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SPECIAL FALL CONFERENCE PREVIEW

Oregon Public Health Association 63rd Annual Meeting & Conference

October 3 and 4, 2007

LaSells Stewart Center, OSU Campus, Corvallis, Oregon

Join your Public Health colleagues October 3rd and 4th in Corvallis for the 63rd annual OPHA meeting and conference. This will be an exciting and stimulating two days of education, networking, and looking towards the future. A scientific poster session is set for early Wednesday evening and the OPHA annual business meeting, section meetings, award presentations, and elections will be featured throughout. We think you will find the plenary speakers and breakout sessions especially informative. Come see what your colleagues are working on throughout the state, hear about successes and lessons learned, help shape the direction of OPHA and meet friends. Keep reading for a registration form and other information such as: plenary speaker biographies, voting, directions and places to stay while in Corvallis, sneak peak article from a scheduled breakout session presenter and other OPHA news. The registration packet is available at the OPHA website: www.oregonpublichealth.org.

September is National Preparedness Month

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Oregon Public Health Association Mission

- ◆ *Protect and promote the health of all Oregon residents*
- ◆ *Educate and support public health workers*
- ◆ *Advocate for just and equitable health policies*



Memorial Union at night, Oregon State University.
Photo by Jennifer Schmidt

WANTED: OPHA Health Education and Promo- tion Section Chair

The HEP section chair position begins at the time of the annual meeting in October and serves in that position for a minimum of one year. The chair duties and requirements are:

1. Serves as the section leader
2. Sets up and attends section meetings when, where, and how the section chooses to have them.
3. Leads and/or delegates other section activities as decided by section members.
4. Provides ongoing communication with section members.
5. Serves as section representative on board of directors and attends monthly board meetings.
6. Should enjoy mentoring others.
7. Must be flexible, funny, and fun!



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Plenary Session Speakers



Susan Allan

Assistant Director for
Public Health - State
Public Health Officer

Susan Allan, JD, MD, of Portland oversees the state's public health programs, and works with county health administrators to ensure delivery of consistent and high-quality public health services across Oregon.

Among DHS' public-health programs are maternal and child health, disease and injury prevention, drinking-water monitoring, hospital licensing, emergency medical services regulation, public health laboratory services, and vital records.

Allan holds degrees in law and medicine from Harvard University and has a Masters of Public Health from Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health.



Stephen Bezruchka

Professor, University of
Washington

Stephen Bezruchka, MD, MPH has been a member of the University of Washington, School of Public Health and Community Medicine, faculty since 1993. He is affiliated with the International Health Track, (MPH program) and the Community-oriented Public Health Practice Program. He has spent over 10 years in Nepal working in various health programs,

teaching in remote regions. He works currently as an emergency physician in Seattle area hospitals. His teaching interests include: Population Health, Medical Harm, Qualitative Research, and Clinical Care in remote settings.



Bruce Goldberg

Director of the Oregon
Department of Human
Services

Bruce Goldberg MD, is a family medicine physician who has devoted his professional career to improving the organization, delivery, and financing of public health services. He has been Director of the Oregon Department of Human Services since November 2005, a position he says he was drawn to because of the opportunity it provides for making a positive difference in the lives of so many people.

During his time with DHS he has led efforts to improve children's access to health care and reduce hunger and food insecurity among Oregonians, has been instrumental in developing plans for revamping the state's mental health system and constructing two new state psychiatric hospitals, and has promoted education and prevention as the most effective means of protecting and improving the health of Oregonians.

Dr. Goldberg's experience also includes serving as head of the Office for Oregon Health Policy and Research, Medical Director

for CareOregon, Health Officer for Columbia County in Oregon, and Director of Community Health Services in Zuni, New Mexico. He was a faculty member at Oregon Health & Science University for more than 15 years.

He has published widely and has served on numerous regional and national advisory boards and committees. He is currently chair of the American Public Human Services Association's National Policy Council.

He received a Lifetime Achievement Award in 2002 from the Oregon Public Health Association, the OHSU School of Medicine's 2000 Faculty Humanism Award, and in 1994 was named a U.S. Public Health Service Primary Care Policy Fellow.

Dr. Goldberg is a graduate of the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York City and completed his family medicine training at Duke University. He and his wife, also a physician, are the proud parents of two daughters, one in college and one in high school. In his spare time he plays the harmonica in a rhythm and blues band and roots for the New York Yankees.



