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New applications:

Dennis McCarty, "Oregon Methamphetamine Medication Development Alliance", National Institute on Drug Abuse, RFA-DA-12-005 (P01)

Please notify Mark Derby at 4-0181 or by email at derbym@ohsu.edu if you intend to apply for a grant.



Public Health and Preventive Medicine

Faculty and Staff—NEWS

Publications:

Jiming Jiang, **Thuan Nguyen**, and J. Sunil. Rao (2011), Best Predictive Small Area Estimation, *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, Featured Article, 106, 494: 732–745

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Improving Substance Abuse Data Systems to Measure "Waiting Time to Treatment": Lessons Learned from a Quality Improvement Initiative. Hoffman KA, Quanbeck MS, Ford JH II, Wrede F, Wright D, Lambert-Wacey D, Chvojka P, Hanchett A, **McCarty D**. *Health Informatics* (in press).

Crews, J. E., **Lollar, D. J.**, Kemper, A. R., Lee, L. M., Owsley, C., Zhang, X., Elliott, A. L., Chou, C-F., & Saaddine, J. B. (2011). The variability of vision loss assessment in federally sponsored surveys: seeking conceptual clarity and comparability. *American Journal of Ophthalmology*. Accepted for publication.

Froehlich-Grobe, K and **Lollar, D.J.** (2011). Obesity and disability: time to act. *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*. Accepted for publication.



Presentations:

Tomi Mori was an invited speaker at the International Conference on Statistics and Probability, July 1-2, 2011, Busan, Korea. The event was organized by the Korean Statistical Society to

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celebrate its 40th anniversary. The title of her talk was “Statistical Issues in Evaluating the Efficacy of Personalized Medicine.”

Travel:

PHPM Affiliate Associate Professor, **James A. Gaudino, Jr, MD, MS, MPH, FACPM**, organized and moderated one of the symposiums at the 3rd North American Congress of Epidemiology (June 21-24, 2011) in Montreal, Canada. This, a major conference for epidemiologists in the US and Canada, was first organized and created by Dr. Gaudino's predecessor, Professor Betsy Foxman. For more info, visit: <http://www.epicongress2011.org/index.html>

Awards and Honors:

Seth O'Neal and Janne Boone-Heinonen were both nominated for the Oregon Clinical and Translational Research KL2 Program award. This two-year career development award includes additional training and a research component with a focus on translational research (e.g., translation from basic science to clinical practice). There are three stages: letter of intent, full proposal, then a presentation to the committee. The final stage was completed on Tuesday, August 16, 2011. To read more, visit this link: http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/research/centers-institutes/octri/education-training/upload/KL2_RFA_201105v4.pdf

Welcome:

We're very excited to welcome **Seth O'Neal** back to Portland! He spent the past year living in Chiang Mai, Thailand with his family where he served as an NIH Fogarty Fellow doing epidemiology research on *Taenia solium* (pork tapeworm) among refugee populations. This work is particularly important because many of these refugees will resettle to Oregon. Seth, who graduated from the Preventive Medicine Residency and our Epidemiology and Biostatistics MPH Program last summer, rejoins the Department in his position as assistant professor. He will continue to develop field sites for epidemiologic research on parasitic infections in Peru, Thailand and Nepal as well as pursue opportunities in Oregon. He also looks forward to contributing to the MPH, MD/MPH and Preventive Medicine programs through teaching, mentoring and program development.



We are pleased to welcome **Dr. Elena Marie Andresen, PhD** (Epidemiology 1991 University of Washington) as Chief of the Disability and Health Research Group at CDCR. Dr. Andresen is a chronic disease epidemiologist whose work emphasizes outcomes research. Her research concentrates on examination of function and health-related quality of life (HRQoL) of older adults and persons with disability. Her current research includes projects funded from the CDC, NIA, and NIDRR. Dr. Andresen has contributed to over 100 peer-reviewed publications and three books. She was a member of two Institute of Medicine project committees on aspects of disability and aging, and contributed as an expert to two other IOM Committee projects. Dr. Andresen provides regular service to the CDC and AHRQ, and

is Associate Editor for the journal *Quality of Life Research*. Most recently, Dr. Andresen was the founding Chair of the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the University of Florida's College of Public Health and Health Professions prior to her move to Portland.

