



Federation of State Physician Health Programs

FSPHP Insights

February 6, 2026



2026 Conference Speakers Announced!



George M. Abraham, MD, MPH, MACP, FIDSA, FRCP...
Saint Vincent Hospital
Chief of Medicine



Michael Baron, MD, MPH, DFASAM, FAPA
Tennessee Medical Foundation



Christopher Bundy, MD, MPH, FAPA, FASAM
Washington Physicians Health Program



Paul Earley, MD, DFASAM
Georgia Professionals Health Program, Inc
Medical Director



Lisa Merlo, PhD, MPE
Professionals Resource Network (Florida); University of Florida
Professor of Psychiatry, University of Florida; Director of Research,...



Mubo Olufemi, MSc
University of Utah



Michael Seely, PsyD
Acumen Assessments, Acumen Institute



Joseph (Buddy) Stockwell III, JD
Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program

Join us in Baltimore, April 29 – May 2, for a dynamic program featuring **thought leaders** and **experts** from across the physician health and well-being community.

Register by **February 28** for the lowest registration rates!

👉 [View the full lineup of speakers.](#)

👉 [Full conference details & registration](#)



PHP Research Information System and Participation Request

Exclusive opportunity for FSPHP PHP Members.

The FSPHP Research Information System (RIS) is a national initiative designed to strengthen Physician Health and Healthcare Professional Programs through secure, ethical, and data-driven insights.

By participating, PHPs can help answer critical questions about who we serve, how we support recovery and return to practice, and the impact of our work—while maintaining the highest standards of privacy and confidentiality.


Join us in advancing advocacy, demonstrating outcomes, and shaping the future of physician and health professional well-being nationwide.


[Learn more here!](#)

This webpage is available to FSPHP Associate & State Voting Members only and member log-in is required.



Buy Tix for the FSPHP 2026 Social Event at Camden Yards in Baltimore by March 20 Orioles Game & All-Inclusive Picnic Perch

 **Date:** Wednesday, April 29, 2026

 **Time:** 6:35 PM

 **Baltimore Orioles vs. Houston Astros**

Enjoy **all-inclusive ballpark favorites**—hot dogs, nachos, ice cream, and Pepsi beverages—along with **Club Level seating** that offers fantastic views and access to exclusive bistro tables.

 **Tickets: \$65**

 **Purchase by: March 20, 2026**

[Learn more and buy your tickets!](#)



Michael Stadler, MD, Edwin Kim, MD, FAPA and Jim Lorence

Advocacy Update from Wisconsin

FSPHP once again partnered with the Wisconsin Medical Society (WisMed) last week in supporting legislation that will allow Wisconsin to join 47 other states in creating a Health Professional Assistance Program (HPAP) - an important resource for physicians and other health care professionals.

FSPHP President-Elect **Edwin Kim**, MD, FAPA and WisMed Chief Value and Engagement Officer and FSPHP Member **Jim Lorence** testified together in front of the Senate Committee on Mental Health, Substance Abuse Prevention, Children and Families in strong support of [Senate Bill 802](#), which supports the creation of such an HPAP. The program would assist health care professionals who seek help for behavioral health issues.

[Read more here.](#)



Wishing Terry Bedient a Happy & Well-Earned Retirement

FSPHP extends our deepest appreciation and warm congratulations to **Terrance M. Bedient, FACHE**, on his retirement. Terrance has been an extraordinary leader and advocate for physician health and well-being for decades, leaving an enduring legacy that has shaped the culture of support within our profession.

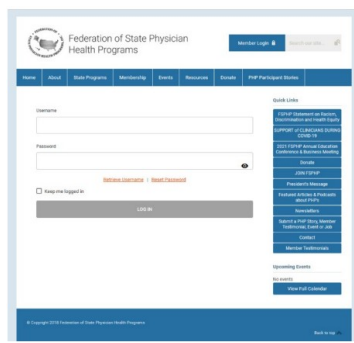
As Vice President of the **Medical Society of the State of New York** and Executive Director of the **Committee for Physician Health** since 1997, Terrance has guided countless physicians and advanced physician health initiatives across New York and beyond. A longtime **Board member** and **past Treasurer of the FSPHP**, he pioneered the early growth of our organization with his wisdom, administrative leadership, and unwavering vision.

