

Mr. Brenden Deloach	First Vice-President
Ms. Debbie Kuhns	Second Vice-President
Mrs. Ardis Lamb	Treasurer
Mr. Clifton Murphy	Delegate to APHA
1999-2000	
Mr. Larry Richard	President
Mr. David Thomas	Secretary/President-Elect
Dr. Gary Peck	First Vice-President
Mr. Dohn Alexander	Second Vice-President
Mr. Jim Gilbert	Treasurer
Mr. Clifton Murphy	Delegate to APHA
2000-2001	
Mr. David Thomas	President
Mrs. Margie Gibbs	Secretary/President-Elect
Mrs. Doris Brown	First Vice-President
Mr. Fred Duplechin	Second Vice-President
Mr. Jim Gilbert	Treasurer
Ms. Carolyn Phillips	Delegate to APHA
2001-2002	
Mrs. Margie Gibbs	President
Mrs. Doris Brown	Secretary/President-Elect
Ms. Suzanne Wall	First Vice-President
Ms. Robin Basone	Second Vice-President
Mr. Jim Gilbert	Treasurer
Ms. Carolyn Phillips	Delegate to APHA
2002-2003	
Mrs. Doris Brown	President
Ms. Suzanne Wall	Secretary/President-Elect
Mr. Steve McAdams	First Vice-President
Ms. Anita Delaup	Second Vice-President
Mr. Jim Gilbert	Treasurer
Ms. Carolyn Phillips	Delegate to APHA
2003-2004	
Ms. Suzanne Wall	President
Mr. Steve McAdams	Secretary/President-Elect
Ms. Cheryl Ewing	First Vice-President
Mr. Stephen Ray	Second Vice-President
Mr. Jim Gilbert	Treasurer
Ms. Kathy Joubert	Delegate to APHA

2004-2005

Steve McAdams	President
Diane Hargrove-Roberson	Secretary/President-Elect
Stephen Ray	First Vice-President
Mittie Rohner	Second Vice-President
James Gilbert	Treasurer
Kathy Joubert	Delegate to APHA

2005-2006

Diane Hargrove-Roberson	President
Chery Ewing	Secretary/President-Elect
William Mayo	First Vice-President
Mittie Rohner	Second Vice-President
Becky Stith	Treasurer
Kathy Joubert	Delegate to APHA

2006-2007

Cheryl Ewing	President
Charles "Chuck" Methvien	Secretary/President-elect
Mittie Rohner	First Vice-President
Janet Merritt	Second Vice-President
Becky Stith	Treasurer
Clair Millet	Delegate to APHA

2007-2008

Charles "Chuck" Methvien	President
Mittie Rohner	Secretary/President-elect
Rachael Bruce	First Vice-President
Tamara Morris	Second Vice-President
Becky Stith	Treasurer
Clair Millet	Delegate to APHA

PAST PRESIDENTS

1948-1949

Dr. Ben Freedman, Director
Public Health Training Center
New Orleans, 13, Louisiana

1949-1950

Dr. Ben Freedman, Director
Public Health Training Center
New Orleans, 13, Louisiana
New Orleans, 7, Louisiana

1950-1951

Mr. H. Luther Hortman, Director
Division of Milk and Dairy Products
Louisiana State Board of Health
New Orleans 7, Louisiana

1951-1952

Mrs. Thelma Applewhite
Public Health Nurse
Franklin Parish Health Unit
Winnsboro, Louisiana

1952-1953

Mr. Anthony Ciaccio, Director
Division of Public Health Statistics
Louisiana State Board of Health
New Orleans, 7, Louisiana

1953-1954

Dr. T. D. Boaz, Jr.
Regional Director
Northern Region
Monroe, Louisiana

1954-1955

Dr. George H. Hauser, Director
Division of Laboratories
Louisiana State Board of Health
New Orleans, 7, Louisiana

1955-1956

Mr. Lloyd H. Methe
Regional Sanitarian

Southwest Region
Lafayette, Louisiana

1956-1957
Miss Margaret C. Moore, Chief
Nutrition Section
Louisiana State Board of Health

1957-1958
Mrs. Velma P. Brusse
Records Consultant
Southwest Region
Lafayette, Louisiana

1958-1959
Mrs. Lucille Sawyer, Chief Nurse
Caddo-Shreveport Health Unit
Shreveport, Louisiana

1959-1960
Dr. Andrew Hedmeg, Director
Division of Local Health Services
Louisiana State Board of Health
New Orleans 7, Louisiana

1960-1961
Miss Lucille Godelfer
Bacteriologist
Division of Laboratories
Louisiana State Board of Health
New Orleans, 7, Louisiana

1961-1962
Mr. A. G. Owens
Regional Sanitarian - Northwest Region
Monroe, Louisiana

1962-1963
Mr. George Ineichen
Regional Office
114 Commerce Street
Dallas, Texas

1963-1964
Mr. John Lemasson, Head
Division of Tabulation and Analysis

State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana 70160

1964-1965
Miss Edna Irl Mewhinney, Director
Division of Public Health Nursing
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana 70160

1965-1966
Dr. John Bruce, Director
Division of Local Health Services
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana 70160

1966-1967
Mr. William Noble, Assistant Director
Division of Louisiana Laboratories
P.O. Box 3561
Shreveport, Louisiana 71103

1967-1968
Mr. Osborn Willis, Head
Division of Sanitarian Services
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana 70160

1968-1969
Mr. Vernon 'Buck' Parker, Chief
Air Control Section
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana 70160

1969-1970
Mrs. Dorothy "Pat" Talbot
Professor of Public Health Nursing,
Tulane University
New Orleans, Louisiana

1970-1971
Mrs. Willie Jean Shields
Secretary, Northeast Regional Office
State Department of Health
Monroe, Louisiana

1971-1972

Mr. Gerald D. Healy, Jr.
Training Officer
Division of Engineering
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

1972-1973

Dr. J. C. Watson, Assistant Head
Division of Sanitarian Services
State Department of Health
Monroe, Louisiana

1973-1974

Dr. Sarah M. Braud, Director
Lafourche Parish Health Unit
Thibodaux, Louisiana

1974-1975

Mr. Paul P. Scheppf
P.O. Box 4279
Monroe, Louisiana 71201

1975-1976

Mrs. Maudye H. Myrick
2597 E. Lakeshore Drive
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808

1976-1977

Mr. W. Findley Raymond
American Lung Association
Suite 1504, 333 St. Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

1977-1978

Miss Nell C. Roberts
P.O. Box 1322
Lake Charles, Louisiana 70601

1978-1979

Dr. Pattie VanHook
P.O. Box 3008
Shreveport, Louisiana 71103

1979-1980

Mr. Clifton Murphy

Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
Chief Sanitarian
East Baton Rouge Parish Health Unit
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

1980-1981

Mr. Perry V. Watson, Jr.
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
Regional Engineer, Northwest Regional Office
Shreveport, Louisiana

1981-1982

Mrs. Ardis D. Lamb
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
Chief Clerk, Jeff Davis Parish Health Unit
Jennings, Louisiana

1982-1983

Dr. Charles Caraway
Division of Disease Control
P.O. Box 60630
New Orleans, Louisiana

1983-1984

Dr. Samuel Neel
Division of Local Health Services
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
New Orleans, Louisiana

1984-1985

Dr. Bruce Butler
Dental Health Section
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
New Orleans, Louisiana

1985-1986

Mrs. Mildred C. Bailey
Regional Nursing Supervisor, Region VIII
Monroe, Louisiana

1986-1987

Joanna Bolton, R.N.
Nursing Regional Program Manager
Teche Region
Office of Preventive and Public Health Services
Thibodaux, Louisiana

1987-1988
Carolyn W. Phillips
Certified Eye Health Technician
Office of Public Health
Region VII
Shreveport, Louisiana

