

Michael Scheurer, PhD, MPH, is Professor and Founding Director of the Center for Epidemiology and Population Health in the Department of Pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine. He is also co-Leader of the Cancer Prevention and Population Sciences Program and Director of the Population Sciences Biorepository in the Dan L. Duncan Comprehensive Cancer Center. Dr. Scheurer earned his bachelor's degree in biological sciences and anthropology from the University of Alabama, a Master of Public Health degree from UAB, and a doctoral degree in epidemiology from the University of Texas School of Public Health. After completing post-doctoral training in molecular epidemiology at MD Anderson Cancer Center, he joined the faculty of the Department of Pediatrics at the Baylor College of Medicine in 2007. Dr. Scheurer has a long-standing interest in the co-factors that contribute to the development of virus-associated cancers. For the past 10 years, his research has focused on the identification of novel risk factors for cancer risk and outcomes among children and adolescents. Prior to establishing the Center for Epidemiology and Population Health, he was the Director of the Epidemiology Program at Texas Children's Cancer and Hematology Centers. His leadership in the field of childhood cancer epidemiology has led to his involvement with the Childhood Leukemia International Consortium, for which he is currently a member of the management group, and the Brain Tumor Epidemiology Consortium, for which he served as Treasurer from 2015-2020 and is currently the US Co-Vice President. He also created the Adolescent and Childhood Cancer Epidemiology and Susceptibility Service (ACCESS), funded by the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, which provides a core resource for the conduct of childhood cancer epidemiology across the state.

Dr. Scheurer joined ASPO in 2006 when he attended the New Investigator Workshop as a post-doctoral fellow and has "grown up" with ASPO. Since then he has actively contributed to ASPO's mission in several ways. He was the Program Co-chair for the 2018 Annual Meeting in New York, and previously served on the planning committee for the annual conference in Tampa in 2009. For the 2007 meeting in Houston, he helped organize the preconference workshops. He has also served as a poster judge at numerous annual meetings. Dr. Scheurer is committed to the development of ASPO's junior members and contributed as a faculty member to the New Investigator Workshop in 2009 and consistently each year since 2014. Dr. Scheurer would bring his experience in research, leadership, and mentoring to ensure that ASPO continues to play a key role in the future of cancer prevention and control, including the preparation of a workforce to meet the changing needs of the field.