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ASPPH Statement Condemning Attacks on Asian-Americans

Crimes targeting Asian Americans have risen dramatically in the US since the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic. The deadly violence this week in Atlanta is horrific and senseless. ASPPH again calls on all Americans to condemn attacks on Asian-Americans and businesses perceived to be linked to Asia. The academic public health community strongly condemns racist and xenophobic statements and actions. We urge the Department of Justice to prosecute crimes and discrimination targeting Asian-Americans to the fullest extent of the law. ASPPH will not tolerate harassment and discrimination in any form. Our members stand united in opposing efforts to demonize individuals due to their ancestry or birth country. The enemy is COVID-19 and not our fellow human beings.

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