1988 - 1989
Kathryn Liuzza
Environmental Quality Specialist
Office of Solid and Hazardous Waste
Department of Environmental Quality
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

1989 - 1990
Ellyce Goins, B.A., E.
Staff Development Assistant
T. E. Schumpert Memorial Medical Center
Shreveport, Louisiana

1990 - 1991
Patricia Ortego, R.N., B.S.N.
Public Health Nurse - Regional Manager
Region V
Office of Public Health
Lake Charles, Louisiana

1991 - 1992
Pat Wilkerson, R.N., B.S.N.
Public Health Nurse - Regional Manager
Region VI
Office of Public Health
Alexandria, Louisiana

1992 - 1993
William P. Goins, MPH
Regional Administrator
Region VII
Office of Public Health
Shreveport, Louisiana

1993 - 1994
Lisa Longfellow, MPH, CHES
HIV Prevention Community Planning Coordinator
Office of Public Health

New Orleans, Louisiana
Revised March 2001

1994 - 1995
Louis Trachtman, M.D., MPH
Assistant State Health Officer
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

1995 - 1996
James E. Gum, BCSW
Regional Administrator
Region II
Office of Public Health
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

1996 -1997
Jamie Roques, RNC, MPA
Public Health Nurse-Regional Manager
Region II
Office of Public Health
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

1997 - 1998
Jimmy Guidry, MD
Assistant Secretary
Office of Public Health
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

1998 – 1999
Larry Hebert, MD
Medical Director
Department of Health and Hospitals
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

1999-2000
Larry Richard
Regional Administrator
Region IV
Office of Public Health
Lafayette, Louisiana

2000-2001
David Thomas
Regional Administrator
Region IX

Office of Public Health
Mandeville, Louisiana

2001-2002
Margie Gibbs
Regional Nurse Consultant
Region 7
Office of Public Health
Shreveport, Louisiana

2002-2003
Doris Brown
Public Health Chief Nurse
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

2003-2004
Suzanne Wall
Chief Public Health Nurse
Tangipahoa Parish Health Unit
Hammond, Louisiana

2004-2005
Steve McAdams
Regional Administrator
Region 8
Monroe, Louisiana

2005-2006
Diane Hargrove-Roberson
Tobacco Program Administrator
New Orleans, Louisiana

2006-2007
Chery Ewing
Public Health Nurse
St. Francisville, Louisiana

2007-2008
Charles "Chuck" Methvien, RS
Sanitarian Parish Manager
Ascension Parish
Gonzales, Louisiana

ANNUAL MEETINGS

DATE	LOCATION	REGISTERED ATTENDANCE	PRESIDING OFFICER	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP
April 14, 1948	Alexandria	***	Dr. C. L. Mengis	***
August 20, 1949	Alexandria	***	Dr. Ben Freedman	***
September 15, 1950	Alexandria	148	Dr. Ben Freedman	***
June 7-8, 1951	Alexandria	205	Mr. Luther Hortman	***
June 5-6, 1952	Shreveport	***	Mrs. Thelma Applewhite	454
April 9-10, 1953	Lafayette	***	Mr. Anthony Ciaccio	654
April 8-9, 1954	Monroe	328	Dr. T. D. Boaz, Jr	641
*May 9-10, 1955	New Orleans	***	Dr. George Hauser	570
April 19-20, 1956	Lake Charles	221	Mr. Lloyd Methe	425
May 2-3, 1957	Alexandria	276	Miss Margaret Moore	725
April 17-18, 1958	Alexandria	212	Mrs. Velma Brusse	736
April 9-10, 1959	Baton Rouge	310	Mrs. Lucille Sawyer	804
May 19-20, 1960	New Orleans	367	Dr. Andrew Hedmeg	737
April 27-28, 1961	Alexandria	275	Miss Lucille Godelfer	628
May 24-25, 1962	Shreveport	230	Mr. A. G. Owens, Sr.	774
April 17-18, 1963	Opelousas	221	Mr. George "Son" Ineichen	680
April 9-10, 1964	Monroe	325	Mr. John Lemasson	759
April 5-9, 1965	New Orleans	**187	Mrs. Edna Irl Mewhinney	837
April 14-15, 1966	Alexandria	237	Dr. John Bruce	848
April 27-28, 1967	Baton Rouge	341	Mr. William Noble	832
April 4-5, 1968	New Orleans	472	Mr. Osborn Willis	964
April 24-25, 1969	Lafayette	****378	Mr. Vernon "Buck" Parker	965
April 23-24, 1970	Shreveport	327	Mrs. Dorothy "Pat" Talbot	850
May 5-7, 1971	Monroe	318	Mrs. Willie Jean Shields	709
April 19-21, 1972	New Orleans	***	Mr. Gerald Healy, Jr.	***
April 25-27, 1973	Baton Rouge	423	Mr. J. C. Watson	732
April 24-26, 1974	Alexandria	400	Dr. Sarah M. Braud	825
April 23-25, 1975	Shreveport	354	Mr. Paul P. Scheppf	725
April 28-30, 1976	Baton Rouge	419	Mrs. Maudye Myrick	***
April 13-15, 1977	Kenner	377	Mr. W. Finley Raymond	800
April 12-14, 1978	Lake Charles	379	Miss Nell Roberts	511
April 4-6, 1979	Shreveport	419	Dr. Pattie VanHook	690
April 30-May 2, 1980	Baton Rouge	471	Mr. Clifton Murphy	934
April 7-10, 1981	Monroe	***	Mr. Perry V. Watson	775
April 27-30, 1982	Lake Charles	413	Mrs. Ardis D. Lamb	628
April 26-29, 1983	Alexandria	451	Dr. Charles Caraway	772
April 26-29, 1984	Baton Rouge	464	Dr. Samuel Neel	738
April 09-11, 1985	Lafayette	** 300	Dr. Bruce Butler	516

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April 02-04, 1986	Monroe	308	Mrs. Mildred Bailey	515
April 01-03, 1987	Lake Charles	216	Mrs. Joanna Bolton	317
April 06-08, 1988	Shreveport	220	Mrs. Carolyn Phillips	419
April 06-08, 1989	Baton Rouge	401	Mrs. Kathryn Liuzza	446
April 4-6, 1990	Metairie	324	Mrs. Ellyce-Goins	467
April 3-5, 1991	Lafayette	266	Mrs. Patricia Ortego	416
March 18-20, 1992	Alexandria	207	Mrs. Pat Wilkerson	316
Mar 31-April 2, 1993	Baton Rouge	644	Mr. Billy Goins	730
March 16-18, 1994	Kenner	628	Mrs. Lisa Longfellow	614
May 3-5, 1995	Lafayette		Dr. Louis Trachtman	
May 29-31, 1996	Baton Rouge	503	Mr. Jimmy Gum	611
May 28-30, 1997	Baton Rouge	448	Mrs. Jamie Roques	520
April 15-17, 1998	Lafayette		Dr. Jimmy Guidry	
April 7-9, 1999	Baton Rouge	399	Dr. Larry Hebert	512
April 26-28, 2000	Lafayette	402	Mr. Larry Richard	522
April 18-20, 2001	Baton Rouge		Mr. David Thomas	
May 1-3, 2002	Baton Rouge		Ms. Margie Gibbs	
April 8-11, 2003	New Orleans		Ms. Doris Brown	
April 28-30, 2004	Baton Rouge		Suzanne Wall	
April 20 - 22 2005	Alexandria	***	Steve McAdams	***
April 19-21, 2006	Baton Rouge	***	Diane Hargrove Roberson	***
April 11-13, 2007	Baton Rouge	558	Chery Ewing	***
April 16-18, 2008	Baton Rouge	630	Charles Methvien	622

* In conjunction with Annual Meeting of Southern Health Association.