Mitch Greenlick

Researcher, Teacher,
Leader, and State
Legislator

Merwyn "Mitch" Greenlick, PhD, currently an Oregon State Rep-

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representative, is an OPHA member. He received his PhD in medical care organization from the University of Michigan. He was the founding Director of the Kaiser Permanente Center for Health Research (CHR) and later became Vice President for Research, Kaiser Foundation Hospitals. Although he retired from CHR, he did not retire from public health. Rather, he became the Chair of the Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine at OHSU from 1990-2000. There, he worked with academic and public health practice colleagues to form the educational collaborative that is now the Oregon MPH Program. This unique three university (OHSU, PSU and OSU) graduate MPH program currently serves 300 students enrolled in eight tracts on three campuses. The Epidemiology and Biostatistics track is part of the Oregon MPH Program.

Mitch is well-known internationally and served as research advisor on projects throughout the country and as an advisor to several foreign government research and medical care institutions. He was elected to the National Academy of Science's Institute of Medicine in 1971 and served on and chaired a number of NAS study committees. He has published more than 200 books, articles, and papers. He is a Distinguished Fellow of the Academy for Health Services Research and Health Policy (now Academy Health) and in 1994 received the Academy's President's Award for his lifetime contributions to the field of health services research. He received the Oregon Public Health Association's 2005 Legislator of the Year Award and the Community Health Partnership's 2005 Public Health Genius Award. He

is a member of the Board of Directors of the Northwest Health Foundation, where he is recognized as a health care expert and leader. He is a familiar and respected name in local, national, and international public health. An academician, researcher, visionary, and tireless practitioner of collaboration, he is responsible for improving the public's health on many fronts - through research, policy, and practice.

Mitch was first elected to the Oregon House of Representatives in 2002 and re-elected in 2004 and 2006. During the 2007 Legislative session, he served on the Education Committee and the Education Subcommittee on Higher Education, and chaired the Health Care Committee and the Health Care Subcommittee on Health Care Access.

**Mel Kohn**State
Epidemiologist

Mel Kohn, MD, of Portland is state epidemiologist and administrator of the DHS Office of Disease Prevention and Epidemiology. Before joining DHS in 1999, Kohn was medical director for a section of the Louisiana Office of Public Health in New Orleans, where he was also an assistant professor at Tulane University School of Medicine. He was a U.S. Centers for Disease Control epidemic intelligence service officer from 1993 to 95. A pediatrician by training, Kohn holds a medical degree (1990) from Harvard University, a master's in public health from Tulane, and a bachelor's in Russian and European Studies (1981) from Yale University.

**Charles Martinez**Associate Professor,
Oregon Social Learning
Center

Charles Martinez, PhD, is a Clinical Psychologist and Research Scientist at the Oregon Social Learning Center (OSLC). He is the principal investigator on the NIDA-funded Latino Youth and Family Empowerment (LYFE) Project (R21 DA 14617). The main goals of the LYFE Project are to develop, implement, and test the efficacy of a culturally specific family intervention for Latino youngsters at risk for substance use and related problem behaviors.

Since 1999, Martinez has directed the Oregon Prevention Research Center's Latino Research Team (LRT) in collaboration with partners from Centro Latino Americano (the largest community-based social services organization for Latino families in the state), and the local Latino community. He has extensive experience providing clinical and prevention services to diverse populations. He has published numerous methodological and substantive papers related to general cultural issues in prevention and preventive intervention effects for families coping with difficult life circumstances and related to substance use and academic failure prevention for Latino youth.

Martinez also has presented many papers at national conferences, and has acted as an external consultant to other NIMH-funded prevention research centers and community organizations interested in facilitating community collaboration models and conducting culturally relevant intervention adaptations.

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- ___ \$45 Member (\$55 after 9/26)
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- ___ \$25 Student (\$35 after 9/26)

For questions (including membership) contact Lesli Uebel at lesli.uebel@verizon.net or Tom Engle at tsengle@verizon.net

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How to Get to the Conference?

LaSells Stewart Center:

LaSells Stewart Center is located at the corner of 26th Street and Western Boulevard.

