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SPH in the News

[Study finds life is shorter for some in the 98108 ZIP code](#) - *Seattle Times*; quotes **Bill Daniell** (DEOHS)

[Chiding Congress: Seattle first city to fund gun violence research](#) - *NBC News*; quotes **Fred Rivara** (Epi)

[Language barrier puts Latina breast cancer patients at risk](#) - *KOMO 4 News*; quotes **Beti Thompson** (HServ)

[Study: Residents of walkable areas don't always walk more](#) - *KPLU*; quotes **Brian Saelens** (HServ)

Who Knew??



Sean O'Hogan (Biostat, OD) and his partner Don Wahl

adopted three children in July 2010 – all at the same time. “What were we thinking?” Sean says. “And to make matters worse, they all have birthdays within three weeks of each other!”

On the Calendar

April 10, 4-6pm
[Developing Chronic Disease Prevention Programs for Latinas: Lessons Learned](#)

April 17, 2:30-3:30pm
[Malaria Today: Challenges and Opportunities](#)

April 17, 3:30-4:30pm
[Public Health Genetics: Annual DNA Day Lecture](#)

April 20, Noon-6pm
[Global Health and the Arts Symposium](#)

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

CEPH to Visit SPH

A four-person site-visit team from the national Council on Education for Public Health will be on campus April 8-10. They'll be talking with various SPH departments and programs as part of the school's re-accreditation process, which takes place

Congrats!



Libby Brockman (MPH student, HServ) received the Emerging MCH Leadership Award at the annual Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs conference in Washington, DC.



Seattle Met Magazine has named **David Fleming** (Epi), director of Public Health - Seattle & King County, one of the “[50 Most Influential People in Seattle Right Now](#).”



Biostat researcher and PhD student **Megan Smith** is a finalist in the Best Student Paper competition at the [Society for Clinical Trials Annual Meeting](#).



Jeff Harris (HServ) is serving on the new [King County Health and Human Services Transformation Panel](#). The group will create a plan for a more integrated system of health, human services and community-based prevention and wellness.



Susan Inman (OD) was recognized as one of this year's outstanding [UW Women](#), a celebration in honor of Women's History Month.

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Making a Difference



It takes pedestrians significantly longer to cross Rainier Avenue in south Seattle than it does to get across NW Market Street in Ballard, a group of eight COPHP students has found. Advised by **Peter**

House (HServ), the students [recently made recommendations](#) to Seattle Neighborhood Greenways on how to improve pedestrian safety in the two south Seattle neighborhoods of Columbia City and Rainier Beach. The students observed and compared crossing times at six intersections and surveyed more than 100 residents. Among their findings: People had significantly less time to make it across Rainier Avenue before the lights changed compared to the Ballard intersections. The communities now have some primary data they can use to improve the walkability of their neighborhoods.

Around the Water Cooler



Therese Grant (Epi) and **Susan Astley** (Epi) traveled to Catholic University in Ruzomberok, Slovakia, and to the Foster Parenting Association in Ledziny, Poland, to help establish Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder diagnostic clinics and prevention programs.



Howard Frumkin (OD, DEOHS) will be the [keynote speaker](#) at the Western Regional International Health Conference in Portland. He'll also give

every 7 years.

Opportunities

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

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the annual Kathryn Robertson Memorial Lecture at Oregon Health & Science University on “Climate Change: Grand Challenge for Global Health.”

Health Services students **Rekha Ravindran** and **Ashraf Amlani** (COPHP) were among many UW students attending the recent Lobby Day in Olympia. They spoke to state lawmakers about expanding health care access to lower-income communities.

This year’s School graduation speaker will be [Camara Jones](#), Research Director on Social Determinants of Health and Equity at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The Undergraduate Student Public Health Association invites all SPH members to join or support the USPHA team in the [UW Relay for Life](#), benefiting the American Cancer Society, on April 27th. Contact [Nicole Rover](#) with questions.

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