** Not Accurate

*** Figures not available

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RECIPIENTS OF AWARDS – DISCONTINUED AWARDS

AXSON-CHOPPIN AWARD

The criteria for receiving the AXSON-CHOPPIN Award are: "Significant long-time activity to foster the public health program in Louisiana or any part thereof by an individual not in full time employment by an official public health agency."

1. 1951 Dr. Ralph E. King
Former State Senator from Franklin Parish
Winnsboro, Louisiana
2. 1952 Mrs. Samuel Levy
Former President of Louisiana Health Council
Natchitoches, Louisiana
3. 1953 Mr. A. R. Yates
Executive Secretary, Chamber of Commerce
Bogalusa, Louisiana
4. 1954 Dr. A.A. Herold
North Louisiana Sanitarium
Shreveport, Louisiana
5. 1955 Mr. Wade O. Martin, Jr.
Secretary of State of Louisiana
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
6. 1956 Dr. King Rand (Deceased)
Former Vice-President, Louisiana State Board of Health
Alexandria, Louisiana
7. 1957 Dr. Clarence H. Webb
Chairman, Louisiana Youth Commission
Shreveport, Louisiana
8. 1958 Mr. Bobby Pappas
President, Louisiana Cerebral Palsy Association
Monroe, Louisiana
9. 1959 Dr. Bruce Everist, Jr.
Pediatrician, Green Clinic
Ruston, Louisiana
- 1960 Not given
10. 1961 Dr. Wallace Rubin

Private Practitioner of Otolaryngology
New Orleans, Louisiana

11. 1962 Dr. Maurice Campagna
Tuberculosis Consultant
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
12. 1963 Dr. Loyd W. Rowland
Director
Louisiana Association of Mental Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
13. 1964 Dr. O. Warton Brown, Jr.,
Associate Professor of Pediatrics
Louisiana State University of Practicing Physician
Ruston, Louisiana
14. 1965 Dr. Guy Caldwell
Orthopedist
New Orleans, Louisiana
15. 1966 Dr. Ralph Talbot
Pediatrician
Monroe, Louisiana
16. 1967 Dr. Dwight S. Danburg
Superintendent
Greenwell Springs Tuberculosis Hospital
Greenwell Springs, Louisiana
17. 1968 Dr. Ralph Percy Riggs
Specialist
Shreveport, Louisiana
18. 1969 Dr. James A. Durand
Practicing Physician, Plaquemine, Louisiana
19. 1970 Dr. Grace A. Goldsmith
Dean of Tulane University
School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine
New Orleans, Louisiana
20. 1971 Dr. Alfons R. Altenberg
Orthopedic Surgeon
Monroe, Louisiana

21. 1972 Dr. Eldredge L. Carroll Sr.
Vice-President, State Board of Health
Practicing Physician
Columbia, Louisiana
22. 1973 Dr. Conway Magee
Orthopedic Clinic Pediatric Consultant
Lake Charles, Louisiana
- 1974 Not given
23. 1975 Dr. Harold H. Harms
Ruston, Louisiana
24. 1976 Dr. Curtis R. Emery
Chairman, Health and Safety Education
Associate Professor
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
25. 1977 Dr. George Schneider
Orthopedic Surgeon
Lake Charles, Louisiana
26. 1978 Dr. Werner J. Hagen
Otolaryngologist
Houma, Louisiana
27. 1979 Dr. Robert T. Lucas
Pediatric Consultant
Handicapped Children's Program
28. 1980 Dr. Harlie Bearden
Maternity Clinician
Jennings, Louisiana
29. 1981 Dr. Roy H. Ledbetter, Jr.
Orthopedic Consultant
E. A. Conway Memorial Hospital
Monroe, Louisiana
30. 1982 Mr. W. Findley Raymond
Executive Director
American Lung Association of Louisiana
New Orleans, Louisiana

31. 1983 Dr. Harold Levy
Medical Consultant
Handicapped Children's Program
Shreveport, Louisiana
32. 1984 Dr. Bobbie Jean Donald
Maternity and Family Planning Clinician
Ouachita Parish Health Unit
Monroe, Louisiana
33. 1985 Dr. Victor Monsour (retired)
Professor and Head, Department of Microbiology
McNeese State University
Lake Charles, Louisiana
34. 1986 Michael Cage, M.D.
Venereal Disease Clinician
Ouachita Parish Health Unit
Monroe, Louisiana
35. 1987 Thomas A. Neumann, M.D.
Madison Parish Health Unit
Tallulah, Louisiana
36. 1988 Everett Schneider, M.D.
Assistant Professor of Pediatrics for LSU
W. O. Moss Regional Hospital
Lake Charles, Louisiana
37. 1989 Rose Spencer, R.N.
Volunteer for Handicapped
Childrens Services
Past Public Health Nurse
Calcasieu Parish Health Unit
Lake Charles, Louisiana
38. 1990 Joseph T. Hamrick, M.D., M.P.H.
Acting Dean
Tulane University of Public Health and Tropical Medicine
New Orleans, Louisiana
39. 1991 G. Douglas Sagrera, M.D.
Iberia Parish Health Unit
New Iberia, Louisiana

40. 1992 Richard Palmer Dickey, M.D., P.H.D.
Director - The Fertility Institute of New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

Axson-Choppin Award discontinued 1992. Governing Council Action January and July, 1992. See Awards - Discontinued.

FELIX FORMENTO MEMORIAL AWARD

The criteria for receiving the Dr. Felix Formento Memorial Award are: "Meritorious activity to foster the Public Health program or any phase thereof in any area of Louisiana by an individual not in full time employment by an official public health agency."

1. 1957 Mr. John Joseph Holtgreve
Former President
Jefferson Parish Police Jury
Gretna, Louisiana
2. Mr. George Perry Eastman
President, Auto-Chlor Company
New Orleans, Louisiana
3. 1958 Mrs. Pearl Vincent
Volunteer Health Worker
Lake Charles, Louisiana
4. Miss Lorraine Goreau
Editor, Women's Page of the New Orleans Item
New Orleans, Louisiana
5. 1959 Dr. Maude Loeber
Pediatrician and Part-time Clinician
Crippled Childrens' Program in New Orleans Area
New Orleans, Louisiana
6. 1960 Dr. Charles Manley Horton
Franklin, Louisiana
7. 1961 Mrs. Meyer Benson
Shreveport Tuberculosis League
Shreveport, Louisiana
8. 1962 Mrs. Charlotte Aiken
New Orleans, Louisiana
9. 1963 Mrs. James Constance Allen
University of Southwest Louisiana
Hammond, Louisiana
10. 1964 Dr. B. J. Amoroso
Practicing Physician
Bastrop, Louisiana

11. 1965 Dr. Robert Lennox
Tulane University
School of Medicine
New Orleans, Louisiana

1966 Not given

1967 Not given

1968 Not given
12. 1969 Mrs. Ethma Odum
Television
1735 Shirley Park
Alexandria, Louisiana
13. 1970 Mr. W. Findley Raymond
Executive Director
Louisiana Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association
New Orleans, Louisiana
14. 1971 Dr. Faheam Cannon
Orthopedist
Monroe, Louisiana
15. 1972 Dr. A. Denbo Montgomery
Clinician (Otologist)
Handicapped Children's Program
Lafayette, Louisiana
16. 1973 Mrs. Jewell Parkerson Lowe
Executive Director, Southwestern Educational and Referral Center
Lafayette, Louisiana
17. 1974 Dr. Dorothy M. Talbot
Professor of Public Health Nursing
Tulane University
New Orleans, Louisiana
18. 1975 Dr. James H. Allen
Former Chairman, Dept. of Ophthalmology
Tulane University, School of Medicine
New Orleans, Louisiana
19. 1976 Dr. Edmond C. Campbell
Orthopedic Surgeon