Departures:

This summer, PHPM saw the departure of seven of our researchers. Pictured in the photo to the left, they are (from left to right): Holly Fussell, Marisa Gholson, Danielle Eakins, Allie Buti, Seonaid Squires, Caitlin Rasplica, and Ana Hilde.



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Caitlin Rasplica will be moving to Eugene, Oregon to attend the University of Oregon in September 2011. Caitlin is beginning a five-year doctoral program in School Psychology, where she will be studying prevention and school-based interventions for children and adolescents with behavior disorders and socio-emotional and learning difficulties. Caitlin will be advised by Dr. Cynthia Anderson in UO's Department of Special Education and Clinical Sciences whose recent research focuses on prevention/early interventions within a three-tiered model of support, specifically focused on secondary interventions for students at risk for developing emotional and behavior disorders.

Ana Hilde will be returning to finish her last year of medical school here at OHSU. Ana will graduate in June of 2012 and will be applying for psychiatry residency this coming year.

Allie, Danielle, and Marisa have also left to pursue their graduate education.

PHPM wishes the best of luck to all of our departing researchers in all their future endeavors!

Events:

GRAND ROUNDS CALENDAR*

*Please note the venue change for the 9/15/11 and 10/20/11 Grand Rounds lectures

- 15-Sep-11 **Dr. Charity Rowland, PhD**, CDRC *Mining the Communication Matrix Database for Population-based Information on the Development of Children with Low-Incidence Disabilities* **MAC HALL 3198**
- 20-Oct-11 **Melinda Davis, PhD, CCRP**, *Practice, and Communities: Translational Research in the Oregon Rural Practice-based Research Network* **MAC HALL 3198**
- 17-Nov-11 **Benjamin Morasco, PhD**, Psychiatry CSB679
- 15-Dec-11 **Kent Anger, PhD**, CROET CSB679
- 19-Jan-12 **Eli Schwarz, DDS, MPH, PhD**, Professor & Chair of the Department of Community Dentistry CSB679
- 16-Feb-12 **Katie Witkiewitz, PhD**, Research Scientist at the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Institute CSB679
- 15-Mar-12 **Tom Greene, PhD**, University of Utah CSB679
- 19-Apr-12 **Diane Rohlman, PhD**, CROET CSB679
- 17-May-12 **Dr. Donald Rubin, PhD**, John L Loeb Professor of Statistics, is at Harvard University CSB679
- 21-Jun-12 **Preventive Medicine Residents** CSB679

UPCOMING EVENTS:

OHSU Family Medicine Presents:

Warren P. Newton, MD, MPH

Laurel G. Case, MD Visiting Professor

Thursday, September 8, 2011

The program begins with lunch served at 11:30 AM and the lecture starts at 12:30 PM

OHSU Old Library Auditorium

In his lecture, titled *Transforming Care Across an Entire State*, Dr. Newton will describe some of the visionary changes in primary health care that have occurred in North Carolina and how these innovations might be adapted in other settings.

RSVP at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LaurelCaseLecture>.

PHPM Birthdays

August Birthdays

2-Aug Anne Stemwedel
5-Aug Kent Anger
28-Aug Dawn Peters



September Birthdays

3-Sep Motomi Mori
2-Sep Tree Triano
13-Sep Ryan Olson
14-Sep Ken James
14-Sep Denna Vandersloot
19-Sep Eun Sul Lee
27-Sep Yiyi Chen

Helpful News and Resources from OHSU

Zipcar:

Did you know that OHSU offers a Zipcar discount? OHSU employees, students and volunteers can join Zipcar for only \$25/year! You will also get 10-30% off the weekday hourly and weekday daily rates. PHPM now has a department account with Zipcar. If you'd like to join, contact Gloria Harrison: harrisog@ohsu.edu.

