



Legislative Education Day Agenda and Details

Purpose of the 2012 WSPHA Legislative Education Day

Continued budget reductions will have a devastating impact on our state's safety net, potentially including the public health system. Many programs and services could be drastically reduced or eliminated. These cuts will be felt by every resident in Washington, but will be especially hit hard the most vulnerable populations that we serve. It is important that your legislators hear from you about public health programs, services, and the impacts of proposed budget cuts.

Directions and Parking Information

The Urban Onion is located at 116 Legion Way (just off Capitol Way) in Olympia -- right across from Sylvester Park. There is no parking onsite at the Urban Onion. Parking is available for \$3 per day at the Governor Hotel (located on Capitol Way, a couple blocks South of the Urban Onion). There is also ample street parking--silver-domed meters are available for 9-hour parking and locations are shown on this map:

http://olympiawa.gov/en/community/parking/~//media/Files/CPD/Parking%20Services/Parking_Map_102011.pdf.

Additionally, if you prefer to park on the Capitol Campus, there are numerous visitor lots, and all day parking is about \$12; these lots tend to fill up fast. The visitor lots can be found on this map: <http://www.ga.wa.gov/images/campus-map.pdf>

If you are parking on campus or at a meter, you can take the Dash Shuttle (it's free) between the Urban Onion and the Capitol Campus (routes and stops included on the above link).

2012 WSPHA Legislative Education Day Schedule

- 9:00 a.m.** **Convene at the Urban Onion's Olympia Ballroom in Olympia**
Registration, beverages and light breakfast
- 9:20 a.m.** **Welcome – Nathan Weed, President, WSPHA**
- 9:30 a.m.** **Representative Laurie Jinkins**
- 9:45 a.m.** **Franklyn Smith, Recipient of Public Health Services**

- 10:00 a.m. State Budget Overview & Public Health Impacts – Jennifer Muhm, Public Health – Seattle & King County**
An overview of the state budget situation and the impacts on the public's health.
- 10:15 a.m. 2012 Key Policy Bills**
Tobacco Bills – Lucy Culp, American Heart Association
Secure Medicine Return & Children's Safe Products – Margaret Shield, King County Local Hazardous Waste Management Program
Government Food Procurement – Vic Colman, Childhood Obesity Prevention Coalition
- 10:30 a.m. Break**
- 10:40 a.m. Lobbying v. Advocacy v. Education – Dennis Worsham, Past President, WSPHA**
- 10:45 a.m. Talking with Your Legislator – Anne Tan Piazza, Washington State Nurses Association**
Information, tips, talking points and instructions to prepare you for conversations with your legislators.
- 11:15 a.m. Questions**
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch (provided)**
- 12:30 p.m. Afternoon Meetings on the Hill (see attached schedule)**
You will receive a complete schedule of meetings, and some of you will also be asked to drop materials at the offices of legislators who did not have time available for meetings. You are free to depart after you have finished your meetings—please fill out the “Post Legislative Meeting Report” for each of your meetings so that we can be sure to follow up with any legislators who have questions.

Know People Who Can't Go to Olympia?

Encourage them to participate virtually by calling or emailing their legislators. Please have them visit www.wspaha.org on January 25th for virtual participation!