Handicapped Children's Service
Lake Charles, Louisiana

- 1977 Not given
20. 1978 O.W. Topp, M.D.
Otologist
Lake Charles, Louisiana
21. 1979 Ms. Claudia B. Odom
New Orleans, Louisiana
22. 1980 Dr. Harold R. Becknell
HCS Clinician
Shreveport, Louisiana
23. 1981 Dr. Robert W. Sharp
HCS Clinician
Monroe, Louisiana
24. 1982 Dr. L. E. Stringer
Clinician and Consultant
St. Helena Parish Health Unit
Greensburg, Louisiana
25. 1983 Dr. John B. Hill
Clinician and Consultant
Family Planning and V.D. Programs
Webster Parish Health Unit
Minden, Louisiana
26. 1984 Dr. Harris Perot, D.D.S.
Houma, Louisiana
27. 1985 Dr. Peter Stephen Kapernick
Assistant Professor, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology
Louisiana State University School of Medicine
Shreveport, Louisiana
28. 1986 Ernest C. Hansen, M.D.
EPSDT Program
Lafourche Parish Health Unit
Thibodaux, Louisiana
29. 1987 Camilla A. Carter, M.D.
Part-Time Clinician and Consultant

Family Planning Program
Morehouse Parish Health Unit
Bastrop, Louisiana

30. 1989 Alan B. Richards, M.D.
Pediatric Ophthalmologist
Shreveport, Louisiana
31. 1990 Carl L. Langford, M.D.
Medical Director Green Clinic
Ruston, Louisiana
32. 1991 Wayne Shephard, M.D.
Family Practice/Family Planning Clinics for Caddo Parish
Shreveport, Louisiana
33. 1992 Ellyce Dupree Goins, B.A.
Staff Development Educator
T. E. Schumpert Memorial Medical Center
Shreveport, Louisiana

Felix Formento Memorial Award discontinued 1992. Governing Council Action January and July, 1992. See Awards - Discontinued

DR. E. H. BARTON MEMORIAL AWARD

The criteria for receiving this Award is: "Significant achievement in research, scholarship or outstanding pioneering performance in public health by any person in the State.: The nominations for this award should include a file concerning the research accomplishments of the nominee.*

*Minutes, Governing Council Meeting, January 15, 1970, Captain Shreve Hotel, p.3

1. 1957 Dr. George Hauser
Director, Bureau of Laboratories
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

2. 1958 Dr. Ben Freedman
Director, Bureau of Health Conservation
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

3. 1959 Miss Margaret Moore
Chief, Section of Nutrition
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

- 1960 Not given

- 1961 Not given

- 1962 Not given

- 1963 Not given

- 1964 Not given

- 1965 Not given

- 1966 Not given

- 1967 Not given

4. 1968 Mr. James F. Coerver
Chief, Water Supply and Sewerage Section
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

5. 1969 Dr. Marie Louise Pareti
Head, Division of Maternal and Child Health

State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

6. 1970 Dr. Joseph D. Beasley
President and Director
Family Planning, Incorporated
Tulane University Center for Population and Family Studies
New Orleans, Louisiana
7. 1971 Dr. Bettina C. Hilman
Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Microbiology
Louisiana State University
Shreveport School of Medicine
Shreveport, Louisiana
8. 1972 Miss Florence C. Drach
Administrator, Monroe Regional Laboratory
Louisiana State Department of Health
Monroe, Louisiana
- 1973 Not given
9. 1974 Dr. Murphy P. Martin
Director, Iberia, Lafayette and
St. Martin Parish Health-Units
St. Martinville, Louisiana
- 1975 Not given
- 1976 Not given
10. 1977 Dr. Terry D. King
Pediatric Cardiologist
Ochsner Medical Center
New Orleans, Louisiana
- 1978 Not given
- 1979 Not given
11. 1980 Ms. Nell C. Roberts
Administrator
Lake Charles Regional Laboratory
Lake Charles, Louisiana
12. 1981 Dr. H. Warner Kloepfer

Director of Genetic Counseling
Tulane University
New Orleans, Louisiana

13. 1982 Dr. Carolyn Talley, M.P.H.
Public Health Physician and Pediatric
Consultant, Maternal and Child Health and HCS
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
New Orleans, Louisiana
14. 1983 Dr. Walter J. Laborde
Chief, Eye Anomalies Program
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
New Orleans, Louisiana
15. 1984 Dr. Rose Ann Langham
Administrator, Nutrition Section
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
New Orleans, Louisiana
16. 1985 Dr. Raoult C. Ratard, MPH
Acting Division Director
Division of Disease Control
Office of Preventive and Public Health Services
17. 1986 Flora F. Cherry, M.D., M.P.H.
Tulane School of Public Health
Maternal and Child Health Section
New Orleans, Louisiana
18. 1987 Stuart L. Haas, M.D., M.P.H.
Medical Director - Family Planning Program
Medical Maternity Consultant
Office of Preventive and Public Health Services
New Orleans, Louisiana
- 1988 Not given
19. 1989 Dr. Frank Franks
Program Director - Eye Health Program
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
20. 1990 Henry B. Bradford, Jr., Ph.D.
Director, Public Health Laboratory
State Office Building

New Orleans, Louisiana

1991 Not given

21. 1992 Joel L. Nitzkin, M.D., D.P.A.
Special Projects
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dr. E. H. Barton Memorial Award discontinued 1992. Governing Council Action January and July, 1992. See Awards - Discontinued

Dr. C. B. WHITE MEMORIAL AWARD

The criteria for receiving the Dr. C. B. White Memorial Award are: "Meritorious and diligent service in public health in the State by any person in full-time employment by an official public health agency in the State."

1. 1951 Mr. John H. O'Neill
Former Director, Division of Public Health Engineering
State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
2. 1952 Miss Margaret C. Moore
Chief, Section of Nutrition
State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
3. 1953 Dr. George H. Hauser
Director, Division of Laboratories
State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
4. 1954 Dr. Ben Freedman
Director, Division of Preventive Medicine, and
Director, Public Health Training Center
State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
5. 1955 Dr. C. L. Mengis
Director, St. Landry Parish Health Unit
Opelousas, Louisiana
6. 1956 Dr. W. J. Sandidge
Director, Caddo-Shreveport Health Unit
Shreveport, Louisiana
7. Miss Emma Maurin
Former Director, Division of Public Health Nursing
State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
8. 1957 Miss Lucille Godelfer
Laboratory Technician, Division of Laboratories
State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
9. Dr. H. N. Barnett
Director, Bossier City Parish Health Unit

Bossier City, Louisiana

10. 1958 Dr. Guillermo Vasquez
Director, Calcasieu-Lake Charles Health Unit
Lake Charles, Louisiana
11. Miss Louise Guidry
Nursing Consultant, Northwest Region State Board of Health
Shreveport, Louisiana
12. Dr. W. Carroll Summer
Director, Ouachita Parish Health Unit
Monroe, Louisiana
13. 1959 Mrs. Dorothy K. Maher
Secretary to the President
State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
- 1960 Not given
14. 1961 Miss Ruby Giroir
Public Health Nurse
Lafayette Parish
Lafayette, Louisiana
15. 1962 Mr. Graves J. Grant
Chief, Sanitarian Services
State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
16. 1963 Mr. Milton E. Kossack
Director, Division of Public Health Education
New Orleans, Louisiana
17. 1964 Dr. Andrew Hedmeg
Director, Division of Local Health Services
State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
18. 1965 Miss Florence Drach
Administrator, Monroe Regional Laboratory
Monroe, Louisiana
19. 1966 Mrs. Lucille Toups Sawyer
Supervisor of Nurses

