



# KPHA E-NEWS UPDATE

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## Legislative Update



You are most likely being inundated with lots of emails about the legislative session, just as I am, so, I will keep this brief! **[Click here](#)** for this week's spread sheet. **[Click here](#)** for this week's agenda. **[Click here](#)** for the KPHA Testimony last week from Dr. Kimber Richter. **[Click here](#)** for Dr. Leon Vinci's testimony on behalf of AHA.

### **ACTION ALERT ON HB 2737**

The bill to raise the cigarette tax by 50 cents and the tobacco products tax to 57% of wholesale price has been heard by the House Taxation Committee on February 7 and 8. The tax increase would fund significant parts of the Kansas Public Health Authority proposals for health reform as well as reduce consumption and prevalence rates of tobacco use in Kansas. See bill text at **<http://www.kslegislature.org/bills/2008/2737.pdf>**.

It is important that the Tax Committee members know how important this bill is to their constituents. Urge your Tax Committee member to vote on this measure and move it to the full House for a vote. Contact YOUR House member or a House member you know on this issue. See the list below for contact information-either by phone or by email.

## Talking points:

1. Thanks for hearing HB 2737 on this very important issue.
2. I am asking you to support the tax increase and move the bill favorably out of the Tax Committee.
3. Passing this bill would reduce the prevalence of smoking in Kansas, keep more Kansas kids from smoking, and raise the funding needed for health reform programs and initiatives in the state.
4. Please let me know what you think about this bill at this point (or for next year, if action is not foreseen on this issue this session).
5. I would appreciate hearing about any action that is taken on this bill.

Be sure to list your name and address so that your legislator will know if you are a constituent. Be sure to share with us any information you receive.

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## Survey for KUMC

Dr. Kimber Richter has a couple of students who are doing a survey on Health Reform please ready the email below:

Greetings!

I am sending this email to you on behalf of John Eaton, Sara Oberhelman, Cordell Privat and Onnie Winblad. We are fourth year medical students at the University of Kansas School of Medicine and we are gathering health stakeholders' perspectives on the state of health care in Kansas and the Kansas Health Policy Authority's (KHPA) preferred reform options. Input from stakeholders is important in the creation and implementation of policy reform. This survey will ask about your views on the KHPA's proposed policy changes. A report with no identifying information will be generated and may be used to provide verbal or written testimony to legislators. This survey is not being conducted for AHA or any other organization-it is a student project.

This email was sent via a secure email account and the link (below) will direct you to a survey which is conducted on a secure website called SurveyMonkey. If you decide to participate in this survey, the information collected by the survey will be kept confidential. Aside from your opinions, the only information that will be collected will be your training, professional role, and region of residence. Survey data will be kept at KU Medical Center until the students finish their study and write their report. Only people doing the study or people who oversee research at KUMC will be able to access study data. The information that you provide will be kept private. No personal identifiers or identifying characteristics will be collected, hence no identifying information will be reported in the results. Last, AHA will not know whether you complete the survey or not, and choosing not to participate will not affect your standing in this organization in any way.

The survey should take approximately 5-10 minutes to complete this survey, but you are free to stop at any time. You are by no means required to complete the survey. Are you willing to participate in this survey?

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=DXBobY49jEOSiNr3z\\_2bW3ow\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=DXBobY49jEOSiNr3z_2bW3ow_3d_3d)

Thank you so much for your participation!

- John, Sara, Cordell, and Onnie

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## **KPHA Associate Director Position**

We had several contacts about the part time Associate Director position for KPHA. We will be doing interviews the first week in March. Here is the job description:

### **Kansas Public Health Association (KPHA) POSITION DESCRIPTION**

**Position:** Associate Director

**Reports to:** Executive Director

**Position Summary:** This position is responsible for projects approved by the KPHA Board of Directors and assigned by the Executive Director. The work involves outreach design, implementation, evaluation, reporting

and administrative support as it relates to the completion of tasks associated to KPHA's mission. In all aspects of this position, the work is guided by the Executive Director.

### **Position Functions**

- Membership Development
- Develops and implements an integrated plan for outreach and advocacy efforts.
- Coordinates advocacy training and outreach projects.
- Processes new memberships and renewals, maintains membership database, communicates with members, supports the newsletter and other member communications, prepares reports on membership, and implements membership recruitment programs.
- Builds a level of awareness about the opportunities and benefits of KPHA membership.
- Responds to requests for information, consultation and resources. Maintain membership services of the organization.

### **Fund Raising and Grant Writing**

- Assumes secondary responsibility for fund raising and grant research and writing
- Coordinates with Board in sponsorship development, and membership recruitment. This includes seeking out and recruiting potential new members, maintaining regular communications with current members, supporting development and dissemination of the Journal and newsletters, etc.

### **Administrative Support**

- Serves as an active member of KPHA's team
- Performs administrative duties as they relate to membership
- Prepares meeting locations, materials and logistics as they relate to the above statement requirements of this position

### **APHA Grant related activities**

- Develop short- and long-term marketing strategies.
- Recruit new members among current public health professionals.
- Recruit new members among graduating students in health professions and give one free year of membership.
- Perform membership development activities, like conducting satisfaction surveys.
- Conduct on-site orientation to KPHA.
- Research NALBO participation and involvement activities.
- Work with state businesses to recruit members from non-traditional groups.

### **Education and/or Experience**

Bachelors or Master's degree from an accredited college or university; or two or more year's related experience and/or training; or equivalent combination of education ad experience.

**Hours:** Part time-20 hours per week.

**Contact:** [director@kpha.us](mailto:director@kpha.us) for more information

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