To learn more about Zipcar, please visit this link: <http://www.zipcar.com/how/faqs/>

This and many other employee discounts can be found on the Ozone: <http://ozone.ohsu.edu/hr/resources/discounts/index.shtml>

Earthquake Preparedness:

As you may know, the Campus Services Building is currently receiving some much needed structural upgrades—including upgrading the chimney so that it meets the earthquake code. The building itself contains a concrete core and is considered structurally stable if an earthquake occurs. Nonetheless, the most important component of preparedness is education. Make sure that you know what to do in case of an earthquake:

1. Stay inside during an earthquake. One of the greatest hazards outside is falling debris from building facades. If you are outside, move away from buildings, street lights, and overhead utility lines.
2. Take cover under a piece of heavy furniture, stand against an inside wall, or move into a doorway. These structures help protect you from interior overhead hazards like falling ceiling tile. Expect aftershocks!
3. After the shaking stops, check yourself and others for injuries. Check in with your supervisor for specific instructions.
4. In patient care areas, make sure that critical equipment is plugged into red, emergency power outlets.

For more on earthquake preparedness—both at home and at work—please view this link:

<http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/about/services/integrity/ehrs/safety/gen/upload/April-2011.pdf>

Emergency Ride Home Program:

The purpose of TriMet's Emergency Ride Home (ERH) Program is to provide Members that participate in using alternative modes of transportation to OHSU a free ride home in the event of an emergency, as defined below. In the event of an eligible emergency, the Member may contact the Transportation and Parking (T&P) Customer Service Center (CSC) and receive a voucher to present to a participating taxi service for a courtesy ride home.

To learn more about this program, please visit this link: http://www.ohsu.edu/fm/attachments/404.07.101_Emergency_Ride_Home.pdf

Changes to your OHSU PPO Insurance Plan:

Premium costs for the 250 PPO will slightly increase and for the OHSU PPO will slightly decrease in 2012. To stay enrolled in one of these lower cost plans, you need to do both of the following:

1. Designate and provide the name of a Primary Care Provider. If you or a covered dependent are identified as qualifying,
2. Enroll in the OHSU Care Coordination Plus program. (The program helps employees manage chronic conditions such as diabetes.)

In addition to the above, you also need to choose one of the following:

- * Complete an OHSU-sponsored weight management program.
- * Complete an OHSU-sponsored smoking cessation program (if you smoke).
- * Complete the wellness program Healthy TEAM, Healthy U.
- * Earn 1,000 points in Healthy Steps (beginning Jan. 1).
- * Complete the Aetna Health Risk Assessment and all recommended eLearning modules.

The catch? If you don't complete the requirements by Oct. 30, **2012**, you're defaulted to higher-cost plans for the following year. Of course, if you don't plan to do any of the required activities, you can opt into the higher-cost plans initially during open enrollment this October.

Learn more here: <http://ozone.ohsu.edu/blogs/staffnews/2011/08/11/health-insurance-costs-you-can-have-an-impact/>

MPH Program News

Upcoming MPH Thesis Defenses

The Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine announces the following MPH Thesis Defenses:

Steven C. Fiala:

Differences in adolescent non-suicidal self-injury and suicide attempts

Wednesday, August 31, 2011, Seminar: 10:00 am – 11:00 am

School of Nursing, Room 107, 3455 SW US Veterans Hospital Road, Portland, OR 97239

Konrad Dobbertin:

Evaluation of the association of roof crush and head, neck and spine injury in motor vehicle rollover crashes: NASS-CDS 1997 through 2007

Friday, September 2, 2011, Seminar: 10:00 am – 11:00 am

Campus Services Building, Room 679, 3505 SW US Veterans Hospital Road, Portland, OR 97239

Apostolos A. Alexandridis:

Risks and patterns of serious injury in motor vehicle crashes with pole and car side impacts

