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### Grants

#### Submitted Applications

Dennis McCarty, "An Epidemiological Study among Patients Prescribed OxyContin," Purdue Pharma (subcontract - Kaiser Center for Health Research)

Thuan Nguyen, "Best Predictive Small Are Estimation," National Science Foundation (subcontract – UC Davis)

Thuan Nguyen, "Major Development in Survey Methodology and Education," National Science Foundation (subcontract – UC Davis)

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## The Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine

### Faculty and Staff

#### NEWS

#### Publications:

**Korthuis, P.T.,** Gregg, J., Rogers, W.E., **McCarty, D.**, Nicolaidis, C. & Boverman, J. (2010). Patients' reasons for choosing office-based buprenorphine: Preference for patient-centered care. *Journal of Addiction Medicine*, 4, 204 – 2010.

**McCarty, D.**, Perrin, N.A., Green, C.A., Polen, M.R., Leo, M.C., and Lynch, F. (2010). Methadone maintenance and the cost and utilization of health care among individuals dependent on opioids in a commercial health plan. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 111, 235 – 240.

Wisdom, J.P., Ford, J.H. & **McCarty, D.** (2010). The use of health information technology in publicly-funded U.S. substance abuse treatment agencies. *Contemporary Drug Problems*, 37, 315 – 339.

Wiesman, J, **Melnick, A**, Bright, J, Carreon, C, Richards, K, Sherrill, S and Vines J. Lessons Learned from a Policy Decision to Coordinate a Multi-jurisdiction H1N1 Response with a Single Incident Management Team, *Journal of Public Health Management and Practice*, 2011 Jan-Feb, 2011, 17(1):28-35.

## The Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine Faculty and Staff NEWS (continued)

**Lollar DJ** and Andresen EM, editors (2011). *Public Health Perspectives on Disability: Epidemiology to Ethics and Beyond*. Springer Publishing Company. Text book, available now.

### Accepted:

Scott DR, English CL, Shaker L, Ward W, **Choi D**, Welimer M, Girard D. Resident involvement in patient safety through adverse-event reporting. *Academic Medicine*.

Jane Banaszak-Holl, Jersey Liang, **Ana Quiñones**, Christine Cigolle, I-Cha Lee, Lois Verbrugge. Trajectories of functional change among long stayers in nursing homes: Does baseline impairment matter? Paper accepted for publication to the *Journal of Aging and Health*.

### Presentations:

December 1, 2010, **Don Lollar**. Child and youth disability: prevention both primary and secondary. Keynote Presentation, International Forum for Disability Prevention & 4th Forum for the Development of Work on Disability at Peking University in Beijing, China

### Travel:

**Dennis McCarty** and Tim Hartnett testified on the value of treatment for opioid dependence at the Oregon Prescription Drug Summit. The Summit was held November 22 at the US District Courthouse in Portland. The US Attorney, Oregon Attorney General, and the Oregon Partnership sponsored the summit to examine strategies to address the epidemic of prescription opioid abuse in Oregon.

### Awards and Honors:

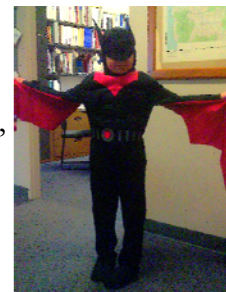


Medical Research Foundation Announces 2010 Award Winners: Kevin L. Winthrop, M.D., M.P.H., Assistant Professor of Infectious Diseases, Ophthalmology, and Public Health and Preventive Medicine.

<http://portal.ohsu.edu/blogs/researchnews/2010/11/30/medical-research-foundation-announces-2010-award-winners/>

### Events:

The annual PHPM White Elephant Gift Exchange and Potluck was held on Tuesday, December 21, 2010 in the PHPM Conference Room. Thirty-six people attended, including faculty, staff, and Shane, Holly Fussell's 8 year old son and the event's shrewdest participant. Shane (photo) not only protected his mom's treasure so that no one could steal it (because, really, who could steal from a child?), but also, he deftly maneuvered to snag a perfectly-fitting Batman outfit, which had already been opened. Way to go, Shane!



