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Chair Chatter June 3, 2022

It was wonderful to see all of our graduates from 2020, 2021, and 2022, their families, friends, and loved ones last week. After two years of COVID restrictions it was terrific to celebrate their great achievements. For some of us and some of these graduates, it was the first time to meet their colleagues, faculty, and staff in person!

You can see photos from the EH Commencement Celebration [here](#) behind the Harvard Key. If you have any pictures you would like to share, please send them to eh-chatter@hsph.harvard.edu and we will add them to this website.

Last week we specifically congratulated our 2022 graduates and this week we extend our congratulations to our 2020 and 2021 graduates listed below.

Congratulations to Greg Wagner who received the John Peters Award from the Assembly on Environmental, Occupational and Population Health at the annual American Thoracic Society Meeting last week. This award is given “*In appreciation of a lifetime of leadership, research, and devoted service to the pursuit of respiratory health.*” This award was established in memory of John Peters (MPH 1964, DSc 1966) who was a professor in our department and led our occupational health program until 1980.

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2019 – 2020 Graduates

Doctor of Science

Annelise Blomberg, Erika Eitland, Longxiang Li, Augusta Williams, Gyeyoon Yim

PhD in Population Health Sciences

Jie Yin, Anna Young, Qianyu Yuan, Yinnan Zheng

Master of Science

Haley Barravecchia, Sue Chan, Di (Marina) Chen, Rachel Croy, Shuxin Dong, Xiao Huang, Callan Krevanko, HaYoung Kyung, Yue Li, Blake Liu, Lihui Pan, Marlaina Rohmann, Emily Silva, Yixiao Sun, Yuantong Sun, Jayson Toweh, Veronica Wang, Yenan Xu, Sarah Zelasky

Master of Public Health (65 credits)

Yuan-Tin (Jessie) Chang, Maia Gokhale, Christopher Mawhorter, Larissa McDonogh-Wong, Adam Meier, Emma Pollack, Juan Reynoso

Master of Public Health (45 credits)

Richard Abitria, Glen Cheng, Gabriel Gaviola, Stephen Kasteler

Medical Residents

Robert Filler, Nathan Jones, Hussam Kurdi, Michael Parenteau, Christopher Scheibler

2020 – 2021 Graduates

Doctor of Science

Bora Plaku-Alakbarova

PhD in Population Health Sciences

Aleshka Carrion-Matta, Ernani Choma, MyDzung Chu, Mahdieh Danesh Yazdi, Emily Jones, Fan-Yun Lan, Huichu Li, Anna Oppenheimer, Adjani Peralta, Yaguang Wei

PhD in Biological Sciences in Public Health

Joseph Beyene

Master of Science

Sanjana Bhaskar, Marissa Chan, Kelly Chen, Harrison Grogan, Tingfan Jin, Dijuan Liang, Xiaoyang (Jaylen) Liang, Jahred Liddie, Jiachen (Jason) Liu, Rongqi (Abbie) Liu, Wenxin Lu, Tabitha Lumour-Mensah

Masters of Public Health/Masters of Urban Planning

Anne Lin, Kyle Miller

Master of Public Health (65 credits)

Kritika Anand, James Healy, Helena Hengelbrok

Master of Public Health (45 credits)

Guido Guidotti, Alexander Jobrack, Shane Joseph, Samuel Ko, Jonathan David Sterns, Elizabeth Yates

Medical Residents

Richard Abitria, Glen Cheng, Gabriel Gaviola, Stephen Kasteler

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Upcoming Events

Tuesday, June 7th, 9:30 am – 10:30 am

MIPS Works In Progress: Antonella Marrocco will present “E-Cigarette, or Vaping, Associated Acute Lung Injury (EVALI): State of science and future research needs”

Zoom: <https://harvard.zoom.us/j/95915233377?pwd=ZF15N3JwZUNKSSEh0Rxa2h1Y2ZBUT09>

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Many celebrations take place in June.

