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SPH in the News

['Glee' star's OD shows the new, fresh face of heroin](#) - NBC News; quotes **Caleb Banta-Green** (HServ)

[Report finds gradual fall in female genital cutting in Africa](#) - New York Times; quotes **Bettina Shell-Duncan** (GH)

[Hospital prices vary wildly for common treatments](#) - Seattle Times; quotes **Aaron Katz** (HServ, GH)

[Officials using public health approach to reducing gun violence](#) - KING 5 News; interviews **Fred Rivara** (Epi)

[Recently Awarded Grants & Contracts](#) »

Who Knew??



Sheryl Schwartz (HServ) and fellow paddlers

came in 2nd place in the family division of the recent Milk Carton Derby at Green Lake. Their float was featured in [this starting line photo](#) by the *Seattle Times*. Says Sheryl, "We missed being in first place by just a few feet, beat out by a hot dog boat!"

On the Calendar

August 6, 3:30pm
[The Affordable Care Act: Implications for Public Health](#)

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

Summer Reading

Looking for a good read? Try this fall's Health Sciences Common Book, [In the Realm of Hungry Ghosts: Close Encounters with Addiction](#), by Gabor Maté.

Opportunities

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

Congrats!



Gov. Jay Inslee has appointed **Rogelio Riojas** (MHA '77) to the UW Board of Regents for a six-year term beginning Oct. 1. Riojas is president and CEO of Sea Mar Community Health Centers. [Read a profile.](#)



PhD student **Nicole Van Abel** (DEOHS) won a 1,500-euro award for best student presentation at the 5th Seminar on Water and Health in Cannes, France.



Scott S. Emerson (Biostat) was recently nominated for the UW's prestigious [Marsha L. Landolt Distinguished Graduate Mentor Award](#).



Tess Abrahamson-Richards (MCH grad student) was a finalist for the [Native Graduate Health Fellowship](#). She and her new husband, Rob, were married July 13.



Stefano Bertozzi (GH), HIV director at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, has been [named dean](#) of the UC Berkeley School of Public Health.

Making a Difference



The Center for Ecogenetics & Environmental Health (CEEH) has worked with the Northwest Indian College to develop a 32-page comic book version of [The Return, a Native Environmental Health Story](#). *The Return* is a dreamlike account of a Native woman and her baby. It's based on findings from the Native Tradition, Environment And Community Health (TEACH) project, which looked at differences in Native and Western understanding of environmental health. Three core themes emerged: community, wellness and inter-relationship. *The Return* explores how these concepts are passed to the next generation. **Marilyn Hair** (DEOHS) distributed the book at the 2013 American Indian Higher Education Consortium Student Conference in Green Bay, WI.

Around the Water Cooler



At a recent [White House event](#), First Lady Michelle Obama cited landmark research led by **Chris Murray** (GH, HServ). Murray later discussed UW findings on life expectancy, obesity and physical activity.



Anirban Basu (HServ) was a panelist at a recent IOM/PCORI workshop in Washington, DC, on "Observational Studies in a Learning Health System."



William Daniell (DEOHS) graduated from the [UW Teaching Scholars Program](#) in June.



Kate Davies (HServ) [read from her new book](#) on the history of the US environmental health movement at a book store in Missoula.

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Amanda Graybill-Pennington (OD) has been named Interim Director of Student Affairs. She takes over from **Deb Hinchey** (HServ), who's now a full-time instructor in the undergraduate public health major.



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