

Relax, summer's not over yet

Reserve a [chair massage](#), offered in the Kresge Cafeteria on Tuesdays in August, 11:00 AM-1:00 PM.

Enjoy [outdoor lunchtime concerts](#) in the Longwood Medical Area, Wednesdays from 12:30-1:30 until September 7.

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HSPH receives two major grants

\$14.1 million to reduce maternal, infant deaths in India



A new program funded by a four-year grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation will test the effectiveness of an innovative checklist-based childbirth safety program in reducing deaths and improving outcomes of mothers and infants in 120 hospitals in India. The program was developed by the World Health Organization and HSPH. [Atul Gawande](#), associate professor in health policy and management at HSPH and a surgeon at Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, and [Jonathan Spector](#), research associate in health policy and management at HSPH and a neonatologist at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, are co-principal investigators. [Read more](#)

\$10 million to study obesity-cancer link



A five-year grant from The National Cancer Institute will fund a new research center to study the relationship between obesity and cancer. The center is part of a new multicenter cooperative research initiative, called Transdisciplinary Research on Energetics and Cancer (TREC). [Frank Hu](#), professor of nutrition and epidemiology at HSPH and co-director of the Program in Obesity Epidemiology and Prevention, is the principal investigator for the Harvard TREC Center. [Read more](#)

Hot Topics summer lecture series

HSPH's McDonough impressed with national health reform implementation

HSPH Prof. John McDonough launched the School's 2011 Hot Topics lecture series with an overview of the Affordable Care Act of 2010 and a progress report

Around the School



HSPH Epi researchers honored

HSPH Prof. [Marc Lipsitch](#), postdoctoral research fellow Tuula Oksanen, and doctoral student Pamela Rist were honored by their colleagues at the North American Congress of Epidemiology 2011.

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[University child care scholarship info sessions.](#)



on the implementation of its many parts. [Read more](#)

Location, location, location: Where you live can affect your health, says HSPH's Laden

[Francine Laden](#), Mark and Catherine Winkler Associate Professor of Environmental Epidemiology, spoke about environmental epidemiology research in general as well as her own research, on how where you live in the United States can affect your health, at a Hot Topics talk. [Read more](#)

Hot Topics lectures are held in FXB G-11. Coming up next:

August 9: [Jack Shonkoff](#), "Leveraging Science to Shape the Future of Early Childhood Policy"

August 16: [Michael VanRooyen](#), "Humanitarian Assistance in War and Disasters: Trends and Technologies"

[August 10 and 30](#)

[Leave your car at home and take the MASCO Longwood T-Party Challenge](#)

World population to surpass 7 billion in 2011



The projected sizable population growth represents an unprecedented global demographic upheaval, says HSPH Prof. [David Bloom](#) in a review article published in *Science*.

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HSPH researchers in the news

Stiffer air pollution regulations crucial, HSPH's Schwartz tells congressional committee



Air pollution expert [Joel Schwartz](#) told a congressional subcommittee on July 26 that new EPA regulations aimed at reducing particulate emissions from coal-fired power plants will eliminate up to 34,000 premature deaths per year. Schwartz, professor of environmental epidemiology, presented an overview about research on the dangers of pollution containing small particulates. [Read more](#)

More news

[Podcast: HSPH's Dariush Mozaffarian speaks to NPR's *Talk of the Nation* about counting calories](#)

[Video: Atul Gawande interviews doctor trying to lower health care costs in Camden, N.J.](#) (PBS' *Frontline*)

[World Health Organization needs 'major reform,' says HSPH's Barry Bloom](#) (HSPH feature)