This Sunday is Father's Day. I want to give a big shout out to all the fathers in our department, who do their best to balance family and work responsibilities. I hope you can enjoy your day off!

Tomorrow (Friday) is a university sponsored bonus day off. On Monday the university is closed in celebration of Juneteenth, the federal holiday that celebrates the day that enslaved Americans in Galveston, Texas finally received word that they were free from bondage two years after President Lincoln delivered the famous Emancipation Proclamation. I hope everyone can use this long holiday weekend to enjoy, relax, and recharge!

In addition, June is Pride month. It gives us a chance to recognize and celebrate the contributions of the LGBTQ+ members of our EH community.

Yesterday we celebrated the life and career of Professor William (Bill) Burgess, 1924-2020, who left a tremendous legacy of achievement in our department in the field of Occupational Health Engineering. He was widely recognized for pioneering creative ways of defending workers against respiratory health hazards in many industries including mining, steel making, and fire fighting. He was beloved by colleagues, students, and workers alike. There were numerous tributes to his kindness and humor from current leaders in the field that were his former students. Many spoke of the field trips in the Basic Problems in Occupational Hygiene course that taught them how to apply knowledge to real world situations. Bill received many awards, including the 2013 Professor Emeritus Award of Merit by our school. Thanks to all who participated, to Bob Herrick, Heather Mumford, and Dominic Hall who helped organize it, and especially to Barbara Zuckerman, Kaitlin Breen, Shaun Heller, Liana Lawrence, and Catherine Ward who coordinated it.

Congratulations to Greg Wagner, who received the John Peters Award at the ATS annual meeting from the Assembly on Environmental, Occupational and Population Health "In appreciation of a lifetime of leadership, research, and devoted service to the pursuit of respiratory health." Well deserved, Greg!

Congratulations also to Lida Hariri, David Christiani and colleagues on their article published in NEJM Evidence entitled "[E-Cigarette Use, Small Airway Fibrosis, and Constrictive Bronchiolitis](#)". It even merited a related [editorial](#). Well done!

Ernani Choma's article in the American Journal of Preventative Medicine entitled "[Disparities in Activity and Traffic Fatalities by Race/Ethnicity](#)" was covered by [ABC News](#), which quotes him. They point out that there is a higher rate of traffic fatalities among Black and Hispanic Americans while walking and cycling, and the possible systemic reasons for that. Great work, Ernani!

As always, I invite you to follow us on twitter [@HarvardEnvHlth](https://twitter.com/HarvardEnvHlth) , and please send your news/events to eh-chatter@hsph.harvard.edu. Have a great long weekend!

Upcoming Events

Friday, June 17 (AM Session 8:50am -11:45am, PM Session 12:50pm - 4:00 pm)
Health Occupational and Environmental Medicine Residency Program - The 2022 Residents' Research and Capstone Presentations

AM Agenda: Second Year Residents' Research Presentations

- 9:00 Welcome – Stefanos N. Kales, MD, MPH, FACOEM, FACP, Director, Occupational Environmental Medicine Residency
- 9:15 *Beyond two-years post academy graduation follow-up of health and fitness in a cohort of firefighters during their early career*
Sam Ko, MD, MPH and Shane Joseph, MD, MPH
- 10:00 2-Cycle lawn and garden equipment emissions
James Medeiros, DO, MPH
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 A randomized controlled trial to investigate the impact of professional development coaching for physicians - J. David Sterns, MD, MPH
- 11:15 The association between mental wellbeing, job fulfillment, and organizational support during the COVID-19 pandemic among healthcare workers – Alexander Jobrack, DO, MPH
- 11:45 – 12:45 Box lunch for presenters, faculty, staff and presenters' guests

PM Agenda: Capstone Project Presentations by 1st Year Residents, Awards and Certificates

The OEM 1st Year Residents will report on their MPH-required capstone projects. Topics include: personal care products and preeclampsia, mobile health applications for US service members; growing the mobile healthcare movement; and technological data needs for wildfire emergency response.

