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### MUSIC UP FULL.... THEN DUCK UNDER:

This is the award-winning Public Health Review Morning Edition for ... Friday, October 27th, 2023. I'm Robert Johnson. Now... today's news from the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials....

*BITE 1: We really have to find ways. to find common ground so that we can pull in the same direction even though we see the world differently in a lot of important and meaningful ways.*

**STORY 1:** Dr. Steven Stack of Kentucky... this week becomes ASTHO's 81<sup>st</sup> president.

*BITE 2: I really like working with bright, talented people who are really committed to making the world a better place. There's just so many bright and talented people across all of public health, and one of the great joys has been to work with my fellow state health officials.*

Stack is Public Health Commissioner in the bluegrass state. He assumes the Presidency from Alaska Chief Medical Officer Dr. Anne Zink. You can hear more of his interview in Thursday's newscast. ASTHO also issued a news release. You can read it using the link in the show notes.

**STORY 2:** The American Public Health Association is set to welcome public health leaders in early November to its annual meeting and expo... in Atlanta. A-P-H-A Executive Director Dr. Georges Benjamin says the message this year is about overcoming social and ethical challenges.

*BITE 1: this meeting we hope, will allow us to think [00:01:00] a lot about how best to reestablish trust, uh, and to address some of these ethical challenges that we've had over the last few years.*

Benjamin notes the agenda includes discussions on some big topics.

*BITE 2: we're going to have a, on Monday, an opening general session, which, [00:02:20] um, provides for a look at affirmative action. As you know, the Supreme Court recently pulled the rug from under affirmative action activity in our [00:02:30] educational system, and we're gonna have a really sound discussion around that. Uh, and then we're gonna close out the meeting with a debate about how to modernize the public health system*

The meeting begins November 12<sup>th</sup>. You can get more information by clicking the link in the show notes.

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**STORY 3:** Congress has a new Speaker of the House. ASTHO's Carolyn Mullen examines the impact on congressional business... and the next federal spending deadline... in this week's View from Washington D.C. report.

## MULLEN Q/A

**STORY 4:** Finally this morning.... get the latest news from Capitol Hill and state capitols across the country... when you sign up for ASTHO's legislative alert emails. The link is in the show notes.

Before we go... we'd like to remind you to follow this **newscast** on your podcast player.... and ASTHO on social media. We're on LinkedIn... Twitter... and Facebook.

That'll do it for today... We're back **Monday** morning... with more ASTHO news and information.

I'm Robert Johnson. You're listening to the award-winning Public Health Review Morning Edition. Have a great **weekend**!

## MUSIC OUT FULL

533: ASTHO President Seeks Common Ground, Congress Moving Again

Dr. Steven Stack, ASTHO's New President and Commissioner of the Kentucky Department for Public Health, wants to find common ground to push public health forward in his new role; Georges Benjamin, Executive Director of the American Public Health Association, is getting ready to welcome public health leaders in early November to their annual meeting; and Carolyn Mullen, ASTHO Senior Vice President for Government Affairs and Public Relations, looks at the impacts of Congress securing a new Speaker of the House.

[Public Health Review Morning Edition Episode 532: New ASTHO President, Licensing Questions May Promote Stigma](#)

[ASTHO News Release: Steven Stack, Commissioner of Kentucky Department for Public Health, Announced as Next ASTHO President](#)

[American Public Health Association Webpage: APHA 2023 Annual Meeting and Expo](#)

[ASTHO Legislative Alert: Federal Funding Update](#)

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