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# Kiosk



## Massive AIDS trial seeks to bolster prevention strategy

Max Essex (right), Victor De Gruttola (left) and colleagues have launched a study in Botswana to test the use of drug treatment to prevent new infections. The trial is enrolling more than 100,000 people from across the country.



## Growth, size of babies worldwide remarkably similar

New findings from an international study on fetal growth and birth length debunk longstanding beliefs that variations among fetal and infant sizes have something to do with genetics, race, or ethnicity.



## Do women talk more than men?

It's a common stereotype that women talk more than men. But a new study co-led by Jukka-Pekka "JP" Onnela, suggests that context is the key to whether or not that is actually true.

## Event Highlights

### Hot Topics: Your delicious foods at risk: Honey bees and public health

Chensheng "Alex" Lu, associate professor of environmental exposure biology  
August 12  
12:30–1:20 PM  
Kresge G2

### EcoOpportunity Summer City Safari: Brigham Circle Farmers Market

The EcoOpportunity Team leads a leisurely walk from HSPH/HMS to nearby green spaces throughout the summer.  
August 14  
12:30–1:30 PM  
Meet at the Kresge Building entrance

### 9th Teikyo-HSPH Symposium: Training the Next Generation of Public Health Leaders

Lunch and snacks provided  
September 4  
8:30 AM–5:30 PM  
Joseph B. Martin Conference Center, HMS

### Improving Global Health: Focusing on Quality and Safety

HarvardX course  
September 16–November 11  
Open enrollment, free

[Event calendar >](#)

## Around the School

In memoriam: Professor Marc

## Featured video



**Roberts**

Marc Roberts, professor of political economy emeritus, died July 26 at age 71. Read a [condolence letter](#) from Vietnam's Minister of Health.



**Zip code better predictor of health than genetic code**

Melody Goodman, PhD '06, of Washington University in St. Louis, spoke at a recent biostatistics symposium about links between segregation and poor health.

**Faculty news**

[Barbara Burleigh](#) has been promoted to professor of immunology and infectious diseases.

**Logan Express Back Bay shuttle**

Massport now offers shuttles between Logan Airport and Hynes Convention Center and Copley Square. Daily shuttles run approximately every 20 minutes between 5:00 AM and 10:00 PM and are free with MBTA pass.

**Harvard Catalyst Clinical Research Center launches Medical Research Officer Program**

The Medical Research Officer Program can assist basic science and clinical researchers with planning, implementing, and conducting cross-institutional research, identifying clinical research collaborators, and obtaining medical oversight for some procedures that require an institutionally credentialed provider.

**Program on the Global Demography of Aging at Harvard University funds pilot project grants**

The PGDA is a center for research on the economics and demography of aging funded by the by the National Institute of Aging. Complete submissions should be received electronically by 5:00 PM on September 3.

**ePerformance: Are your FY15 goals in ePerformance yet?**

Enter and save your FY15 goals in ePerformance by September 30.

**Building a Better Response e-learning course on the international humanitarian coordination system**

The Harvard Humanitarian Initiative has launched an online learning tool for first responders.

**Longwood manager/supervisor training series**

Improve your skills as a manager during this six-week course. See link for schedule. Register through [PeopleSoft](#). Contact [Gillian Simkiss](#) with questions.



Mosquito nets: The price of prevention

**Research news**



Five daily servings of fruits and veggies enough for health benefit

Under pressure: Latin American women face forced sterilization

Eating fried foods tied to increased risk of diabetes, heart disease

Mental health of children affected by HIV

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