Caddo-Shreveport Health Unit
Shreveport, Louisiana

20. 1967 Mrs. Hettie Rowe
Nurse Supervisor
Bossier Parish Health Unit
Bossier City, Louisiana
21. 1968 Miss Iris Day
Departmental Information Representative
Health Education
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
22. 1969 Mr. John-S. Lemasson
Head, Division of Tabulation and Analysis
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
23. 1970 Mr. Osborn Willis
Head, Division of Sanitarian Services
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
24. 1971 Mr. Paul Scheppf
State Entomologist
State Department of Health
Monroe, Louisiana
25. 1972 Mr. Bickham C. Pardue
Assistant State Health Officer for Administration
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
26. 1973 Mr. William J. Noble
Assistant Head, Bureau of Laboratories
State Department of Health
Shreveport, Louisiana
27. 1974 Mr. Lloyd Methe
Regional Sanitarian
Bureau of Sanitarian Services
Lafayette, Louisiana
28. 1975 Mr. William F. Roy
Supervisor, V.D. Control Unit

LHHRA - Division of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

29. 1976 Mr. J. C. Watson
Assistant Chief, Sanitarian Services Section
LHHRA - Division of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
30. 1977 Mrs. Ruth C. Miller
Nursing Consultant
Northeast Region
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
Monroe, Louisiana
31. 1978 Mr. Raul Busquet
Administrator, Milk and Dairy Products
DHHR - OHSEQ
New Orleans, Louisiana
32. 1979 Ms. J. B. Hickey, RN
Chief of Nursing
New Orleans, Louisiana
- 1980 Not given
33. 1981 Hilda M. Landry, RN
Assumption Parish Health Unit
Napoleonville, Louisiana
34. 1982 Mrs. Willie Jean Shields
Chief Clerk, Ouachita Parish Health Unit
Monroe, Louisiana
35. 1983 Mrs. Lena Babin
Accountant, Administrative Services
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
New Orleans, Louisiana
36. 1984 Helen Hoganson, R.N.
Eye Program Consultant
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
37. 1985 Ronald J. Hingle, R.S.
Administrator, Food and Drug Control Unit
Office of Preventive and Public Health Services

New Orleans, Louisiana

38. 1986 Ardis D. Lamb
Chief Clerk
Jeff Davis Parish Health Unit
Jennings, Louisiana
39. 1987 Vernon "Buck" Parker, B.S.C.E., M.P.H.
Retired - October, 1986 - Chief Engineer - DHHR
Director, Division of Engineering
Office of Preventive and Public Health Services
New Orleans, Louisiana
40. 1988 Mrs. Joanna Bolton, R.N.
Nursing Regional Program Manager
Teche Region III
Office of Public Health
Thibodaux, Louisiana
41. 1989 Louise McFarland, Dr., P.H.
Chief Epidemiologist
Project Director - AIDS Program
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
42. 1990 Edna G. Trueting, R.N., Dr. P.H.
Chief Public Health Nurse
State Office Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
43. 1991 Louis Trachtman, M.D.
Director, Division of Family Health Services
Office of Public Health
State Office Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
44. 1992 Sylvia Jones McKee, B.S.
Health Service Planner Manager
Policy and Planning
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dr. C.B. White Memorial Award discontinued 1992. Governing Council Action January and July, 1992. See Awards - Discontinued

AGNES MORRIS MEMORIAL AWARD

The criteria for receiving the AGNES MORRIS Memorial Award are: "Longtime,* loyal and diligent* public health in the state by any full-time worker in any official or volunteer public health agency in the State of Louisiana (municipal, parish or state)."

* For interpretation see Awards Committee

1. 1956 Mrs. Velma Pressburg Brusse
Records Consultant, Southwest Region
Opelousas, Louisiana
2. Mr. Jules A. LeDieu Regional Laboratory Administrator
Lake Charles Regional Laboratory
Lake Charles, Louisiana
3. Miss Florence C. Drach
Administrator
Monroe Regional Laboratory
Monroe, Louisiana
4. Mrs. Jame Thorstad Heffernan
Public Health Nurse III, State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
5. Mr. Louis H. Bernier
Duplicating Equipment Operator, State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
6. Rev. Joseph A. Leach
Health Educator, State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
7. Miss Anna Butts
Stenographer-Clerk III
Section of Public Health Engineering
New Orleans, Louisiana
8. Miss Elizabeth M. Daspit Clerk II
Administrative Section
New Orleans, Louisiana
9. Mr. John L. Porter
Public Health Engineer, State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
10. Mr. Walter P. Eakin
Sanitarian II, Caddo-Shreveport Health Unit

Shreveport, Louisiana

11. Miss Katie A. Mitchell
Public Health Nurse, Claiborne Parish Health Unit
Homer, Louisiana
12. 1957 Mr. Thomas Eagin Beck
Sanitarian II, Webster Parish Health Unit
Minden, Louisiana
13. Miss Hazel Jean Moberly
Secretary, Madison Parish Health Unit
Tallulah, Louisiana
14. Miss Margaret Neill Graham
Clerk IV, Caddo-Shreveport Health Unit
Shreveport, Louisiana
15. Mr. A. G. Owens
Regional Sanitarian, Northwest Region
Ruston, Louisiana
16. Mr. E. B. Johnson
Entomologist, State Board of Health
Monroe, Louisiana
17. Dr. W. W. Knipmeyer
Director, Natchitoches Parish Health Unit
Natchitoches, Louisiana
18. Mr. Henry Lemane
Laboratory Technician, State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
19. Mr. Charles L. Davis Messenger
State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
20. Miss Fannie B. Nelken
Secretary, State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
21. Mrs. Deola Lange Cyrus
Public Health Nurse III, State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

22. Mrs. Nina Svendson
Laboratory Technician, State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
23. Mr. Wilson Landry
Laboratory Technical Assistant, State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
24. 1958 Mrs. Dorothy Maher
Secretary to the President, State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
25. Mr. Judson D. Marion
Laboratory Technician III, Shreveport Regional Laboratory
Shreveport, Louisiana
26. Miss Dorothy Dickinson
Laboratory Technician III, Alexandria Regional Laboratory
Alexandria, Louisiana
27. Miss Louise Fuchs
Public Health Nurse I, Caddo-Shreveport Health Unit
Shreveport, Louisiana
28. Miss Betty Ford
Medical Social Consultant III, Crippled Children's Program
New Orleans, Louisiana
29. Mr. Octave Joubert
Laboratory Technician II, State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
30. Mrs. Beatrice Spane
Laboratory Technical Assistant, State Board of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
31. Miss Zoe Theriot
Public Health Nurse I, Terrebonne Parish Health Unit
Houma, Louisiana
32. Mr. Fritz deVeer
Sanitarian I, Jefferson Parish Health Unit
Gretna, Louisiana
33. Miss Pearl Peterson
Public Health Nurse II, V. D. Control Project

Alexandria, Louisiana

34. Dr. M. F. Houston
Director, Terrebonne Parish Health Unit
Houma, Louisiana
35. Mrs. Mabel Francis
Public Health Nurse I
East Baton Rouge Parish Health Unit
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
36. Mr. Elton Aldridge
Sanitarian I, Natchitoches Parish Health Unit
Natchitoches, Louisiana
37. Mrs. Audre Hedges
Public Health Nurse I, Natchitoches Parish Health Unit
Natchitoches, Louisiana
38. 1959 Mrs. Allie Mae Williams
Supervisor of Nurses, Pilsbury Health Center
New Orleans Health Department
New Orleans, Louisiana
39. Mrs. Allynne T. Rogers
Public Health Nurse II, Ouachita Parish Health Unit
Monroe, Louisiana
40. Miss Pauline C. Tarver
Public Health Nurse I, Ouachita Parish Health Unit
Monroe, Louisiana
41. Mrs. Cornelia V. Ploger
Stenographer-Clerk III, Food and Drug Section
New Orleans, Louisiana
42. Mrs. Helen E. Bowers
Public Health Nurse I, Rapides Parish Health Unit
Alexandria, Louisiana
43. Mrs. Ethel H. Ruck
Clerk III, Tuberculosis Control Section
New Orleans, Louisiana
44. Mrs. Bennie Sheppard Bradford
Typist-Clerk II, LaSalle Parish Health Unit