Friday, September 2, 2011, Seminar: 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Campus Services Building, Room 679, 3505 SW US Veterans Hospital Road, Portland, OR 97239

Andrew Thomas:

Survival from cardiac arrest with initially non-shockable rhythms

Friday, September 16, 2011, Seminar: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Campus Services Building, Room 679, 3505 SW US Veterans Hospital Road, Portland, OR 97239

Questions: call 503.494.2012 or email chinn@ohsu.edu

Registration Open

Greetings New and Continuing MPH and MD-MPH Students! As you know, registration has started. Please note:

- Some of the **core courses** at PSU fill quickly, and it's first come, first served. The good news is that they are offered every term; however, if it's important for you to take one of them this fall, do not delay in registering.
- We also added a **new class** to the schedule: PHPM 507 Community Health (CRN 12146) taught by John Stull on Monday nights, 5-7:30 (location to be determined).
- The **2011-2012 MPH Handbook** has been updated. Contact Natalie Chin (chinn@ohsu.edu) if you'd like a copy. Some policies have been clarified and more hyperlinks have been added. If something seems to be missing, please let Tree Triano know (trianot@ohsu.edu).
- An additional student resource has been initiated: The **MPH Skybridge**. You should all find a link to it when you log into Sakai. (New students: you'll receive access to the online course management tool we call Sakai once school starts). The student reps and I will continue to add resources to it, everything from jobs that are just for our students (and thus not necessarily on the jobs page on the Department's website) to places to eat on the hill. The Handbook will be your primary policy resource, but we hope the Skybridge will be an equally valuable resource as you navigate life as an OHSU student. If you have any trouble or questions about registering for a class or if a course appears full and you want to be on a waiting list, please contact Natalie. Please note that during Fall Term, Natalie will not be in the office on Tuesdays and Tree will be leaving in the early afternoon on most Tuesdays and Fridays. They should be easy to reach at all other times, though. That being said, if you're making a special trip to the hill just to find one of them, **it's best to call to make sure one of them will be here.** (Natalie: 503-494-1158; Tree: 503-494-2012).
- Info about the **orientation session** for the new MPH students is attached at the end of this newsletter. You are all encouraged to attend, not just the new folks. Mark your calendars for Friday, September 23, at 1:30 here in the department (after the PSU OMPH orientation in the morning).
- Info about the fall term advising sessions will be available soon. Stay tuned.

MPH Program News

New Academic Year, New Aetna Insurance Plan

Open enrollment for the Aetna Student Health Plan for 2011-2012 is now in effect through the end of October. This year, in an effort to stabilize premiums, the Student Advisory Committee voted to implement a referral policy. This policy promotes lower out of pocket costs for students and their adult dependants who choose to first seek care at Student Health Service. A student, or adult dependant, living within 25 miles of campus should first seek care at Student Health Service to obtain a referral for any outside medical care (except Vision, Dental and Well Woman Exams). The referral policy is effective August 1st. **Waiver Deadlines** - Students wishing to waive out of the Aetna Student Health Insurance must submit a waiver online at www.aetnastudenthealth.com. The deadline for new students is 30 days after their first day of class. If your classes begin in June or earlier in a calendar year, you will also need to resubmit a new waiver every fall term before classes begin to renew the waiver annually. Returning students who wish to continue waivers must re-submit the waiver online before the date that their fall classes begin. Late waivers that are approved will be applied to the next academic term.

Two OHSU Student Posters selected for AAFP National Conference*

*as reported in the Family Medicine Newsletter: <http://tinyurl.com/3v93nyt>



Gabe Andeen

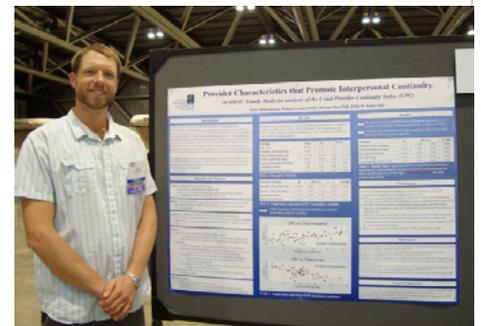
Gabriel Andeen and **Tyler Mittelstaedt**, both MS 4 MD/MPH students, were selected to present their posters at the AAFP National Conference in Kansas City, July 27-30.

