The mission of the Association of Safe Patient Handling Professionals (ASPHP) is to improve the safety of caregivers and their patients by advancing the science and practice of safe patient handling and mobility. Inherent in our mission statement is the close link between care giver and care recipient (patient) safety and well-being.

The Board of Directors, certificants and members of the ASPHP represent a multi-functional, inter-disciplinary team of healthcare professionals who are dedicated to the recognition of safety for patients and clinicians across all healthcare settings.

We are committed to providing support to the National Academy of Medicine’s Action Collaborative on Clinical Well-Being and Resilience in their efforts to reverse clinician (care giver) burnout and promote well-being. We hope to work together to bring about change, including legislation and best practice recommendations, that meet our mission and that of the Collaborative. We would be honored to provide input whenever requested and/or warranted.

We attended the first public meeting of the collaborative on July 14, 2017 and provided resource materials prior to and since that meeting. Our website (www.asphp.org) provides a great deal of information, demonstrating the link between patient and clinician safety and well-being, as well as information that identifies and quantifies the negative impact of care giver burnout. The Learning Center of our website contains a wealth of knowledge regarding these issues and is continually refreshed as new content becomes available.

We thank you for this opportunity and look forward to assisting the Collaborative in meeting their mission.