Jena, Louisiana

45. Mrs. Lelia D. O'Brien
Public Health Nurse I, St. Martin Parish Health Unit
St. Martinville, Louisiana
46. Mrs. Cleo B. Watson, Supervisor, Communicable Diseases
New Orleans Health Department
New Orleans, Louisiana
47. 1960 Mrs. Sue F. Arnoult
Nursing Consultant, New Orleans Health Department
New Orleans, Louisiana
48. Miss Natalie Nobles
Nursing Consultant, Caddo-Shreveport Health Unit
Shreveport, Louisiana
49. Mr. Albert E. Riquelmy
Sanitarian, Calcasieu-Lake Charles Health Unit
Lake Charles, Louisiana
50. Mr. Felix Richard
Sanitarian, St. Landry Parish Health Unit
Opelousas, Louisiana
51. 1961 Dr. James A. Coleman, Director
LaSalle, Catahoula and Concordia Parish Health Units
Harrisonburg, Louisiana
52. Mrs. Elvena Laurent
Public Health Nurse, Red River Parish Health Unit
Coushatta, Louisiana
53. Mr. George L. Hebert
Sanitarian, Terrebonne Parish Health Unit
Houma, Louisiana
54. Mr. Whitney C. Martinez
Seafood Sanitarian, Food and Drug Section
New Orleans, Louisiana
55. Mr. George Hayes
Custodial Worker, Central Laboratory
New Orleans, Louisiana

56. 1962 Mrs. Emily Marie Maquid
Public Health Nurse, Lafayette Parish Health Unit
Lafayette, Louisiana
57. 1963 Mrs. Anna Amann
Director of Nursing, New Orleans Health Department
New Orleans, Louisiana
58. Mr. Abner Smitha
Sanitarian, Calcasieu-Lake Charles Health Unit
Lake Charles, Louisiana
59. 1964 Mrs. Ezilda Michel
Clerk, New Orleans Health Department
New Orleans, Louisiana
60. Miss Alice Staunton, Secretary
Nutrition Section
New Orleans, Louisiana
61. 1965 Dr. Frederick F. Brown
Section of Maternal and Child Health
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
62. 1966 Mrs. Sophie Duplantis Toups
Public Health Nurse
Jefferson Parish Health Unit
Harvey, Louisiana
63. 1967 Miss Lillian Edwards
Health Educator
Northern Regional Office, State Department of Health
Monroe, Louisiana
64. 1968 Mrs. Margaret L. Landreneau
Chief Nurse
Evangeline Parish Health Unit
Ville Platte, Louisiana
65. 1969 Mrs. Mamie M. Ledbetter
Calcasieu-Lake Charles Health Unit
Lake Charles, Louisiana
66. 1970 Mrs. Alyce Highley Jones
Public Health Nurse

Ouachita Parish Health Unit
Monroe, Louisiana

67. 1971 Mr. Frank E. Sylvest
Registered Sanitarian, Jackson Parish Health Unit
Jonesboro, Louisiana
68. 1972 Mr. John E. Trygg
Assistant State Health Officer for Environmental Health
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
69. 1973 Mr. Charles H. Triche
Sanitarian III, Calcasieu-Lake Charles Health Unit
Lake Charles, Louisiana
70. 1974 Ruth S. Young
Public Health Nurse, East Baton Rouge Parish Health Unit
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
71. 1974 Mr. Homer J. Osborn
Executive Assistant, Tuberculosis Control Section LHSRSA
Division of Health Maintenance and Ambulatory Patient Services
New Orleans, Louisiana
72. 1975 Mrs. June Moore
Public Health Nurse, Lincoln Parish Health Unit
Ruston, Louisiana
73. 1976 Mr. Curtis A. Burdick
Sanitarian V, Insect and Vector Control
LHHRA - Division of Health
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
74. 1977 Mrs. Elda W. Hurley
Public Health Nurse, Terrebonne Parish Health Unit
Houma, Louisiana
75. 1978 Ms. Lela George Hankins
Public Health Nurse, Natchitoches Parish Health Unit
Natchitoches, Louisiana
76. 1979 Ms. Sallie R. Snapp, RN
Nursing Supervisor, Ouachita Parish Health Unit
Monroe, Louisiana

77. 1980 Andrew P. Fontenot, R. S.
Chief Sanitarian, Calcasieu Parish Health Unit
Lake Charles, Louisiana
78. 1981 Dr. Sarah M. Braud
Assistant Secretary
DHHR-OHSEQ
79. 1982 Mrs. Claudia Shaw Bourgeois
Chief Clerk, Region III
Handicapped Children's Program
Thibodaux, Louisiana
80. 1983 Vera Zeoli
Personnel Services
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
New Orleans, Louisiana
81. 1984 Jennie B. Martin, R.N.
Lafourche Parish Health Unit
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality,
Thibodeaux, Louisiana
82. 1985 Harrington Fitzgerald Reed
Regional Milk Sanitarian, Region II
Office of Preventive and Public Health Services
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
83. 1986 Elizabeth C. Hartt, R.N.
Beauregard Parish Health Unit
DeRidder, Louisiana
84. 1987 Sue E. Bennett, B.S.N. , M.N. , C.N.M.
Maternity Nursing Consultant
Office of Preventive and Public Health Services
Monroe, Louisiana
85. 1988 Eugene J. Stassi, PhD
Director of Communicative Disorders Program
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
86. 1989 Perry V. Watson, Jr.
Public Health Deputy Chief Engineer
Shreveport, Louisiana

87. 1990 Elizabeth A. Peavey, B.S., R.N.
Public Health Nurse/Parish Supervisor
St. Helena Parish Health Unit
St. Helena, Louisiana
88. 1991 Mrs. Cynthia A. Morse
Office Manager 5
Calcasieu Parish Health Unit
Lake Charles, Louisiana
89. 1992 Margie Dawson Gibbs, R.N., B.S.N.
Public Health Nurse Regional Manager Region VII
Office of Public Health
Shreveport, Louisiana

Agnes Morris Memorial Award discontinued 1992. Governing Council Action January and July,
1992. See Awards - Discontinued

VELMA PRESSBURG BRUSSE AWARD

This award is given to a full-time public health worker in the State of Louisiana for meritorious service in the past years over and above the call of duty.

The Awards Committee is to notify the recipient that he will receive it prior to the ceremony.

In keeping with the intent of the developers of the original Brusse Award (to use the funds to further the education of an individual) the money in the Velma P. Brusse-Award account was transferred to the Louisiana Public Health Association Scholarship Fund by Governing Council action July 19, 1990. The name of Velma Pressburg Brusse will be added to the plaque honoring donors to the Louisiana Public Health Association Scholarship Fund.

