SPH in the News

How future superstorms could overwhelm today’s wastewater infrastructure - KUOW EarthFix; features interview with Scott Meschke (DEOHS)

FDA will allow 23andMe to sell genetic tests for disease risk to consumers - The New York Times; quotes Gail Jarvik (Epi)

Kidney disease a big contributor to heart-related deaths - U.S. News & World Report; quotes Bernadette Thomas (GH)

One Health approach essential to controlling public health threats - Infectious Disease News; quotes Peter Rabinowitz (DEOHS, GH, Epi)

Recently Awarded Grants & Contracts »
Foundation Funding Opportunities »

Who Knew??

Jeff Sconyers (HServ, MHA) was in a seminary for three years before pursuing a law degree. While there, he wrote a book-length report about intertestamental literature, or “the stuff that didn’t make it into the Bible,” he says. Learn more about his career path in April’s Close Up.

On the Calendar

May 10, 3:30-5:30pm
World Health Cinema presents “Hero with a Thousand Faces”

May 12, 3-6pm
2017 SPH Awards of

This year’s $30,000 Global WACH - W.H. Coulter

Congrats!

Three SPH students have won Bonderman Travel Fellowships. Senior Rachel Rinehart (PHM), MPH student Sara Marquis (HServ) and PhD student Natalie Gasca (Biostat) are among 18 UW students who will travel to at least two regions and six countries of the world. They’re barred from taking courses, writing papers or doing any kind of formal study under the unusual fellowships, which offer up to $23,000 each and last at least eight months. Bolivia, Indonesia, Rwanda, Samoa and Turkey are just a few of the countries on their lists.

Peter Myler (Pathobiology) won the BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Award, in the Development Cooperation category. The award recognizes Myler’s decades of work on genome sequencing of the parasites causing leishmaniasis and Chagas disease.

PhD students Jessica Long and Kennedy Maring Muni (both Epi) were named 2017-18 Fogarty Fellows. Long is investigating the sexual networks of transgender women in Lima, Peru. Muni’s research focuses on helmet use and road traffic injuries among young Ugandans working as motorcycle taxi drivers in Kampala.

Making a Difference

MPH students at SPH are getting outside of the classroom and into the field to gain practical experience in public health, while also creating change in the community. This year, more than 90 students worked with local organizations to address current public health issues – from homelessness and health insurance to workplace sexual harassment and safety. Called a practicum, the projects are a central part of the MPH student experience. “I think the practicum shows us what it looks like to have a career in public health,” says Sara Marquis (HServ) “Also what it looks like to make change or design an intervention or to assess if we’re doing the right thing.” Students presented the outcomes of their work last month at the annual MPH Practicum Symposium. More than 120 students, faculty, staff and community partners stopped by to celebrate the significant work being done in King County and beyond. Check out some great photos.

Around the Water Cooler

Amy Hagopian and Bud Nicola (both HServ, COPHP) have published a book to help other schools of public health incorporate the problem-based learning model that COPHP has refined over 16 years. The best part: You can download it for free online.

Got News?
E-mail sphnews@uw.edu to submit your news!
May 15, 7-8:15pm
The Syrian Genocide: Dr. Saher Sahloul Reports from the Field

May 18, 5-6:30pm
Federalism and Nepal’s Health System: Opportunities and Challenges with Dr. Bhaqawan Koirala

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

Undergrad Symposium
At the fourth annual Undergraduate Symposium on May 25, students from across the School’s undergraduate majors and minors will demonstrate how they have applied the knowledge and skills gained in the classroom to address public health problems. Join us from 4-6 pm at South Campus Center Room 316.

Jobs
SPH job listings page for national and local public health jobs and opportunities.

Featured by the ASPPH
Researchers say they’re 10 years away from a malaria vaccine:
Stefan Kappe (GH), Jim Kublin (GH)
Crooked bite may indicate early life stress:
Philippe Hujoel (Epi)
Researcher uses mosquito simulation to forecast dengue risk in the United States:
Cory Morin (GH)
Cancer researcher tapped for Federal Advisory Committee on breast and cervical cancer:
Peggy Hannon (HServ, HPRC)

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