- 1:00 *Personal Care Product Use and Preeclampsia*
José Villa-Uribe, MD, MPH
- 1:30 *Mobile health applications for US service members*
Joseph Abrams, DO, MPH
- 2:00 Growing the mobile healthcare movement

2:30	Kevan, Lutchman, MD, MPH Break
2:45	Qualitative analysis of technological data needs for California wildfire emergency response organizations - Racheal Zacks, MD, MPH
3:15	Reset for Awards
3:20	Awards presented by Sam Ko, MD, MPH
3:35	Certificates of Completion presented by Stefanos Kales, MD, MPH
3:45	Congratulations – David C. Christiani, MD, MPH, MS, Director, Harvard Chan - NIOSH Education and Research Center
3:50	Appreciations and send-off – Stefanos N. Kales, MD, MPH
4:00	Adjourn

Location: In person ~ HSPH FXB G13 for presenters, HSPH faculty/staff and presenters' guests.

Zoom Registration Links:

AM Session (ZOOM opens 8:50 am):

https://harvard.azure.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bsyuxYqSep7WOqi

PM Session (ZOOM opens 12:50 pm):

https://harvard.azure.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cOXcdOzVKk0gzQ2

Virtual via ZOOM; Pre-registration required

Website link to register for ZOOM link:

[http://hsph.me/Capstone Presentations ZOOM Registration - PM](http://hsph.me/Capstone%20Presentations%20ZOOM%20Registration%20-%20PM)

Wednesday, June 22 (1:00 – 2:00 PM ET)

HSPH-NIEHS Center Chalk Talks

“Does HIV modify the influence of air pollution on lung disease? A cohort study in Uganda”

Presenter: Crystal North, MD

More information: <https://www.hsph.harvard.edu/niehs/event/center-chalk-talks-crystal-north-md/>

Join by Zoom: <https://harvard.zoom.us/j/93854403999?pwd=L3Nvbml2bnQyT3ZObi9BQmxGN3VZZz09>

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Chair Chatter
June 30, 2022

Well folks, it's already halfway through this calendar year! The school will be closed tomorrow, July 1, through Monday July 4, so enjoy the long holiday weekend and the parades, fireworks and barbecues that go along with it. Congratulations to Jin-Ah Park, who as perfect timing would have it, officially became a U.S. citizen just this week.

This week marks the departure of two longtime members of our EH/MIPS community. Principal Research Scientist Rick Rogers will be leaving us after 33 years, during which time he did a lot of different kinds of research including studying the environmental effects on hearing. Associate Professor Bernardo Lemos will also be leaving us to take a position as the Ken Coit Professor and Endowed Chair in Aging at the University of Arizona after 15 years at Harvard, the last 11 with us in EH. We wish them both well in their future endeavors.

ISCHE, the International Society for Children's Health and the Environment, awarded Philippe Grandjean, M.D., the Needleman Award at its conference last week in Norway. Philippe was awarded this medal for his scholarly and critical work on methyl mercury, lead, PFAS and other toxic chemicals, as well as his central role in promoting the Precautionary Principle as policy regarding the use of potentially toxic chemicals to which children and others might be exposed. Congratulations Philippe!

C-Change's Visiting Scientist Drew Michanowicz was quoted in a Boston Globe article entitled "[More toxins found in natural gas used at home](#)". This article was based on a study by Drew and others entitled "[Home is Where the Pipeline Ends: Characterization of Volatile Organic Compounds Present in Natural Gas at the Point of the Residential End User](#)", which was published in the journal Environmental Science & Technology.

As always, keep sending news to our [eh-chatter](#) mailbox.

Again, I wish you all an enjoyable holiday weekend. I myself will be taking a vacation next week, and will catch up with you upon my return.