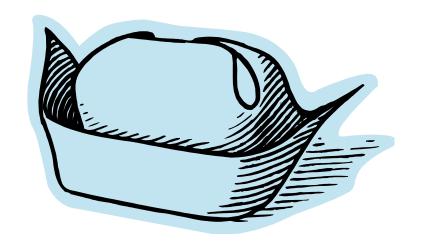
## Public Health Nurse Leadership Celebration May 6,2014



## Here today

- Students
- Nurse 0-5 years
- Nurse 6-10 years
- Nurse 11-19 years
- Nurse > 20 years
- Retired



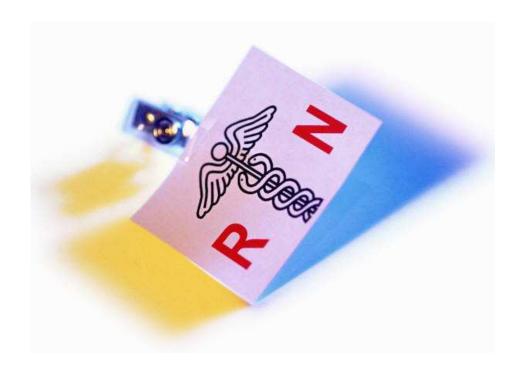
#### **OPHA** – Nursing Section

#### This year

- Capital visit day
  - Large nurse and nursing student turn out
- Internal organization and workplan development
- Nursing celebration

#### **Next** year

- Nursing summit
- Strategic plan
- Reaching out to nurses in Eastern and Central Oregon



### OPHA PHN LEADERSHIP AWARD

#### Teri Thalhofer

- Nurse Supervisor
- North Central Public Health District
- Nurse for 27 years, 14 years in public health
- Appointed to the Early Learning Council to represent all of public health in the system transition to support early childhood.
- Was "Miss Spirit" her junior year of high school and still own the tiara; cries at everything; and proud of her amazing family.



## Maggi Machala

- Coordinator for Project LAUNCH young child wellness demonstration project
- Deschutes County Health Services
- Nurse for 38 years, 30 in public health
- Developed a "one-stop" prenatal care system in Idaho that covered eight counties and five hospital systems. PHNs were the glue to the system. Over the first three years of the project, drop-in deliveries at area hospitals decreased from 200 to 20 and NICU days decreased significantly.
- Made many blunders while in Colombia serving with the Peace Corps as a nursing instructor.



#### Dianna Pickett

- Public Health Nurse Consultant, working on improving children's and child care provider's health and safety in child care settings
- Oregon Public Health Division
- Began career in public health nursing at Benton County in 1973 after 2 grueling years working on a post op surgical floor at the hospital in Corvallis.
- Had a public health nurse mentor named Hanna Sue Harvey who worked in Marion County Health Department. Dianna wanted to do what she did!
- "Where ever I worked, no matter what my job description, it always became public health. Can't help it...not sorry! Public health nursing has challenged me, taught me, frustrated and enlightened me. It has brought me wonderful friendships and shown me hidden jewels of the human spirit. It has given me a chance to help make life better, at least for some, and to share a vision for a healthier future for all. It has impassioned me and made me raise my hand enthusiastically because I forgot that I was already over committed. I have pressed my husband and children into service to a public health nursing project, and they enjoyed it (mostly). I have renamed my granddaughter's "Doctor" kit and "Nurse" kit and we addressed a whooping cough outbreak among her stuffed animals. I'm hopelessly a public health nurse."



#### AND THE WINNER IS...



#### **MAGGI MACHALA**

## Special Thanks

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- Dianna Pickett
- Connie Guist
- Carol Easter
- MaiKia Moua
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# OPHA PUBLIC HEALTH ONURSING ROCKS!!!



#### Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Well-being

The Story of Lillian Wald



# Public Health Nurse Leadership Award Nominees



Award nominees 2014
Teri Thalhofer and Dianna Pickett
With Theresa Watts,
OPHA Nursing Section Chair

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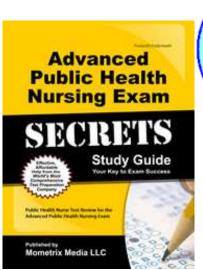




#### Public Health Nursing

Yesterday Today the Future





















Public Health Nurse working with a child care.



#### In their own words...

"I look forward every day to working in an Adult Day Health Care center. Each day brings new challenges and joys looking after the health concerns and wellness of the seniors."



Carol Bracey, RN, BSN, MPA Public Health Nurse III Center Nurse Coordinator Adult Day Health Care Program







**School nursing** 

Drugs, users and outreach nursing.



**Checking for nits.** 



Public health nurse planning her day... which might include giving head lice advice.

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Visiting Nurse Society of Philadelphia nurse, c. 1947



Visiting Nurses have historically gone to great lengths to care for their patients.

Photo circa 1915







Health fair on base.





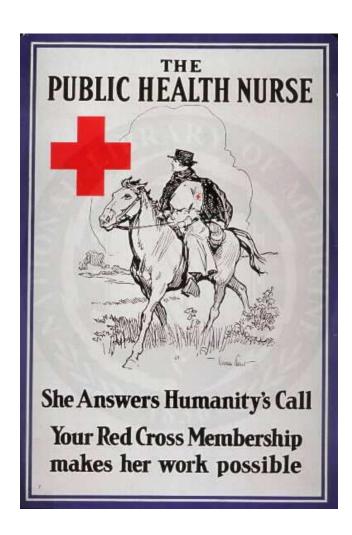


School nurse examining a student's throat in an undisclosed school building in North Carolina circa 1920. (Courtesy of the North Carolina State Archives,

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Disaster and emergency exercise



A Public Health Nurse weighs and assesses a new baby's health.



Pregnant mother talks with a public health nurse about her back pain at a San Francisco program that combats black infant mortality.





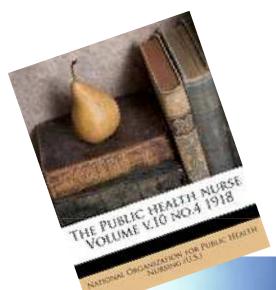






A public health nurse talks with third-graders while dressed in a giant tick costume.

Public health nurse teaching children at a school about dental hygiene in Tampa, Florida.





#### In their own words...

"Public health nursing is a community-oriented and population-focused nursing practice. The Health Department's mission is to promote a healthy community. I live in Fairfax County and I'm happy to be part of an agency responsible for promoting the health of the community."



Lillian Hidalgo, RN, BSN Public Health Nurse II Clinic Services









