

North Dakota Public Health Conference	
Day 1: May 5, 2026	
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM	Registration Check-in <i>Lunch on your own</i> Exhibit Hall Open
12:30 PM	Welcome, Opening Session
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Opening Plenary: Public Health Updates in North Dakota
2:00 PM – 2:45 PM	Break & Visit Sponsors
2:15 PM – 2:45 PM	Poster Session A
2:45 PM – 3:45 PM	Breakout Out Session 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATOD: Motivational Interviewing: Implementation Considerations for Managers • Community Health: Suicide Prevention in North Dakota • General Environmental Health: Wildfire Smoke and Air Quality in North Dakota • Food Safety: The Dose Makes the Poison: The Challenges of Food Additives • Infectious Disease: Polio: Do you Remember It? Storytelling by the Ones Who Do • Smorgasbord: Strength-Based Public Health Messaging: Centering Relationships and Tribal Sovereignty & How Cultural Identity and Connection through Programming Promote Healing and Resilience for Native Americans • Syndemic: Prioritizing Outbreak Planning and Understanding Local Public Health Unit Responsibilities During Infectious Disease Outbreaks
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Breakout Out Session 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATOD: Leveraging the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention Strategies to Impact Community Change • Community Health: From Community to Care Teams: The Growing Role of Community Health Workers in North Dakota • General Environmental Health: Innovations in Radon Education and Testing in North Dakota • Food Safety: MN Nice Doesn't Apply • Infectious Disease: Demystifying Death Certificate Completion: What You Need to Know • Smorgasbord: StrengthsFinder 2.0 and Beyond • Syndemic: How Is Your STI Prevention Program? Evaluating Programs & Best Practices

Day 2: May 6, 2026	
	<i>Breakfast on your own</i>

8:30 AM – 8:45 AM	Welcome, Daily Announcements, Awards
8:45 AM – 9:45 AM	Plenary, National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) President
9:45 AM – 10:30 AM	Break & Visit Sponsors
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Poster Session B
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	<p>Breakout Out Session 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATOD: Strengthening Clinician Capacity to Treat Youth Nicotine Dependence: Findings from the ACCESS Study • Community Health: TBD • General Environmental Health: Brief Insight into the World of Hazardous Waste • Food Safety: Wild Mushrooms • Infectious Disease: TBD • Smorgasbord: Building Better Programs: Lessons on What Works, What Doesn't, and Creating Lasting Results • Syndemic: Spilling the Tea on HIV Stigma and Survival
11:45 AM – 1:00 PM	Lunch - Provided
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	<p>Breakout Out Session 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATOD: Justice for Katarina: What Happens After the Sirens Fade • Community Health: Well Parents, Well Kids: Growing Postpartum Support in North Dakota • General Environmental Health: EPHEPR Framework – Environmental Public Health Emergency Preparedness & Response • Food Safety: Epidemiology and Environmental Health in Enteric Disease Investigation in North Dakota • Infectious Disease: Avian Influenza • Smorgasbord: Not Another Boring Meeting (or Training): Tips for Participant Engagement • Syndemic: Community Strategies in Response to Rising Syphilis Rates
2:15 PM – 3:15 PM	<p>Breakout Out Session 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATOD: Building Your Prevention Capacity: Mapping, Connecting, Storytelling • Community Health: Caring for the Whole Person • General Environmental Health: The Importance of Pool Design • Food Safety: Value in Waste: Compliance in Nose to Tail Marketing • Infectious Disease: Avian Influenza <p>Smorgasbord: Bridging Worlds: Using Culturally Grounded Metaphors to Build Capacity with Indigenous Evaluation Frameworks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Syndemic: TBD
3:15 PM – 3:45 PM	Break, Visit Sponsors, Snacks
3:45 PM – 4:45 PM	<p>Breakout Out Session 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATOD: There Has Always Been Drinking in America: Alcohol, History, Culture, and What it All Means for Prevention • Community Health: The Power of Prevention: ScreeND's Impact on Rural and Tribal Communities in North Dakota

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Environmental Health: Communicating Radon Risk: Strategies to Engage North Dakotans on an Invisible Environmental Hazard • Food Safety: Balancing the Plate: Addressing Static and Dynamic Risks in Food Safety • Infectious Disease: Disease Investigation: Human Rabies in a North Dakota Healthcare Facility • Smorgasbord: Community Power: Driving Public Health Change Through Advocacy • Syndemic: Refugee and Immigrant Health: Supports to Move From Surviving to Thriving
Day 3: May 7, 2026	
	<i>Breakfast on your own</i>
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	Breakout Out Session 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATOD: CredibleMind • Community Health: Education and Donor Milk Programs Strengthening Breastfeeding Support and Public Health Across North Dakota • General Environmental Health: Updates for Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Code • Food Safety: Kwik Trip, Inc. (Kwik Star) Food Protection Risk Management Systems • Infectious Disease: From Concern to Confidence: Responding to Common Vaccine Concerns from Parents and Patients • Smorgasbord: Good Ideas, Messy Results: Why Public Health Efforts Don't Always Go as Planned • Syndemic: Tuberculosis Part 1
9:45 AM – 10:45 AM	Breakout Out Session 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATOD: Emerging Drug Trends and the Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program (ODMAP) as a Public Health and Public Safety Collaborative Tool in North Dakota • Community Health: Cultivating Access: Expanding Local Foods in North Dakota • General Environmental Health: TBD • Food Safety: TBD • Infectious Disease: Public Health and School Collaboration During the 2025 Measles Outbreaks in North Dakota • Smorgasbord: The Family Resource Center Model: A Practical Framework for Advancing Community Wellbeing • Syndemic: Tuberculosis Part 2
10:45AM – 11:00 AM	Snack Break
11:00 AM – 11:15 AM	Awards
11:15 AM – 12:15 PM	Plenary: For Such a Time as This: Championing Public Health Through Advocacy and Action, American Public Health Association (APHA) President
12:15 PM	Closing

