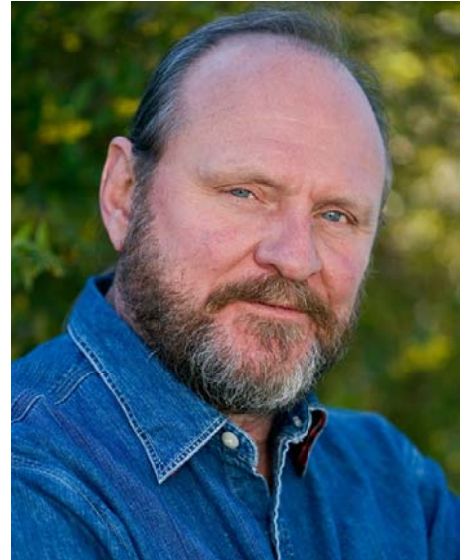

Stephen Conley New ASHA Executive Director

The American School Health Association (ASHA) has selected Stephen Conley, Ph.D., as executive director of the organization. Dr. Conley will succeed Susan F. Wooley, Ph.D., who will retire December 31, 2010, after a successful 13-year career with ASHA. Prior to his start date in October of 2010, Dr. Conley will consult with ASHA staff and meet members and association supporters.

“Having Dr. Conley join us marks the end of a very successful search process,” said ASHA President David Wiley, Ph.D. “I greatly appreciate the diligent efforts of the search committee and the Board of Directors for their invaluable contributions to ASHA and its members. I am confident we have the right person for the job.”



Dr. Conley is well known as an advocate and leader for youth in all areas of risk behaviors and protective approaches as well as for developing interventions for prevention of health and behavior problems.

He served as executive director and chief operating officer of the American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists from 2001-2009 and has a prior history of service in public health with the Virginia Department of Health. He received his Ph.D. in education from Virginia Commonwealth University and completed other post-graduate work at VCU and East Tennessee State University. He received a B.A. in business and public education from the University of Virginia College at Wise.

“It is an honor to succeed Susan Wooley at ASHA and I look forward to helping move this important membership association forward,” Dr. Conley said. “The needs of youth in schools are great and there’s much we can continue to contribute.”

President Wiley notes, “Dr. Conley’s experience as an executive director will be invaluable as he takes over the stable and successful framework left by Dr. Wooley. She will be leaving ASHA in great shape and Dr. Conley should hit the ground running as our new ED.”

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