The purpose of the National Conference poster competition is to stimulate research by medical students and family medicine residents, to provide a venue to share innovative and effective educational programs and to showcase unique community projects.

This year's 16 presenters offered valuable information in the categories of research, clinical inquiry and community projects.

Both of the OHSU student posters were in the research category: Gabriel Andeen's topic was "Prevalence & Impact of Pharmaceutical Industry Detailing in Rural Oregon."

Tyler Mittelstaedt's topic was "Provider Characteristics That Promote Interpersonal Continuity in Clinical Practice: An OHSU Family Medicine Analysis of the Effects of Various Provider Practice Parameters on the Usual Provider Continuity Index (UPC)."



Tyler Mittelstaedt

Summer Reading*

*from the OMPH Newsletter, submitted by Greg Lee

Jay Kravitz, MD, MPH and leader of global health education at OHSU, offered some additional reading: *Stability with Growth: Macroeconomics, Liberalization and Development* or *Making Globalization Work*, by Joseph Stiglitz, and *Kicking Away the Ladder* or *23 Things They Don't Tell You about Capitalism*, by Ha-Joon Chang. If you prefer fiction for summer, here are two books I'm enjoying: *Freedom* by Jonathan Franzen and *The Feast of the Goat* by Mario Vargas Llosa.

MPH Program News

News From Our Students

Publications:

Gene Bowman's cross-sectional portion of his thesis, "Nutrient Biomarker Patterns, Cognitive Function and MRI Measures of Brain Aging" was accepted for publication in *Neurology*. His advisor on the project was Jackie Shannon. The authorship and affiliations on the manuscript include:

Gene L. Bowman, ND, MPH^{1,2}, Lisa C. Silbert, MD, MCR¹, Diane Howieson, PhD¹, Hiroko Dodge, PhD¹, Maret Traber, PhD⁴, Balz Frei, PhD⁴, Jeffrey A. Kaye, MD¹, Jackilen Shannon, PhD, MPH^{2,3}, Joseph F. Quinn, MD¹

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Awards:

Steven Fiala has been awarded the Katie Riley Public Health Travel Scholarship to attend the 2011 American Public Health Association's Annual Meeting and Exposition on October 31st in Washington, DC. Steven will be presenting on Oregon policy options to discourage youth initiation of hookah tobacco smoking. The scholarship demonstrates PHPM's commitment to student growth and was established in 2009 after Katie Riley, former Director of the Epidemiology & Biostatistics track of the Oregon MPH program.

Welcome!

MPH Student **Eleni O'Neill** welcomed daughter, Madeleine Gabrielle on June 17th, 2 weeks early. Madeleine, born at OHSU, was 6 pounds, 3 ounces. Eleni had an amazing water birth with the midwives.



Preventive Medicine residents, faculty, and staff

Preventive Medicine Residency News

Please join us in welcoming **Matthew Dubrow, DO** to our Preventive Medicine Residency Program. He will begin at OHSU on August 25th and looks forward to bringing his clinical experience and knowledge together with his training in Preventive Medicine and working in the public health arena in Portland. Matthew received his Doctor of Osteopathy degree and Family Medicine training at The Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. He has been practicing in Philadelphia for 10 years and has spent the last 2 years working for the Department of Health, Division of Disease Control in Philadelphia and the Pennsylvania Men's Medical Clinic. His interests include developing a meaningful disease management program and contributing to the planning of productive healthcare policy here in Oregon. He was recently married to Gabrielle, an oncology nurse, and the two of them are very excited to start their new life together in Portland. Matthew's hobbies include Hiking, Camping, Sprint Triathlon, Kayaking, Sailing, Woodworking and Home Gardening – he'll fit in perfectly!