⇒ **From I-5:** Highway 34 to Corvallis, left on 4th Street, right on Western Boulevard, right on 26th Street

⇒ **From 99N:** right on Western Boulevard, right on 26th Street

⇒ **From 99S:** left on Western Boulevard, right on 26th Street

⇒ **From Highway 34:** turn on 26th Street

Printable Directions and Map:

<http://oregonstate.edu/lasells/gettinghere.html>

Parking Information:

http://oregonstate.edu/cw_tools/campusmap/

In 'Select a Building' scroll down to LaSells Stewart Center and select 'Parking Areas' under 'Added Features' to find the center location on OSU Campus and Parking Lots (and the 'Pay and Display Stations'). You may park in 'Student' 'Visitor' sections for \$5.00 per day using the 'Pay and Display' option.

Some parking is free through October 5:

http://oregonstate.edu/facilities/transit_pkg/index_pkg.html



Where to Stay?

Lodging in the Area

The Hilton Gardens is the closest to the conference center (0.4mi) and has a block reserved for the conference until the block is sold out:

- ◆ Hilton Garden Inn Corvallis
2500 SW Western Blvd.
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(541) 752-5000

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- ◆ Econo Lodge Corvallis
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OPHA Members to Vote on Bylaws Amendments at Annual Fall Conference Meeting

OPHA members will be asked to vote on proposed amendments to the current bylaws at the 2007 Annual Membership meeting. You are encouraged to review the proposed amendments before the Annual Business meeting; paper copies will be available at the business meeting.

To see the proposed changes, visit the OPHA website: <http://www.oregonpublichealth.org> or contact Ebony Williams, OPHA Administrative Support at 503/227.5502 x221 or ebony@communityhealthpartnership.org.

Please review the proposed bylaw amendments, attend the Annual Business meeting, and of course, VOTE!

If you have comments or questions about the proposed changes, please contact any of your board members, your section representative or one of the OPHA Bylaw Committee members:

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2007 Elections Ballots

**Let your voice be heard!
Participate in shaping
the future of OPHA!**

If you reside in Benton, Clackamas, Hood River, Linn, or Marion County, use "Region 5" ballot. All others use "Region 1, 2, 3, 4, 6" ballot. There is a Board representative from each reach. Region 5 happens to be the only Region with a term ending this year. The only difference between the two ballots is that one has the Region 5 position, and the other does not.

Visit the OPHA website at <http://www.oregonpublichealth.org/> to review biographies and vote for the following regions:

Region 5 Ballot
Region 5 Nominee Biographies

Region 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 Ballot
Region 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 Biographies

Questions to:
kathleen.oleary@state.or.us

OPHA Submits Kellogg Foundation Grant

The OPHA Board submitted a grant to the Kellogg Foundation in response to an APHA affiliate capacity building initiative. The grant would allow us to increase our influence during developmental stages of public health policy in Oregon, expand our advocacy efforts, enhance our ability to interact with APHA, and develop additional sustainable human resources and infrastructure.

If the \$90,000 grant is awarded to the OPHA, funds will be available October 1, 2007 through September 2010. Thanks to all the Board members that provided input and to Katie Riley, Joan Randall, Billi Odegaard, Tom Engle, and Mitch Haas who helped put the final version together. Jan Wallinder led the Grant Development Committee; without her leadership and vision, the grant would not have come to fruition.

The OPHA Board feels that a solid proposal was submitted, and whether or not it is funded, the proposal provides a framework for the Board to act on in coming years.

Protecting Indigenous Farmworkers in the Willamette Valley

By Stephanie Farquhar, PhD, MA

In the past several decades, increasing numbers of indigenous peoples have been arriving in Oregon for agricultural work. Of the 174,000 farmworkers in Oregon, an estimated 40% are of indigenous Mexican or Central American descent (not of Latin or Hispanic origin), and have distinct cultural and linguistic traditions. These workers may be more vulnerable than other farmworkers to hazardous working conditions, substandard housing, poverty, geographic isolation, and discrimination due in part to limited English and Spanish proficiency, low literacy levels, and unfamiliarity with social and health systems in the U.S.