Complementing his physician health leadership, Terrance volunteered as a Class A Trustee of a recovery program's General Service Board (GSB) in New York City, serving as Treasurer before his Chairmanship from 2013-2017. During this tenure, he advanced strategic outreach to foster hope in diverse communities, ensured governance stability amid transitions, and provided fiscal oversight to reinforce the program's principles of recovery, unity, and selfless service—efforts chronicled in newsletters like the [Summer 2013 issue](#) featuring his appointment and the [July 2017 Quarterly Report reflecting his legacy](#).

Terrance's distinguished healthcare career spans over four decades, from U.S. Army Medical Service Corps service to executive roles at Beekman Downtown Hospital, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Michigan, and as President/CEO of Myers Community Hospital near Rochester, New York. His board service includes the Hospital Association of New York State (HANYS), Rochester Regional Hospital Association, and appointment by Chief Judge Judith Kaye as a charter member of the Lawyers Assistance Trust, overseeing substance abuse programs for attorneys and judges.

We celebrate Terrance for elevating standards of well-being, recovery, and accountability for those who care for others. His contributions will inspire future generations of physician health leaders.

On behalf of the FSPHP Board and membership, we thank Terrance for his decades of remarkable service, leadership, and friendship. We wish him a fulfilling retirement, confident his influence endures.



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Don't Miss These Virtual FSPHP Membership Events

FSPHP Membership Information Session


 **Date:** Wednesday, February 18, 2026


 **Time:** 12:00pm - 1:30pm Eastern Time


 **Audience:** Open to both new and existing members of FSPHP. This event will be attended by the FSPHP Board of Directors and will provide you with an opportunity to make connections with other FSPHP members.


 [Click here to register.](#)

Open Forum Leadership Series

 **Date:** Tuesday, February 24, 2026

 **Time:** 1:00 - 2:00 PM Eastern Time


 **Facilitator:** Michael Sorna, MD MSA FASAM, Medical Director, Professionals Resource


 **Audience:** Open to PHP members who are part of their program's leadership team.

 [Learn more and register!](#)

FSPHP New Member Meeting

 **Date:** Tuesday, March 31, 2026

 **Time:** 12:00pm - 1:30pm Eastern Time

 **Audience:** This meeting is open to all FSPHP members - both new and existing! This is a great chance to connect, collaborate, and help shape the future of physician health.

 [Click here to register.](#)



Call for Content in the Spring Issue - *Physician Health News*

Submit Your News & Articles

FSPHP invites you to contribute to the Spring 2026 issue of *Physician Health News*—our biannual newsletter dedicated to sharing important updates, research, and innovations that support the health and well-being of physicians and other health professionals. This is your opportunity to highlight your work, share your organization’s achievements, and showcase your commitment to physician health and wellness.

We welcome submissions that highlight:

- Updates from member organizations
- Research, projects, or initiatives related to physician well-being
- Success stories or program highlights
- Innovations in mental health, substance use recovery, and monitoring
- Upcoming events, milestones, or collaborations
- Awards, leadership transitions, or organizational announcements

Content Submission Due March 2nd.

[Learn more and submit your article](#)

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COMING UP!

ETAC

Monday, February 9 at 3pm Eastern

Member Information Session

Wednesday, February 18 at 12:00pm Eastern

[Register](#)

February 2026						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	● Membership Committee		● Program Planning Committee	● Finance Committee Meeting		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	● FSPHP-ETAC Committee (ETAC)					
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
			● Membership Information Session...			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
			● Funding Development Committee...	● (FSPHP-ETAC) (FSPHP-ETAC)	● Task Force to Assess State Laws...	
			● Research Committee			

Open Forum Leadership Series
Tuesday, February 24 at 1pm Eastern
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Funding Development Committee
Wednesday, February 25 at 1pm Eastern

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