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Laura Magaña, PhD, MS
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Dear Dr. Magaña,

The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials would like to extend its support for the Association of Schools & Programs of Public Health's (ASPPH) application to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Workforce Improvement Project #1: *Case Studies and Supporting Content in Communication, Leadership, and Problem-Solving for Population Health*. The activities proposed by ASPPH to develop readily available population health training and educational products will not only provide great benefit to the PHWB fellows but more broadly for the governmental public health workforce in need of such content.

The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) is the only national, nonprofit organization representing the nation's state and territorial public health officials and the agencies they serve. ASTHO's mission is to support, equip, and advocate for state and territorial health officials in their work of advancing the public's health and well-being. We have had successful partnerships in the past with ASPPH on workforce development projects and actively participated in your Framing the Future Task Force.

ASTHO recognizes that ASPPH has a unique position as the national organization representing the CEPH-accredited schools of public health and through that role, an important resource for training and preparing the public health workforce, and we therefore enthusiastically endorse its application as a key partner.

Sincerely,



Michael Fraser, PhD MS CAE FCPP
Chief Executive Officer