Despite indigenous farmworkers' increasing presence in Oregon, few governmental agencies, health centers, or employers in Oregon have acknowledged this group, or acquired the language skills, cultural competence, or resources necessary to meet their needs. One local project is working to change that. *Promoting the Occupational Health of Indigenous Farmworkers* is a four-year project funded by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH). This community-based participatory research project aims to improve the occupational health concerns of indigenous farmworkers through education and policy change. The project's mission is to increase the ability of migrant farmworkers who speak neither Spanish nor English to understand the hazards associated with agricultural work and to increase their access to economic, health, and



A photo of the *Promoting the Occupational Health of Indigenous Farmworkers* team including: the Oregon Law Center (OLC), *Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste* (PCUN), Salud Medical Center, Farmworker Justice (FJ), and Portland State University School of Community Health. The "vital core of this project" is four outreach workers who each speak English and/or Spanish and an indigenous language such as Mixteco Alto or Mixteco Bajo.

social services. A unique aspect of this effort is the team of project partners that works collaboratively to make decisions about the research and the project. This team includes the Oregon Law Center (OLC), *Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste* (PCUN), Salud Medical Center, Farmworker Justice (FJ), and Portland State University School of Community Health. Four outreach workers who each speak English and/or Spanish and an indigenous language such as Mixteco Alto or Mixteco Bajo are the vital core of this project, providing local leadership and an intimate knowledge of farmworker communities.

The project team conducted baseline surveys and focus groups with farmworkers to investigate their needs, explore existing occupational health and safety conditions, solicit ways of conveying information, and identify priorities for action.

Farmworkers were asked questions about health status, pesticide training, use and knowledge of available services, and attitudes about their roles in the community. Partners worked together to develop the survey questionnaire and the focus group questions, and analyze and interpret the data. The results of both were shared with the farmworkers themselves to give them an opportunity to respond to the information. Both focus groups and surveys were conducted in Spanish and indigenous languages by the project's multilingual outreach workers.

Survey results revealed significant demographic differences between indigenous and Latino farmworkers. Indigenous workers were younger and had been in Oregon a shorter period of time than Latino workers. Indigenous workers had received

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less formal education than Latino workers, but the amount of education received was very low for all workers. Both indigenous and Latino workers had received an average of 5 years of schooling in Mexico and less than one year of schooling in the U.S. The sample was culturally and linguistically diverse; indigenous and Latino workers came from different regions in Mexico, and survey respondents spoke eleven different languages. Workers interviewed were employed in twelve different types of agricultural jobs, with most being pickers, followed by nursery, orchard, and cannery workers. Thirty-two percent of indigenous workers reported discrimination for speaking their native language, while only 8% of Latino workers experienced this problem for speaking Spanish.

Survey results suggested that farmworkers have inadequate information regarding pesticide use and health effects. Moreover, indigenous workers may not receive this information in a language they understand. Given the farming practices in the Willamette valley and the types of crops grown, it is likely that many of the harvesters and pruners work in areas that have been recently treated with pesticides. However, only 48% of workers reported working in treated areas, and only 57% of these workers reported ever receiving any pesticide training. Any training given was conducted in English or Spanish, and no training was ever given in any indigenous language to the surveyed workers. About 40% of indigenous workers surveyed said they understood Spanish well enough to receive written information, and 87% said they understood Spanish well enough to receive information orally. However, it may be common for indigenous Mexicans to overestimate their Spanish language skills or downplay their indigenous language fluency. During the National Agricultural Workers Survey, indigenous Mexicans commonly reported Spanish as their first language, even if they were not proficient in Spanish and had spoken an indigenous language since birth. The dearth of linguistically appropriate pesticide and hazard communication training, and information about the potential health threats of exposure could directly threaten their well-being and the well-being of their families.

The results of the survey indicate the need for culturally and linguistically appropriate pesticide and hazard communication education and training materials. The project has begun to address this need by developing a peer education curriculum and low literacy crop booklet for strawberries. It completed its first year of training sessions with

promotores, or lay health workers, who are distributing pesticide safety information and educating workers of their right to a safe work environment. In addition, the *promotores* have begun to discuss issues for policy change.