1. 1966 Miss Hazel Jean Moberly
Clerk, Madison Parish Health Unit
Tallulah, Louisiana
2. 1967 Mrs. Maudye T. Myrick
Nurse Supervisor, East Baton Rouge Parish Health Unit
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
3. 1968 Miss Madge Kelly
Chief Clerk, Ouachita Parish Health Unit
Monroe, Louisiana
4. 1969 Mr. Graves J. Grant
Central Regional Sanitarian
Sicily Island, Louisiana
(Beneficiary: Jack Grant, son)
5. 1970 Miss Shirley Mae Reid
Chemist, Laboratory Division
State Department of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
(Beneficiary: St. Michael School of New Orleans)
6. 1971 Mrs. Claudia Shaw Bourgeois
Stenographer-Clerk I
Lafourche Parish Health Unit
Thibodaux, Louisiana
7. 1972 Mrs. Floriene B. Schoen
Clerical Supervisor
Caddo-Shreveport Health Unit
Shreveport, Louisiana

8. 1973 Mrs. Wava Mouton
Assistant Head, Division of Nursing
State Department of Health
Lafayette, Louisiana
9. 1974 Mr. Charles H. Gillham
Supervisory Sanitarian
Calcasieu-Lake Charles Health Unit
Lake Charles, Louisiana
10. 1975 Ms. Catherine Johnson
Clerk IV, Office of Vital Statistics
LHHRA - Division of Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
11. 1976 Mr. Lawrence E. Estaville, Sr.
Public Health Educator III
Calcasieu-Lake Charles Health Unit
Lake Charles, Louisiana
12. 1977 Mrs. Marie Al Barrios
Clerk IV, Sanitarian Services
Orleans Parish
New Orleans, Louisiana
- 1978 Not Given
13. 1979 Ms. Dolly Reed
Health Records Consultant
Northeast Region
Monroe, Louisiana
14. 1980 Roma Caldwell, RN
Public Health Nurse
Shreveport, Louisiana
- 1981 Not Given
15. 1982 Mrs. Dollye B. Frazier
Regional Administrative Assistant
Northeast Regional Office OHSEQ
Shreveport, Louisiana
16. 1983 Walter Morse
Assistant Administrator
Water Quality Section

Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
New Orleans, Louisiana

17. 1984 Sondra Hebert
Administrative Assistant
Maternal & Child Health
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
New Orleans, Louisiana
18. 1985 Marietta Crane
Executive Assistant I, Administration
Office of Preventive and Public Health Services
New Orleans, Louisiana
19. 1986 Judith Quirk
Regional Administrative Assistant
Acadian Region - Region IV
Lafayette, Louisiana
20. 1987 Grace T. Smith, R.N.
Iberia Parish Health Unit
New Iberia, Louisiana
21. 1988 Carolyn W. Phillips
Certified Eye Health Technician
Northwest Regional Office
Shreveport, Louisiana
22. 1989 Patricia Ortego, R.N., B.S.N.
Public Health Nurse - Regional Manager, Region V
Office of Public Health
Lake Charles, Louisiana
23. 1990 William P. Goins, R.S., M.P.H., C.P.M.
Regional Administrator
Region VII
Office of Public Health
Shreveport, Louisiana

Velma Pressburg Brusse Award discontinued 1992. Governing Council Action January and July 1992. See Awards - Discontinued

THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD

The criteria for receiving the President's Award are: "Outstanding and dedicated service to LPHA by an individual who has been a member of the Louisiana Public Health Association for 10 years or less. The recipient is selected by the Governing Council from nominations made by Council members.

1. 1977 Clifton Murphy
East Baton Rouge Parish Health Unit
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
2. 1978 Mr. Charles F. DeGraw
Public Health Advisor
Tuberculosis Control Unit
DHHR-OHSEQ
New Orleans, Louisiana
3. 1979 Mr. Ben Fontaine
Coordinator of Educational
Activities for the American
Lung Association of Louisiana
New Orleans, Louisiana
4. 1980 Ms. Carole V. Badeaux
Regional Administrative Assistant
OHSEQ, Region III
Thibodaux, Louisiana
5. 1981 Larry J. Maturin, Ph. D.
Assistant Director
Division of Laboratories, OHSEQ
New Orleans, Louisiana
6. 1982 Mrs. Jean Burson, Account Clerk II and Purchasing Agent
Ouachita Parish Health Unit, OHSEQ
Monroe, Louisiana
7. 1983 C. Jayne Ferguson
Nursing Supervisor
Ouachita Parish Health Unit
Monroe, Louisiana
8. 1984 Joan Hertzberg Wightkin
Administrator, Maternal and Child Health Section
Office of Health Services and Environmental Quality
New Orleans, Louisiana

9. 1985 Dr. Ruth Vingiello
Regional Medical Director, Region VIII
Monroe, Louisiana
10. 1986 Samuel N. Neel, M.D., M.P.H.
New Orleans, Louisiana
11. 1987 Mary L. Perque
Clerical Supervisor, Lafourche Parish Health Unit
Thibodaux, Louisiana
- 1988 Not given
12. 1989 Susan L. Daigle, B.S., M.S.
Laboratory Scientist Manager
Microbiology Department of Control Laboratory
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
13. 1990 Walter C. Hulon, M.D., M.P.H.
Corporate Medical Director
Ethel Corporation
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
14. 1991 Lisa Longfellow, M.P.H., CHES
HIV Seroprevalence Survey Coordinator
Office of Public Health HIV/AIDS Program
State Office Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
15. 1992 Jamie Milano Roques, R.N.C., M.P.A.
Manager - Kid-Med
Birch-Davis Health Management Corporation
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Presidents Award discontinued 1992. See Awards - Discontinued. Gov. Council 1992

RECIPIENTS OF AWARDS – CURRENT AWARDS

LPHA MERITORIOUS AWARD

The criteria for receiving this award is: long time diligent and esteemed service in public health in Louisiana by any person in full, part-time or voluntary service in a health agency, organization or coalition.

1. 1993 John Sziber
Parish Sanitarian Manager, Retired
Livingston Parish
Office of Public Health
2. 1994 Barbara Judlin
Regional Nutritionist
Region VII
Office of Public Health
3. 1995 Sylvia Burrell
Public Health Nurse, Retired
Washington Parish
Office of Public Health
4. 1996 Bobby G. Savoie
Director, Environmental Health Services
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
5. 1997 Ted Davis
Sanitarian, Retired
Pointe Coupee Parish
Office of Public Health
6. 1998 Dr. Marvin K. Soileau
Physician
Webster Parish
Office of Public Health
7. 1999 Dr. Jack Pou
Physician
Children's Special Health Services
Region 7, Shreveport
8. 2000 Dr. Denbo Montgomery, Sr.
Physician
Children's Special Health Services, Otology Clinics
Region 4, Lafayette

9. 2001 Cynthia Schexnayder, RN
2002 Not given
10. 2003 Constance McCants
Public Health Nurse
Caldwell Parish Health Unit
Columbia, Louisiana
11. 2004 Anne F. Gaspard, RN
Public Health Nurse
Lafayette Parish Health Unit
Region 4, Lafayette
12. 2005 Sue Longoria
Public Health Nurse
East Baton Rouge Parish Health Unit
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
13. 2006 Dr. Robert Baker
Ophthalmologist
Children's Special Health Services
Lafayette, Louisiana
14. 2007 Betty F. Hebert
Public Health Nurse
Thibodaux, Louisiana
15. 2008 Philip McCrory, Jr., RPh
Chief Pharmacist
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

LPHA MEMBERS AWARD

The criteria for receiving this award are: outstanding loyal and dedicated service to LPHA by an individual who has been a member of LPHA for five (5) years or more.

