

Hello SPE Partners,

As shared in a previous email, we have decided to skip the July 21st meeting for a variety of reasons. Instead, I've asked the members to provide me with any updates or news they would like to be shared, so see below for a few items which may interest you. Please let me know if you would like me to boost anything else, and we'll see you on September 15th for the next SPE Meeting.

Nominations for the 2025 Prevention Awards of Excellence Nomination are being accepted

Do you know a prevention professional whose contributions to the prevention field should be recognized?

The categories demonstrating excellence in prevention are: Tribal Prevention; Youth Leadership; Young Adult Leadership; Professional and/or Exceptional Community Prevention Leader; Community Coalition and/or Community Prevention Group; Contributions to Prevention by an Organization, Business, or Agency; and Early-Career Prevention Professional. An overview of the awards program with category descriptions and nomination information can be found on the [Athena Forum](#). The questions to prepare and nomination survey link are located on the [Athena Forum 2025 Prevention Awards webpage](#).

Consider nominating that prevention professional today! The nomination window closes July 31, 2025, must be submitted via the nomination survey link. Please submit any questions to **Martha Williams** at martha.williams@hca.wa.gov.

For those interested in an explanation of potential changes to prevention funding at the federal level, SPE policy expert Julie Peterson recommends watching this webinar:

CADCA's Sue Thau leads: [The President's Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Request Explained](#)

Also, the Washington Public Health Association is hosting their annual conference in October and registration is open!

🎉 Join us for the Annual Conference!!

📍 Location: Yakima Convention Center

📅 When: October 21-23, 2025

Theme: Together for Health: Action, Compassion and Collaboration

Be a part of a inspiring three-day gathering of public health professionals, community leaders, researchers, students, and advocates from across the state.

The Annual Public Health Conference is your chance to connect, where ideas become action and collaboration drives meaningful change.

See the draft agenda [here](#).

💡 [Register Today!](#)

Take advantage of discounted registration and secure your spot today!

We hope to see you all at the September 15th meeting, and in the meantime, please take care of yourselves and let me know how the SPE Consortium can support you.

In community,

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