The project is working on increasing awareness

As noted by one indigenous worker during the focus groups, "They [the employers] provide the information in Spanish and they think they all [workers] speak Spanish, and they don't care if you speak another language".

among medical providers, regulating agencies, and employers. They must be educated that Indigenous languages are not simply a variation of Spanish, but are unique and diverse languages and that indigenous cultures have distinct traditions such as using traditional medicine and healing systems. As noted by one indigenous worker during the focus groups: "When [the employer] provides the information and the people don't speak Spanish, how are they going to explain to those people that speak a different language... they need [an interpreter]. They [the employers] provide the information in Spanish and they think they all [workers] speak Spanish, and they don't care if you speak another language." The need to address the lack of culturally and linguistically appropriate information is urgent and immediate. This will ensure compatibility between the training and the audience, and promote effective and accurate distribution of information in the future.

Please contact: Nancy Cuilwik (cuilwik@pdx.edu) or Stephanie Farquhar (farquhar@pdx.edu) for more information.

Stephanie Farquhar, PhD, MA, will be presenting at the OPHA Meeting and Conference on October 3rd and 4th. To hear and share about work being done throughout the state—Go to the conference!!! Information throughout this issue and/or follow this link registration packet: http://www.oregonpublichealth.org/Registration_Packet.doc



Taking Stock of Preparedness: September is National Preparedness Month

By Susan Allan, JD, MD, MPH

State and local public health departments continue to be major players in advancing the state's emergency preparedness systems. Oregon's public health system is currently focusing on three regionally relevant emergency scenarios: a large flu outbreak, a major earthquake, and an accidental chemical spill.

"These aren't the only emergencies we are preparing for, but if we do these well, they provide the framework for responding to almost any other emergency that might occur," says State Public Health Director Susan Allan, MD, JD, MPH. For example, a comprehensive earthquake plan prepares Oregon for tsunamis, floods, and volcanic eruptions, a pandemic influenza plan applies to any major disease outbreak, and a chemical response plan will be useful for most radiation events.

Recently, news media have focused on avian influenza and the threat of a human pandemic, although avian influenza has not yet been detected in birds or humans in North America. The Oregon Public Health Division (OPHD) has been working with its partners at the state and federal departments of fish and wildlife and agriculture to de-

velop an interagency response plan to an animal avian influenza emergency. An orientation to the state plan and tabletop exercises for local health departments will be held in four locations around the state in late November and early December. See workshop schedule.

In addition to collaborating with agriculture and wildlife agencies on planning and preparedness for avian flu in animals, the OPHD's epidemiology experts and laboratory are prepared to investigate the possibility of human cases, if needed. The division has protocols in place for assessing and testing of suspect human cases of avian influenza. The Oregon State Public Health Laboratory has the capability to test human specimens for H5N1 avian influenza.

Oregon has programs that monitor the safety of drinking water and food supplies daily and routine programs to respond to chemical contaminations and radiological incidents.

"The people and programs that routinely protect our health, food, and water will be especially important if there is a disruption to our systems, and our best protection for an emergency is to have strong systems at work every day," says Allan. "The most reliable and practical information during a public health emergency is through local and state public health officials."

This month is a good time to remind all Oregonians to take simple steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses and schools. "Every individual and family

should have a preparedness plan," says Allan. "Each of us should do our best to make sure we could survive in our own homes for at least a few days if we were isolated and without electricity."

For more information on emergency planning visit:

<http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/>

A few suggestions for preparing Your household:

- ◆ Have a three-day supply of food and water on hand in your home at all times
- ◆ Have battery-powered lights and a radio, with spare batteries
- ◆ Carry a list of your medications and major medical diagnoses in your wallet or purse

If you take medications that are essential for your health, always keep a least a week's supply on hand

- ◆ Be familiar with your community's plans, so you know where to go for help or for local information
- ◆ Identify the safe places to go in your house in case of an earthquake
- ◆ Make a communication plan for your family—where you would go if you couldn't get home and how to contact each other.

Avian Influenza: Preparedness Workshops

Baker City - Nov. 27

Bend - Nov. 29

Woodburn - Dec. 4

Roseburg - Dec. 6

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American Public Health Association Legislative Update

The APHA met in August to review progress on six issues:

1. House and Senate Pass SCHIP Reauthorization.
2. APHA's Summer PHACT (Public Health in Action) Campaign.
3. Senate Committee - FDA to Regulate Tobacco Products.
4. Appropriations Update.
5. Farm Bill Passes House of Representatives.

POLICY WATCH!

News on relevant federal, state and local activities affecting public health programs.

For details on the August 2007 Legislative Update, please visit:

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