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Kiosk



Where does the healthcare law rollout stand?

Watch a webcast of a December 4 [Forum at HSPH](#) event at which experts discussed the ACA's bumpy rollout. Pictured: [John McDonough](#) (left) and [Robert Blendon](#) of HSPH.



Eliminating health disparities between nations

A major new report in *The Lancet* contends that, for the first time in human history, the current generation has the financial and technical capacity to eliminate health disparities between poorer and wealthier nations.



Human changes to ecosystems impact health

Across the globe, there are signs that human activity is causing changes to Earth's natural systems that may result in risks to health.

Around the School

HSPH experts comment on Affordable Care Act

Harvard School of Public Health

Event Highlights

[State of the School Dec. 9](#)

Administrative and academic updates and a Q&A. Presentation 3-3:45 p.m., refreshments 3:45-4:30 p.m., Kresge Cafeteria



[Toy drive through Dec. 17](#)

Toys are being collected in boxes in the 90 Smith Street and Kresge lobbies as part of the [Season of Giving](#) program.

[EcoOp Seminar Series](#)

Environmental Sustainability and the Human Experience

Speaker: Barton Seaver, chef, author, and director of the Healthy and Sustainable Food Program at HSPH's Center for Health and the Global Environment
December 10
12:30 PM
Kresge 502

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Centennial Moments

Successes, stories, and surprising facts as the School celebrates its 2013-2014 centennial.



researchers have been contributing to the national conversation on the landmark health reform law.



Beehives to aid research, organic landscaping

New beehives on Harvard's Cambridge campus will support the university's organic landscaping program and help assess the program's environmental impact.



Watch videos of recent talks at HSPH

A November 22 [Forum at HSPH](#) event, [Transforming Global Health](#), featured HSPH Dean Julio Frenk; Mark Dybul, executive director of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria; and Gordon Brown,

UN Special Envoy for Global Education and former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom. Peter Anyang' Nyong'o (left), former minister for medical services for Kenya, spoke at a November 14 [Voices from the Field](#) event on linking poverty reduction to improved access to health care.



Lisa Berkman testifies on economic status and mortality

Watch Berkman's November 20 Senate testimony.

Apply for awards in obesity and cancer research

Investigators are invited to submit proposals to Harvard's Transdisciplinary Research in Energetics and Cancer (TREC) center for awards beginning June 1, 2014. Deadline January 6.

Personal days — use them or lose them

Unused personal days expire in PeopleSoft on December 31, 2013.



New e-waste recycling tubes

Toss old electronic items—batteries, cell phones and chargers, inkjet cartridges and more—into one of the new blue recycling tubes around campus. The tubes are located in main lobbies around the HSPH campus.

Low-rate holiday loans

Just in time for the holidays.

Harvard Community Giving 2013

Make donations through the end of the week.



Getting the lead out

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