



Massachusetts Association of Public Health Nurses Membership Benefits

Take advantage of the many benefits available to you as a member of MAPHN!

GET CONNECTED!

Chapter Membership: There are **6 regional Chapters** supported by MAPHN, providing public health nursing with information, networking, continuing education, learning opportunities, “field trips”, and regionally relevant programs. \$50.00 of your dues paid annually to MAPHN goes toward the support of your selected chapter.

Chapters elect chapter officers and a chapter director to attend the quarterly meetings of the Board of Directors. Monthly chapter meetings are posted on our website with date, time, location and special information on guest speakers or programs. Members can select one of the following chapters when they join or renew their membership:

- **Northeast**
- **Southeast**
- **Metrowest/Central**
- **Western**
- **Cape & Islands**
- **Boston/Cambridge**
(currently inactive)

Membership Directory: An online directory of all current MAPHN members is available for those looking to connect.

Website: www.MAPHN.org is the portal for members to obtain the latest practice information, access educational products and services, tools to enhance their practice, get the latest news on professional topics, and explore how to access our benefits listed here..

Member-to-Member Forum: A place on our website where you can ask, comment or respond to questions or comments with other MAPHN members! MAPHN serves members by providing a dynamic forum for the exchange of new ideas, bringing together members to share their experiences, expertise and friendship

Newsletter and “News This Week”: Electronic newsletters are published twice a year, written for members and by members. MAPHN encourages articles to be submitted by all throughout the year at newsletter@maphn.org . “News This Week” is a weekly e-mail update sent to members’ inboxes with important information, advisories and relevant public health nursing news.

Facebook: Find us under [Massachusetts Association of Public Health Nurses](#) and like us!

GET INVOLVED!

Committees: MAPHN always welcomes member participation on our committees, who work on the foundations of our organization. We have committees working in:

- **Outreach, Visibility & Membership**
- **Service**
- **By-Laws**
- **Finance**
- **Conference Planning**
- **Nominations & Elections**
- **Education, Professional Practice, Research & Informatics**

Mentoring: MAPHN provides a viable resource to nurses new to the specialty of public health through its mentor program. Experienced PHNs are partnered with new PHNs, providing encouragement, support and guidance.

Service Projects

Operation Stand Down: This is an annual project coordinated by our Service Committee members. Volunteers from MAPHN, area Medical Reserve Corps (MRC), and university students provide foot care, diabetic screening and immunizations to at-risk and homeless veterans at the Operation Stand Down event in Boston.

Advocacy: MAPHN supports a pro-active legislative affairs program through our participation in CLPH (**Coalition for Local Public Health**), and LSAC (**Local and State Advisory Committee**), where we advocate for public health nursing and public health nursing practices. MAPHN also partners with other nursing organizations to advocate for issues impacting the field of nursing and public health. MAPHN keeps members abreast of the latest legislative and regulatory developments and often solicits support and assistance from members.

GET AHEAD!

Professional Development

Educational Support: MAPHN promotes excellence in continuing nursing education through our **annual Spring Conference**. It is the largest meeting of public health nurses in Massachusetts. MAPHN also provides educational opportunities at the Chapter level and through relevant webinars in partnership with our colleagues in public health. Many are archived on our website for future viewing. Continuing education hours are provided for conference and educational meeting attendance.

Savings: Being an MAPHN member means membership rates and discounts on all of the organization's conferences, webinars, and online educational materials. In addition, scholarship support is available to attend professional events such as the annual American Public Health Association (APHA) and Association of Public Health Nurses (APHN) conferences. Contact your Chapter President or info@maphn.org for more information.

Career Development: MAPHN has an online Employment Information Service which provides information to help members advance their careers, search for jobs, or post an advertisement for career opportunities in public health nursing.

Professional Resources

AnyMeeting™ Services and Free Conference Calling: These services for members include a call-in number for attendees and a special code for call planners who can opt to record the call for archiving, note taking and more. Instructions are on our website to arrange your meeting or conference call for 1 or 100 attendees!