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## ***Armed Conflict and War: What's A Health Professional to Do?***

APHA's Governing Council adopted a policy last year to guide our organization on the role of public health practitioners, academics and advocates in response to war and armed conflict, and further, to lay a platform for the adoption of future APHA policy statements and advocacy work on specific wars as they arise. The APHA policy paper provides the scientific basis and justification for an acknowledgment that war is one of the most significant threats to health, and articulates the roles that public health professionals can play in preventing war itself, as well as mitigating the public health consequences of war.

**“ War has profound public health consequences, and is an entirely preventable source of some the world's worst public health catastrophes.”**

*APHA Policy Statement (2009)*



**Medical students rally  
to prevent the start of the Iraq War  
San Francisco, January 2003**

All are welcome and encouraged to lend your perspective at a roundtable discussion on **Tuesday, November 9th at 4:30 - 6:00 CCC 303** to explore interdisciplinary opportunities to implement APHA's Policy Statement to advance public health overall. The policy statement can be found at:

<http://www.apha.org/advocacy/policy/policysearch/default.htm?id=1391>

Our conversations will initiate organization-wide discussion of implementation of the goals advanced in the 2009 APHA position paper. Learn the views of a wide range of APHA's constituents about how war and the prevention of war does or could impact their work.

*Join the discussion with APHA leaders on the policy statement's action items:*

1. Recognize the prevention of war as a global health priority and highlight the role of public health practitioners in the prevention of war. *Victor W. Sidel, MD*
2. Educate public health professionals, policy makers, and the public about the consequences of war. *Robert Gould, MD*
3. Encourage research and advocacy relating to the structural causes of conflict. *Barry Levy, MD, MPH*
4. Foster dialogue on the issue of war and build partnerships with international public health stakeholders. *Amy Hagopian, PhD*
5. Improve the competency of the global public health workforce to prevent and mitigate the impacts of war. *Rebecca Bartlein, MPH*

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APHA Public Health Exposition  
Colorado Convention Center

# Peace Caucus Program

## November 8 - 10, 2010 Denver, CO

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### MONDAY (3235.0)

12:30 - 2:00 PM • CCC 506

### WAR, TERRORISM AND PUBLIC HEALTH

V.W. SIDEL, MD AND B. S. LEVY, MD, MPH, PRESIDERS

- 12:30 Injury and Pain Among a War-Affected Population in Mitrovicë District of Kosovo (I): Prevalence and Risk Factors  
**S. J. Wang, MPH, PhD**; M. Salihu, MS; F. Rushiti, MD; L. Bala; J. Modvig, MD, PhD
- 12:48 Nuclear Weapons, Terrorism, and the Imperative of Nuclear Abolition--**R. Gould, MD**; P. Sutton, MPH
- 1:06 Coping with America's War Programs: A State Perspective--**Anthony Robbins, MD, MPA**
- 1:24 New developments in U.S. Policy Concerning Torture: The Legacy of Complicity--**Leonard Rubenstein, JD**
- 1:42 Advocacy of Boulder, Colorado, for Abolishing Nuclear Weapons: Implications for Nuclear Power  
**W. M. Marine, MD, MPH**; L. Ackland, Universtiy of Colorado Assoc Professor

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### MONDAY (3413.0)

4:30 - 6:00 PM • CCC 506

### WAR AND SOCIAL INJUSTICE

B. S. LEVY, MD, MPH AND V. W. SIDEL, MD, PRESIDERS

- 4:30 Responding to Terrorism: Civil Liberties and Human Rights **H. J. Geiger, MD, MSciHyg**
- 4:48 Use of Drones in Afghanistan and Pakistan **V. W. Sidel, MD**
- 5:06 Adverse Health Consequences of War on Civilians **B. S. Levy, MD, MPH**
- 5:24 Community Responses to Conflict in Eastern DRC: Comparing Men and Women's Perspectives **J. Kelly, MS**
- 5:42 Population-based survey of health and human rights: Documenting crimes against humanity in Burma  
**R. Sollom, MA, MPH**; A. Richards, MD, MPH