**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**GRAND ROUNDS 2010 - 2011**

- 20-Jan-11, Antje Jahn-Eimermacher, Biostatistics Division
- 17-Feb-11, Ryan Olson, Epidemiology Division
- 19-May-11, Dr. Charles Hall, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Biostatistics Division
- 16-Jun-11, Residents, John Stull, Location to be announced

**The Division of Biostatistics Presents:**

Antje Jahn-Eimermacher, PhD, Visiting Scientist

Thursday, January 20, 2011

12 PM-1 PM

Campus Services Building Room 679

Statistical analysis of latency data in behavioral experiments

*Food and beverages will be provided.*

**Epidemiologists' Forum presents:**

“The Importance of Injury Research for U.S. Veterans: from Prevention to Rehabilitation”

**Kathleen F. Carlson, MS, PhD**, Portland Veterans Administration Medical Center

Thursday, January 20, 2011

4:00 - 6:00 pm

*(Presentation 4:30-5:30pm; Networking 4:00-4:30 & 5:30-6:00pm)*

Portland State Office Building

800 NE Oregon Street, Portland

Room 1C

*MAX: NE 7th Avenue Station*

*Parking is available near PSOB*

**Dr. Craig Wollner: Fondly Remembered**

by Bill Lambert

We are deeply saddened by the passing of Dr. Craig Wollner on Saturday, November 20. Dr. Wollner was the current Chair of the Deans Oversight Council of the Oregon MPH Program, and was professor of public administration in the Mark Hatfield School of Government and associate dean for academic affairs of the College of Urban and Public Affairs at Portland State University. Craig lived most of his life in Portland and Salem and earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in history from Portland State University. He received his doctorate from the University of New Mexico. We remember Dr. Wollner for his excellence in university leadership and for his commitment to teaching and scholarship. He taught a wide variety of courses at PSU and authored and edited seven books on subjects ranging from housing discrimination to the literature of work, from labor unions to atomic energy. His eighth book will be published posthumously and documents the lives of workers at the Hanford Nuclear Reservation. Dr. Wollner also devoted his talents to public service. He was the President of the Board of Directors of the Oregon Jewish Museum and skillfully guided the museum to its new permanent home in northwest Portland. We will miss Dr. Wollner's wisdom and leadership, but most of all his friendship.



# MPH Program News

## Upcoming MPH Thesis Defenses

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

### **Jeffrey L. Williams**

*Estimates of complications and clinically significant findings in screening and surveillance colonoscopy*

Thursday, January 13, 2011, Seminar: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

School of Nursing, Room 122. 3455 SW US Veterans Hospital Road, Portland, OR 97239

### **Gene L. Bowman, ND**

*Pattern analysis of nutrient biomarkers in neuroepidemiology*

Wednesday, January 19, 2011, Seminar: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

CROET, Room 3524, 3181 SW Sam Jackson Park Road, Portland, OR 97239

<http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/education/schools/school-of-medicine/departments/clinical-departments/public-health/education-programs/student-resources/thesis-seminars.cfm>

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## Announcing New Concentration in Global Health Studies for MPH Students

In December 2010, the [School of Medicine](#) Graduate Council approved the development of an innovative educational opportunity for OHSU MPH students interested in Global Health. The Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine and the OHSU Global Health Center will integrate their educational agendas within the existing framework provided and supported by the OHSU Epidemiology and Biostatistics track of the Oregon MPH program. Students in our track can now earn a “concentration” in Global Health Studies. Details about the program and instructions about how to apply will soon be available on the department website.

## Andy Thomas Represents!

On November 19th, the Oregon MPH leadership retreat was held in Salem. This strategic planning event brings together the Dean’s Oversight Council, faculty leaders from the Coordinating Council, and faculty members who serve in Track Coordinator roles. The Student Campus Representatives are also full participants in this annual planning activity. **Andy Thomas from OHSU**, Katharine Ryan from PSU, and Josh Stroud from OSU excellently represented student perspectives and interests. Input for OMPH strategic issues to consider came from a pre-retreat survey to External Advisory Council community members, student campus reps, and all faculty members affiliated with OMPH.

## Glen Kautz Represents, Too!

In mid-November, MPH student **Glen Kautz** volunteered at a three day event—a Partnership with West Linn-Wilsonville School District and OHSU’s Let’s Get Healthy! Glen’s work was featured in The Oregonian! [http://www.oregonlive.com/west-linn/index.ssf/2010/11/west\\_linn-wilsonville\\_ohsu\\_lets\\_get\\_healthy.html](http://www.oregonlive.com/west-linn/index.ssf/2010/11/west_linn-wilsonville_ohsu_lets_get_healthy.html).

For more information about Let’s Get Healthy, visit their site: <http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/research/centers-institutes/octri/current-projects/nutrition-world.cfm>