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SPH in the News

US environment agency misses dioxin deadline - *Nature*; quotes **David Eaton** (DEOHS).

How to build a healthy transportation system - Dean **Howard Frumkin's** opinion piece in *The Seattle Times*.

Worldwide malaria deaths double WHO estimates - *US News & World Report* and other publications; IMHE study led by **Christopher Murray** (GH, HServ) with **Stephen Lim** (GH, HServ), **Moshen Naghavi** (GH), **Rafael Lozano** (GH, HServ) and **Alan Lopez** (GH).

Diet high in processed meat linked to increased diabetes risk in populations with high diabetes rate - *UW Today*; **David Siscovick** (Epi) was senior author of the study and **Amanda Mae Fretts** (PhD alum, Epi) led the research team.

How US private insurance healthcare is failing - *The Guardian*; An **IMHE** study is cited.

Who Knew??



Our UW Warren G. Magnuson Health Sciences

Building is the fifth largest building in the United States and the largest university building in the world. With its 20 connected wings it totals 5.7 million square feet.

On the Calendar

February 16, 4:00
Innovative Technologies to Address Vitamin and Mineral Deficiencies

February 16, 4:00
Why do Rare Individuals Control HIV Infection: Are They Less Tolerant?

February 28, 8:00 am
Children's Environmental Health Research Matters conference

March 12, 3:30
Socioeconomic Status: Mediator, Moderator or Cause?

Congrats!



Jeffrey Walls (MS student, DEOHS) is featured in a Q&A with *EHS Today*, an online and print magazine focusing on occupational health, safety and environment issues. The magazine named Walls the 2011 Future Leader in EHS.



Health Alliance International, a non-profit affiliated with the Department of Global Health, is beneficiary of this year's fund-raiser by **Agency** (formerly known as Party with a Purpose), a group of young Seattle-area professionals. It will buy 2,000 phones and texting services for the "Mobile Moms" project in Timor-Leste, which sends health messages to pregnant women.



Andy Stergachis (Epi, GH, HServ) and his family have made a lead gift to The School of Pharmacy's Pharmaceutical Outcomes Research and Policy Program, of which he was founding chair. The new **endowed directorship** will be named after Andy.



Megan Lynn (DO) has been promoted from advancement coordinator to annual giving and alumni relations officer. Pat McCowan, assistant dean of advancement, said, "Now we only need to find a Megan 2.0 to fill our now vacant Advancement Coordinator position."

Graduate student **Cheng Zheng** (Biostat) received a travel award from the **American Statistical Association's** Health Policy Statistics Section to present his work at the upcoming **Joint Statistical Meetings** in San Diego. He studies mediation analysis with Professor **Andrew Zhou**.

See all new SPH grants and contracts awarded 1/30-2/13/2012

Making a Difference



Affiliate instructor **Julia Singer** (HServ) and student **Peter Blackburn** (COPHP) worked together to create the first local map of its kind - **Pesticide Free Places** - for King County. The interactive

map can help parents and caregivers avoid contamination for their children. It can also help grounds managers of parks and other open spaces reduce their pesticide use.

Around the Water Cooler



More than 125 people, including UW President **Michael Young**, attended the Department of Global Health's open house Jan. 17. **William Foegen**, an affiliate professor (Epi) credited with devising the global strategy to eradicate smallpox, recalled how few faculty were involved in global health half a century ago and "now everyone seems to be interested in it."

Janet Baseman (Epi, HServ), **Michael**

We'll keep you busy: take a look at the [SPH Events Calendar](#).

Opportunities

Check out the [SPH job listings page](#) for national and local public health jobs and opportunities.

The [Thomas Francis, Jr. Global Health Fellowship](#) funds international projects by graduate or professional students. Application deadline is March 19. Questions should be directed to Daren Wade, director of the Global Health Resource Center, at dwade@uw.edu.



Loehr (HServ) and **Meredith Li-Vollmer** (HServ) presented at the [Public Health Preparedness Summit](#) in Anaheim, CA. Topics included resilience of providers, text messaging strategies for vulnerable populations, and CPR training for non-English-speaking Chinese Americans.



Chris Murray (GH, HServ) will speak Feb. 18, and **Bill Daniell** (DEOHS) and **Howard Frumkin** (DO) will speak March 17 about different aspects of [The Future of Asia's Cities: Design, Environment, Health](#) at the Seattle Asian Art Museum. Their talks are part of a lecture series sponsored by the Gardner Center for Asian Art and Ideas.



Lawrie Robertson (DO), assistant dean of finance and administration, co-chairs the UW's Health Sciences Interprofessional Education Initiative and Planning Group. Its goal is to position UW as the nation's leading academic health sciences enterprise and ensure that our graduates have strong collaborative skills.



Three grad students participated in a one-week [Advanced Gene Mapping course](#) at Rockefeller University in New York. **Jonathan Kocarnik** (PHG, pictured), **Kristin Beima-Sofie** (PHG) and **Steve Maley** (Epi) received competitive funding from Rockefeller to learn genetic methods and software for analyzing complex human disease traits.



Andrew Dannenberg (DEOHS) participated in the [Intersection of Transportation and Health](#) workshop at the Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting.

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