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## MONDAY 7:00-8:30 PM

### MEDICAL CONSEQUENCES OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

### ROBERT GOULD, MD

A RECEPTION, PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION

HOSTED BY

**COLORADO PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

JEFFERSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS BUILDING  
SE CORNER, 10TH AND WADSWORTH, LAKEWOOD, 1ST FL CONFERENCE RM

(A 10-15 MINUTE TAXI RIDE FROM CONVENTION CENTER)

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Kathleen Fagan, MD, MPH, and Patrice Sutton, MPH, Program Planners

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## TUESDAY (4209.0)

### SOCIAL JUSTICE, THE US MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

12:30 PM-2:00 PM • CCC 507

ANN HIRCHMAN, RN-C, FNP, MPH PRESIDER

- 12:30 Lengthy Enlistments in “The Long War”: What are the Costs for Servicemembers and their Families? **S. K. Trynosky, JD, MPH**  
12:50 Who Gets Left Behind: Adolescent Quality of Life in Military Families **S. Reed, MSW**; J. Bell, PhD, MPH; T. Edwards, PhD  
1:10 Violence Against Women in the Military **M. Donohoe, MD, FACP**  
1:30 Honoring Heros - Barriers to Veterans Health Care **A. Hirschman, RN-C, FNP, MPH**  
1:50 Discussion

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## TUESDAY (4377.1)

4:30 PM-6:00 PM • CCC 303

### THE ROLE OF PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTITIONERS IN RELATION TO ARMED CONFLICT AND WAR

K. FAGAN, MD, MPH, PRESIDER

*Roundtable discussions will provide an opportunity to learn the views of a wide range of APHA's constituents about how war and the prevention of war does or could impact their work. Session leaders will facilitate conversations with the goal of exploring opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration to broadly leverage the benefits of war prevention across a wide range of public health issues and priorities.*

*Table 1* — Recognize the prevention of war as a global health priority and highlight the role of public health practitioners in the prevention of war **V. W. Sidel, MD**

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**R. Bartlein, MPH**

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## TUESDAY (425.0)

6:30 PM-8:00 PM • CCC 303

### PEACE CAUCUS BUSINESS MEETING

## WEDNESDAY (5179.0)

12:30 PM-2:00 PM • CCC 507

### SOCIAL JUSTICE, WOMEN, AND HEALTH: NO HEALTH WITHOUT JUSTICE

J. MARSHALL, MD, PRESIDER

- 12:30 Women's Health in Sierra Leone and Liberia: The Impact of War and the Opportunities of Recovery **P. DeLargy**  
12:50 School Age Girls in Pakistan are hungry and uneducated, where is the justice in that?: **G. Pappas, MD PhD**  
1:10 Women in Government in Afghanistan: Taliban in suits **Z. Rasesh**  
1:30 Discussion

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CE CREDITS: MEDICAL (CME), HEALTH EDUCATION (CHES), NURSING (CNE)

**Get Inspired!**

**See You At the APHA Health Activist Dinner**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7 6:00 - 9:00 PM**

**MAGGIANO'S LITTLE ITALY 16TH ST., DENVER  
(3 BLOCKS FROM THE CONVENTION CENTER)  
TICKETS \$50'**

BARSKY AWARD - STEPHEN GLOYD  
CORNELY AWARD - MARGARET FLOWERS, L. TONI LEWIS,  
ELLEN R. SHAFFER  
WELLSTONE AWARD - SEN. BERNIE SANDERS (I-VT)  
ACTIVIST STUDENT RECOGNITION - COLE ZANETTI  
SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH-  
GERARDO HERNANDEZ, RAMON LABANINO, FERNANDO GONZALEZ,  
ANTONIO GUERRERO, RENE GONZALEZ - "THE CUBAN 5"

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*Proceeds to the James Koegh Student Scholarship Fund*



**November 9, 2010**

**8 pm - midnight**

Cash Bar DJ Tickets \$25-\$50

Lannie's Clocktower Caberet  
1601 Arapahoe, St., Denver  
(northeast corner of 16th St. Mall and Arapahoe)

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**Thank You!**

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