1. 1993 Ardis Lamb
Administrative Manager, Region V
Office of Public Health
2. 1994 James E. Gum
Regional Administrator, Region II
Office of Public Health

1995 Not given
3. 1996 Carolyn Phillips
Eye Program
Northwest Regional Office
Office of Public Health
4. 1997 Debbie Kuhns
Administrative Secretary
Region II
Office of Public Health
5. 1998 Steve McAdams
Regional Sanitarian Director
Region VIII
Office of Public Health
6. 1999 Joanna Bolton
Public Health Nurse
Region III
Office of Public Health
7. 2000 Barbara Woodard
Administrative Manager 2, Region 2
Office of Public Health
Baton Rouge, LA
8. 2001 Pat Ortego, BSN, RN
Retired Regional Nurse Manager, Region 5
Office of Public Health
Lake Charles, LA
9. 2002 Not given

10. 2003 David A. Thomas
Regional Administrator
OPH Region 9
Mandeville, Louisiana
11. 2004 Diane Hargrove-Roberson
OPH – Tobacco Program Manager
Region I, New Orleans
12. 2005 James Gilbert
Public Health Laboratory Scientist Manager
Public Health Laboratory - Shreveport
Shreveport, Louisiana
13. 2006 Doris Brown
Chief Public Health Nurse
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
14. 2007 Tamara Morris
Sanitarian 3
New Orleans, Louisiana
15. 2008 Janet B. Merritt
Program Manager
OPH Center for Emergency Preparedness
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

LPHA PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD

The criteria for receiving this award is: contributions and support to foster public health programs or issues in Louisiana by an elected or appointed public official on the local, state, or national level.

1. 1993 Melissa Flournoy
State Representative
Louisiana House of Representatives
District 6, Shreveport, Louisiana
2. 1994 Johnette McCrery
Consumer Reporter, KTBS-TV
Channel 3 Shreveport, Louisiana
3. 1995 Dr. Eric Baumgartner
Assistant Secretary
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
- 1996 Not given
4. 1997 Dr. Jimmy Guidry
Assistant Secretary
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana
5. 1998 Tommy Martinez
President
Ascension Parish Government
Gonzales, Louisiana
6. 1999 Dr. Donald Hines
Senator
District 28, Bunkie, Avoyelles Parish
7. 2000 Mr. Scott Angelle
Police Jury Member
St. Martin Parish
- 2001 Not given
- 2002 Not given
8. 2003 Mark McMurry
Parish Administrator

Calcasieu Parish Police Jury
Lake Charles, Louisiana

9. 2004 Senator Diana E. Bajoie
Speaker Pro-Tempore
Louisiana State Senate
10. 2005 Jessel Mitchell Ourso, Jr.
President of Iberville Parish
Plaquemine, Louisiana
11. 2006 Randy Roach
Mayor
Lake Charles, Louisiana
12. 2007 Robert Marionneaux, Jr.
Senator
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
13. 2008 Jan Kasofsky, MS, PhD
Executive Director
Capital Area Human Services District (CAHSD)
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

LPHA FOUNDERS AWARD

The criteria for receiving this award are: significant achievement in research or outstanding pioneering performance in public health by any resident of Louisiana. Significance may be of statewide, national or international recognition of achievements or accomplishments.

1. 1993 Jean N. Takenaka, MD
Pediatric Consultant
Maternal/Child Health, Nutrition,
and Disability Prevention Programs
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

2. 1994 "Ted" Thaddeus L. Wisniewski, Jr., MD, Deceased
Director, HIV Program
Department of Health and Hospitals
New Orleans, Louisiana

1995 Not given

3. 1996 Benjamin Freedman, M.D., M.P.H.
State Health Department, Retired
New Orleans, Louisiana

4. 1997 Dr. Jerrell H. Mathison
Medical Director, Office of Public Health
Region I
New Orleans, Louisiana

5. 1998 Dr. William M. Cassidy
Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine
LSU School of Medicine/Earl K. Long Medical Center
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

6. 1999 Dr. Tom Farley
Medical Director, HIV/AIDS Program
Director, STD Control Program
New Orleans, Louisiana

7. 2000 Karen Kelso, RN
Public Health Nurse
Epidemiology Section
New Orleans, Louisiana

8. 2001 Terry Dean King, MD

- 2002 Not given
9. 2003 Terry C. Davis
Researcher
LSU Health Sciences Center
Shreveport, Louisiana
10. 2004 Susan Wilson, RN
Public Health Nurse
Nurse Epidemiologist
Infectious Disease Epidemiology Section
New Orleans, LA
- 2005 Not Given
- 2006 Not Given
11. 2007 Juzar Ali, MD
Physician
New Orleans, Louisiana
12. 2008 Charles DeGraw
TB Program Manager
Office of Public Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

LPHA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The criteria for receiving this award is: Louisiana student in a Louisiana school, LPHA member or dependent, Consideration of educational or financial need.

1. 1993 Melanie Lynn Thompson
Daughter of Sonya B. Thompson, Clerk
Allen Parish Health Unit
Oakdale, Louisiana
2. 1994 Alyson Melissa Redler
Daughter of Milbre Etta L. Redler, Nursing Assistant
Beauregard Parish Health Unit
DeRidder, Louisiana
3. 1995 Dodie Gordon Townley
Daughter of Claudette Gordon
Allen Parish Health Unit
Oakdale, Louisiana
4. 1996 Janet Tycer Lee, R.N.
Public Health Nurse IV
St. Helena Parish Health Unit
Greensburg, Louisiana
5. 1997 Clint Dutil
University of Southwestern Louisiana
Pre-med Program
Lafayette, Louisiana
6. 1998 Ashley Lynne Perque
Daughter of Mary Perque
Lafourche Parish Health Unit
Thibodaux, Louisiana
7. 1999 Clair Millet
Public Health Nurse
St. James Parish Health Unit
Lutcher, Louisiana
- 1999 Chad Richard
Son of Larry Richard
Louisiana State University School of Veterinary Medicine
Lafayette, Louisiana
8. 2000 Erin Turnage
Daughter of Marianne Turnage, Region 3

Louisiana State University
Berwick, Louisiana

- 2000 Greg Scheuermann
Son of Becky Scheuermann
Louisiana College
Lafayette, Louisiana
9. 2001 Courtney Doris Day
Daughter of Betty Day
Southeastern LA University
Hammond, LA
- 2001 Margaret Anne Gaspard
Public Health Nurse
Lafayette Parish Health Unit
Lafayette, Louisiana
- 2001 Cheryl Harris Wheeler
Public Health Epidemiologist
HIV/AIDS Program
New Orleans, Louisiana
10. 2002 Janie Frances Kelly
Daughter of Ed Kelly
- 2002 Emily Ann Kelly
Daughter of Ed Kelly
11. 2003 Emily Ann Kelly
Daughter of Ed Kelly
- 2003 Sarah Backstrom
Daughter of Steve Backstrom
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Psychology Major
12. 2004 Kristen Joubert
Daughter of Kathy Joubert
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, LA
Biological Science Major
13. 2005 Katherine Thomas
Daughter of David Thomas

Mandeville, Louisiana
Pre-vet Major

14. 2006 Charles Methvien
Son of Charles Methvien
Southeastern Louisiana University
Hammond, Louisiana
Pre-Medicine
15. 2007 Jason Kraemer
Nursing Assistant
Tangipahoa Parish Health Unit
Hammond, Louisiana
16. 2008 Shondra G. Williams, RNP-C, MSN, APRN
Doctoral Student
Southern University A&M College, in Baton Rouge
St. Bernard Parish Health Unit
Chalmette, LA

**LOUISE McFARLAND AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PUBLIC HEALTH
COMMUNICATION**

To recognize media professionals for accurate, thorough broadcast, print, and/or electronic media coverage of public health programs or issues in Louisiana.

1. 2002 Sameh Fahmy
Health and Technology Reporter
The News Star
Monroe, Louisiana
2. 2003 John Pope
Health Reporter
The Times Picayune
New Orleans, Louisiana
3. 2004 Marsha Shuler
Reporter
Morning Advocate
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
4. 2005 Alisa Stingley
Interim Business Editor
The Times
Shreveport, Louisiana
- 2006 Not Given
5. 2007 LaTangela Sherman
Louisiana Ambassador for the Power to End Stroke Campaign
Production Director, Citadel Broadcasting Corporation
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- 2008 Not Given