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The latest news about our SPH community



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SPH in the News

[What happens to childhood when you start counting steps?](#) - *New York Times*; quotes **Megan Moreno** (HServ)

[The debate is on: To deworm or not to deworm?](#) - *NPR*; quotes **Judd Walson** (GH, Epi)

[Understanding and rediscovering your palette](#) - *The Daily*; quotes **Anne-Marie Gloster** (Epi) and **Kristin Elko** (Nutritional Sciences)

[Seattle could be first city in US to host safe-injection sites for heroin users](#) - *Seattle Weekly*; quotes **Caleb Banta-Green** (HServ)

[Recently Awarded Grants & Contracts »](#)

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Who Knew??



Victoria Holt (Epi) once worked at a fish-packing

plant in Maine and also ran a small business repairing wicker chairs. That's when she decided that nursing might be a better career -- and that, of course, led her to public health. Read more about her in [this month's Close Up](#).

On the Calendar

Dec. 7, 3:30-5pm

[Yemen: The Forgotten War](#)

Dec. 7, 6-8pm

[Equity, Prosperity & Seattle's Future](#)

Dec. 10, 12:30-1:20pm

[Starting a Food Revolution: A Story of Splintered Causes or One Big Lumpy Tent?](#)

Congrats!



MPH Student **Alessandra DeMarchis** (Nutritional Sciences) won the 2015 Outstanding Student in Women's Health Award at the annual meeting of the Women's Health Dietetic Practice Group of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.



For her contributions to HIV prevention in Africa, **Elizabeth Bukusi** (GH) received the Special Award at the 2015 Biomedical HIV Prevention Forum.



Senior **Madison McInnis** (DEOHS) was named the 2015 Jack Hatlen Scholar and took part in the Summer Undergraduate Program in Environmental Health with the CDC.



Cynthia LeRouge (HServ) received a contract [to help evaluate](#) a VA program designed to improve veterans' timely access to health care. She is working with the VA's **George Sayre** (HServ).



Congrats to the new Student Public Health Association officers: **Brenda Luu** (President), **Jordan Gemelas** (Treasurer), **Steffi Molina** (Secretary), **Nguyen Huynh** and **Eva Hom** (Community Building Officers), and **Jennifer Marroquin** (Student Development Officer). See the [group photo](#) on Facebook.

Making a Difference



The latest issue of *TR News*, the newsletter of the Transportation Research Board (part of the National Research Council), is devoted entirely to public health. "This is a VERY big deal—equivalent to, say, the official NIH magazine dedicating itself completely to housing, or urban planning," says Dean **Howard Frumkin**. "It's a major effort at interdisciplinarity, and a major acknowledgment of the importance of health." **Andy Dannenberg** (DEOHS) co-authored two of the articles: one on why transportation professionals should care about public health and one on the use of health impact assessment for transportation projects and policies. "This special issue," he says, "is part of a long-term effort to further engage the transportation community in promoting healthy transport modes, including walking, bicycling, and use of public transit." See the [cover and table of contents](#). The full issue is in print; the PDF will be online in four months. (Andy has a few extra copies.)

Around the Water Cooler



Liz Lancaster (OD) is the new Director of Finance and Administration and joins us from the School of Medicine. Prior to the UW, Liz worked for local non-profits and developed policy for homelessness and urban development in her native England.

Dec. 10, 12:30-1:20pm
[Community Partnership Addressing Pediatric Asthma and Agricultural Environment](#)

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

SPH Holiday Party

Join us for cider, snacks and fun at the SPH Annual Holiday Celebration from 3-5:30 pm Dec. 10 in the Undergrad Student Lounge, F-332.

Opportunities

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

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Two grad students in Public Health Genetics [gave "lightning talks"](#) at the UW Research Commons' event last month in the Allen Library. **Sarah Nelson** presented on *How Metaphors Can Shape the Translation of Personal Genome-Scale Information* while **M. Ragan Hart** spoke on *Translating Genetic Sequencing into the Clinic*.



[An article](#) about the three **Lingappa** siblings appeared recently in the Swarthmore College alumni magazine. **Jaisri** and **Jairam** are on the Global Health faculty while older brother **Vishu** is CEO of Prosetta Biosciences in S.F. The article includes an explanation of how Jaisri's research led to the new generation of antiviral drugs under development at Prosetta.



[A new video](#) by an outside vendor about the Northwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety (within DEOHS) features director **Dave Kalman**, Associate Professor **Edmund Seto** and several students: **Marissa Baker**, **Heather Fowler**, **Emily Zamzow** and **Chris Mak**.



It's a milestone! You are reading the 100th issue of NewsCatcher, which launched in late 2011. Back issues can be found in [the archives](#) (UW NetID required).

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