EDITORIAL

Journal of Public Health Policy Affiliates with the World Federation of Public Health Associations

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Around the world, public health researchers, scholars and practitioners belong to public health associations. The *Journal of Public Health Policy*, starting in 2006, will be linked to them more closely through the World Federation of Public Health Associations (www.wfpha.org). We have recently concluded an agreement with the Federation so that the *Journal* may communicate more effectively with members of the 69 member associations. Here is what will happen:

- A special four-page WFPHA section, written by the WFPHA, will appear in each issue of the *Journal*. We will present the section on our website. The WFPHA and all its member associations will be invited to use the material on their websites.
- Individual print plus online individual subscriptions to the *Journal* will be available to association members for \$40 instead of the usual \$60. A special subscription form is printed within this issue and further copies may be obtained from the JPHP website (www.palgrave-journals.com/jphp).
- The *JPHP* website, part of Palgrave Macmillan Journals (www.palgrave-journals.com/jphp), will provide a link to the website of WFPHA and to websites of any national association that requests it. We will encourage national associations to link back to the *JPHP* website.
- WFPHA has designated Professor Ulrich Laaser from Bielefeld, Germany, Chair of its Policy Committee to work with the *Journal* to assure the greatest mutual benefit from this affiliation. He will also serve as the *Journal's* Associate Editor for the WFPHA Section. We eagerly look forward to working with him.

- We expect, in the coming year, to name as many as five members of WFPHA's leadership to the *Journal's* Editorial Board.

WFPHA has also expressed a great desire to collaborate with the Editors on AuthorAID (see p. 387). While not formally a *Journal* project, our publishers have already featured AuthorAID at the Palgrave Macmillan Journals website and they are pleased that the affiliation with WFPHA will help bring AuthorAID into operation.

THE EDITORS