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MEDIA ALERT

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Fatherhood as a Public Health Priority

American Public Health Association (APHA) Hosting First Pre-Conference Event

(Washington, DC) – The Men's Health Caucus (MHC) is hosting its first pre-conference session, *Fatherhood as a Public Health Priority*, as a part of this year's **141st Annual Meeting & Exposition of the American Public Health Association (APHA).** The event is co-sponsored by the Black Caucus of Health Workers of APHA and organized in collaboration with Men's Health Network, Massachusetts Children's Trust Fund, Men's Health League of the Cambridge Health Alliance, and Whittier Street Health Center.

The *Fatherhood as a Public Health Priority* pre-conference session is an opportunity to prioritize the importance of fatherhood in health and discuss how local communities are empowering fathers and changing parenting approaches through multi-sector approaches. Some of the program highlights include, Documentary film maker Noube Rateau - Producer, Director, <u>Noube Productions</u> and Presentations and panel discussion from local & national experts. Light breakfast refreshments will be provided.

WHAT:	<i>Fatherhood as a Public Health Priority</i> (APHA Pre-Conference Event) This event is free of charge and is OPEN to those interested in hearing more about this
WHEN:	Sunday, November 3, 2013 from 8:30 AM to 11:00 AM (EST) Registration opens at 8:30 AM. The program runs from 9 to 11 AM
WHERE:	Tufts School of Dental Medicine 1 Kneeland Street Boston, MA 02111
HOW:	Register for FREE at http://menshealthcaucus.eventbrite.com/

ABOUT: All are invited: APHA conference attendees, health & social service providers, medical personnel, human service workers, public health professionals, maternal and child health professionals, community leaders, students and faith-based volunteers.

CONTACT: Questions about the APHA Men's Health Caucus should be directed to <u>ana@menshealthnetwork.org</u>

The Men's Health Caucus is an officially recognized special interest area of the American Public Health Association. The mission of the MHC is to bring together academic, federal, state and local health departments, private and non-profit organizations with a common interest in improving and the health and well-being of men and boys and their families. The MHC coordinates a diverse, multidisciplinary, and coordinated approach and group to better tackle public health issues within our communities.

Men's Health Network (MHN) is a national non-profit organization whose mission is to reach men, boys, and their families where they live, work, play, and pray with health prevention messages and tools, screening programs, educational materials, advocacy opportunities, and patient navigation. Learn more about MHN at www.menshealthnetwork.org and follow us on Twitter @MensHlthNetwork and <u>facebook.com/menshealthnetwork</u>

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