



**June 5<sup>th</sup>: Walking Tour 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. & Opening Reception 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. EDT**  
**June 6<sup>th</sup>: AGM & Conference 8 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. EDT**  
**June 7<sup>th</sup>: BOH Section & COMOH Section Meetings 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. EDT**  
 Pantages Hotel, Rehearsal Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 200 Victoria Street, Toronto, ON M5B 1V8.

<b>June 5<sup>th</sup></b>	
<b>Walking Tour Featuring Toronto Public Health Heritage Plaques</b>  For more than 140 years, Toronto Public Health has worked hard to advance the health of all those who live, work, and play in Toronto. These efforts focus on keeping people safe from illnesses, preventing diseases, and promoting good health. Join your colleagues for a guided walk to learn more about the many ways that public health has helped to make Toronto a better and healthier place to live.  Tour Leader: Lori Zuppinger, Toronto Archives	2 p.m. – 4 p.m.
<b>Opening Reception</b>  Come and join colleagues, old and new, at a reception with a cash bar and light snacks. This is an excellent opportunity to connect and reconnect with colleagues at this unique venue overlooking Massey Hall.	5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
<b>June 6<sup>th</sup></b>	
<i>A light breakfast will be available at 7:30 a.m.</i>	7:30 a.m. – 8 a.m.
<b>Call to Order, Opening Remarks, and Land Acknowledgement</b> Conference Chair: Dr. Charles Gardner, President, alPHa Board of Directors	8 a.m. – 8:05 a.m.

<p><b>Medicine Bag Workshop</b> Facilitator: Marc Forgette, <a href="#">Makatew Workshops</a></p> <p>Marc Forgette is a noted Indigenous speaker who works with organizations from across Canada. In this workshop, each participant will assemble their own medicine bag. During the workshop, Marc will share his thoughts on several topics including the difference between cultural appropriation versus appreciation, terminology, and the Truth and Reconciliations' 94 Calls to Action.</p>	8:05 a.m. – 9 a.m.
<p><b>Welcoming Remarks</b> Speakers: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, and the Hon. Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health</p>	9 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
<p><b>Welcoming Remarks and an Update on Public Health Priorities and Initiatives from the Chief Medical Officer of Health</b> Speaker: Dr. Kieran Moore, Chief Medical Officer of Health</p>	9:30 a.m. – 10 a.m.
<p><b>Morning Break</b></p>	10 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
<p><b>Combined alPHa Business Meeting and Resolutions Session</b> Conference Chair: Dr. Charles Gardner, President, alPHa Board of Directors Resolutions Chair and Parliamentarian: Dr. Robert Kyle, MOH, Durham Region Health Department</p>	10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
<p><b>Lunch, Distinguished Service Awards, and Board Recognition</b> Speakers: Dr. Charles Gardner, President, alPHa Board of Directors and Loretta Ryan, Executive Director, alPHa</p> <p>The Distinguished Service Award (DSA) is given by alPHa to individuals in recognition of their outstanding contributions to public health in Ontario by board of health members, health unit staff, and public health professionals. The Award is given to those individuals who have demonstrated exceptional qualities of leadership in their own milieu, achieved tangible results through long service or distinctive acts, and shown exemplary devotion to public health.</p>	12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
<p><b>Proposed Voluntary Public Health Unit Mergers</b> Speakers: Dr. Lianne Catton, Medical Officer of Health &amp; CEO, Porcupine Health Unit Wess Garrod, Chair, Kingston, Frontenac, Lennox &amp; Addington Public Health Bonnie Clark, Board member, Peterborough Public Health Moderator: Dr. Eileen de Villa, Treasurer, alPHa Board of Directors</p> <p>One-time funding, resources, and supports are being offered by the Province of Ontario to local public health agencies that voluntarily merge to streamline and reinvest back into strengthening and enhancing programs and services. Come and hear about three proposed voluntary mergers of public health units. Speakers will discuss the rationale for the proposed mergers and what brought them to the decision to move forward.</p>	1:45 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

<p><b>Update on Strengthening Public Health</b></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liz Walker, Executive Lead, Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health</li> <li>• Colleen Kiel, Director, Public Health Strategic Policy, Planning and Communications Branch</li> <li>• Brent Feeney, Director, Accountability and Liaison Branch</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Paul Sharma, Affiliate Representative, alPHa Board of Directors</p> <p>The Province of Ontario’s Strengthening Public Health initiative aims to have a stronger public health system that will support Ontario communities for years to come. The province is working with partners to refine and clarify the roles of local public health units, to reduce overlap of services, and focus resources on improving people’s access to programs and services. Come and hear the latest updates from staff from the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health.</p>	<p>2:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Networking Break</b></p>	<p>3 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Two Years In and Two Years Out – <i>What’s in Store at Queen’s Park?</i></b></p> <p>Speakers: Sabine Matheson, Principal, StrategyCorp and John Perenack, Principal, StrategyCorp</p> <p>Raconteur: Dr. Charles Gardner, President, alPHa Board of Directors</p> <p>The current provincial government is two years into its mandate with two years left to go. Hear about what to expect regarding the public policy climate and key political issues impacting public health agencies and their local boards of health.</p> <p><i>Attendees will have an opportunity to pose questions in advance and at the conference. Please send advance questions to <a href="mailto:communications@alphaweb.org">communications@alphaweb.org</a> on or before May 24.</i></p>	<p>3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Wrap Up</b></p> <p>Conference Chair: Dr. Charles Gardner, President, alPHa Board of Directors</p>	<p>4:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.</p>
<p><b>June 7<sup>th</sup></b></p>	
<p><b>Section Meetings:</b> <i>Members of the BOH Section and COMOH Section will meet the next day. There are separate agendas for these meetings. <b>A light breakfast will be available starting at 8:30 a.m.</b></i></p>	<p>9 a.m. – 12 p.m.</p>

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