

Health Equity Workgroup Report to General Assembly
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The workgroup met at the Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association in Boston in November and during the General. The major accomplishment of the workgroup was the development of an advocacy workshop, which was requested by WFPHA members in a needs assessment conducted during 2011-12. The workshop was part of PHA4Equity proposal developed by Laetitia Rispel after the World Congress in Ethiopia and endorsed by the Governing Council in 2012. The day-long workshop, developed with materials from the American Public Health Association and the Canadian Public Health Association, was presented at the 9th Public Health Association of South Africa (PHASA) Conference in collaboration with the African Federation of Public Health Associations (AFPHA).

The focus of the meeting during the General Assembly was planning for sessions at the World Congress. The Work Group is sponsoring an Advocacy Workshop before the Congress and two special sessions on the following: (1) Health Equity Framework Models and Implications for Action and (2) Global Challenges for Women and Children.