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SPH in the News

Why America still doesn't have any good data on guns - WIRED; quotes Frederick Rivara (Epi)

High-tech mammogram tool doesn't boost cancer detection, study shows - Seattle Times; quotes Diana Buist (Epi, HServ) and Joann Elmore (Epi)

The 20 best full-fat foods for weight loss - Yahoo! News; quotes Mario Kratz (Epi)

Patient protesters shed light on medical debt's vicious cycle - The Stranger; quotes Aaron Katz (HServ, GH)

Recently Awarded Grants & Contracts »
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Who Knew??

Jennifer Otten (HServ) ran for school office in junior high and high school with the refrain, "Don't Be Rotten, Vote for Otten." She won. "My mom came up with the campaign slogan," Otten says.

On the Calendar

Oct. 20, 3:30pm
State-of-the-School Address

Oct. 22, 12:30-1:20pm
Wet and Wild: A Marine Wildlife Veterinary Perspective on One Health - Lesanna Lahner, DVM

Oct. 26-31
SustainableUW Festival

Nov. 5, 12:30-1:20pm
Comedy, Economics, and Climate Change

We'll keep you busy: take a look at the SPH Events Calendar.

Congrats!

Victoria Holt was named chair of Epidemiology. She's been interim chair since Scott Davis stepped down earlier this year and has been on faculty since 1991.

Winners of the new SPH Undergraduate Student Assistance Fund are Jocelyn Castillio, Brian Cedeno-Betancourt, Daysha Gunther and Christine Perez Delgado (Public Health Majors) and Phillip Milligan (Health Informatics and Health Information Management). See photos and read more.

PhD student Allison Meisner (Biostat) was awarded an F31 pre-doctoral fellowship from the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases.

James Kublin (GH), executive director of the HIV Vaccine Trials Network, was inducted into the Marquette (Michigan) Senior High School A. Felch Pendill Wall of Excellence.

Several PhD students in the Environmental Toxicology program won awards at the annual meeting of the Pacific Northwest Association of Toxicologists. Anna Engstrom tied for first place in student platform presentations, while Cindy Yanfei Li won second place. Brittany Weldon won first place for student poster presentations. The association is a regional chapter of the Society of Toxicology.

Making a Difference

SPH alumna Christy McKinney (PhD, Epi '06) spearheaded the development of a new feeding cup for preterm newborns and infants with cleft palates, who commonly have breastfeeding difficulties. Working with Seattle Children's Hospital Craniofacial Center and PATH, McKinney (now with UW Oral Health Sciences) developed a low-cost cup with a tiny reservoir that allows infants to feed at their own pace. "If they're born below 35 weeks of age, they don't have the maturity to successfully breastfeed," McKinney told KING 5 News. "They need a tool to help them transition from feeding without the breast to feed with the breast." The Neonatal Intuitive Feeding Technology, or NIFTY™ cup, recently received a Saving Lives at Birth Grand Challenge award to conduct validation tests and develop a business strategy. Read more in this PATH blog. Photo by PATH.

Around the Water Cooler

Stacey Fauchald (OD) is the new Assistant Director of Human Resources for the School. She most recently worked for UW Medicine,
SPH Day of Service
On Oct. 24, SPH students, faculty, staff and others will partner once again with Seattle/King County Clinic to produce a large-scale, free health clinic at Seattle Center for those in need. Watch a video featuring Tao Kwan Gett (HServ) at last year's event.

Opportunities
Check out the SPH job listings page for national and local public health jobs and opportunities.
Missed an issue of NewsCatcher? Find it in the Archive (UW netID required).

Managing human resource matters for more than 6,000 people.

The (UW) Daily featured Jeremy Hess, new associate professor in DEOHS and Emergency Medicine, in the print version of its back-to-school issue. One of his research areas is climate change and health.

Wendy Barrington (Epi) partnered with Mount Zion Baptist Church to raise awareness about breast cancer risk, symptoms, and screening recommendations among African-American women in Seattle under the “Sisters! Can I Get A Witness” Program.

Joel Kaufman (DEOHS, Epi) was elected chair of the SPH Faculty Council. He was also featured in a podcast by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences on “Air Pollution and Your Heart.” Barbara McKnight (Biostat) was elected Vice Chair of the SPH Faculty Council.

ParticipateInResearch.org is a clinical trials recruitment site built by the Institute of Translational Health Sciences. It's open for UW research teams to post their studies to connect with potential study participants.