

ADVANCING WOMEN IN PUBLIC HEALTH & MEDICINE SYMPOSIUM

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FACULTY BIOGRAPHIES



Dr. Yoshihito Okinaga

Yoshihito Okinaga was born in Tokyo. He graduated and earned an MS in Mechanical Engineering from the Graduate School of Science and Technology, Keio University. He has been interested in automobile and aircraft engineering, and he said that had he not been with an academic organization, he would have been an automobile engineer. In 2002, he was appointed to be the Chairman and President of Teikyo University, as one of the youngest leaders of higher education in Japan. Under his leadership, Teikyo University has made rapid and remarkable development with around 24,000 students at five campuses with ten faculties and ten graduate schools. It also has a junior college, two group universities and three hospitals with two thousand beds.

In addition, Teikyo has five overseas campuses (Durham and London in UK, Berlin in Germany, Hong Kong and Malaysia) and many academic partnerships including Harvard University, the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, Durham University, Peking University, Chulalongkorn University, University of Philippines etc. Under Teikyo's three fundamental school concepts of "practical learning," "international perspectives," and "open mindedness," he always emphasizes the importance of public health as the key discipline to tackle the basic problems of human being and society worldwide. That is why he took the initiative to create the first global standard school of public health in Japan with the assistance of the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health in 2011. Since then, he has pursued many innovative activities using Teikyo School of Public Health as a key mechanism, and the creation of the Teikyo University Support Center for Women Physicians and Researchers is one of them. He travels a lot around the world but despite his very busy schedule as the chairman and president, he regularly goes jogging by circling the Emperor's Palace and also enjoys karaoke.



Dr. Eiji Yano

Eiji Yano, MD, MPH, DMSc is Professor and Dean Emeritus at Teikyo University Graduate School of Public Health; Director of the Teikyo University Center for Occupational and Environmental Health; and Co-Director of the Teikyo-HSPH Program. Yano graduated from the Faculty of Medicine, University of Tokyo. After working as an internist in Mitsui Memorial Hospital and Tokyo University Hospital, he started his teaching carrier in the Department of Public Health, the University of Tokyo. He received an MPH from the Harvard School of Public Health in 1984 after completing an IARC Research Fellowship in the British MRC Pneumoconiosis Unit. He moved to Teikyo University in 1984 and he became Professor and Chair of the

Department of Public Health, Faculty of Medicine. In 1993, Teikyo University and Harvard University started the Teikyo-Harvard Program and in 2011, the two universities jointly created a school of public health in Teikyo

University. He was the first Dean of the Teikyo SPH and in 2013, he was granted Alumni Award of Merit from the Harvard School of Public Health.

His research interests are in occupational and environmental health including health effects of volcanic ash, epidemiological study of asbestos workers in China, health effects of traffic air pollution in Asia, evaluation of screening programs, and teaching and cultivating competent public health professionals with case method. He has edited more than twenty books, including five volumes of "Case Method Teaching of Public Health". In the Science Council of Japan, he is the chair of the Committee for Tobacco Free Society and he was the vice chair of the Committee to Construct Disaster Resilient Society. In 2016, he organized and served as the president of the 48th Asia-Pacific Academic Consortium for Public Health Conference, which was held in Teikyo University to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Teikyo University.



Dr. Hiroko Okinaga

Dr. Hiroko Okinaga serves as the Senior Executive Managing Director and Executive Vice President of Teikyo University; Director of Teikyo University Support Center for Women Physicians and Researchers; and Professor of the Department of Internal Medicine, Teikyo University School of Medicine. Born in 1974, she spent her junior and high school days in Kobe, which is famous for Kobe Beef. In 1993 when she graduated from high school, she entered into the school of medicine in the University of Tokyo, the top national university in Japan. In the same year of her graduation from medical school in 1999, she passed the medical board exam and started her academic career in medicine in Japan.

She started her residency at Mitsui Memorial Hospital and finished the first two-year program and then entered the Graduate School of Medicine (Internal Medicine), the University of Tokyo in 2002. The topic of her doctoral research was "Mechanisms of TRH-induced GH release (paradoxical response) in human somatotroph adenoma cells" in the field of endocrinology and obtained her Doctor of Medicine from the University of Tokyo in 2006. Because of her diligent work, she was awarded the JEPS Young Investigator Award in the 9th Japan Endocrine Pathology Society and the Young Researcher Award in the 1st Acromegaly Forum in 2005, and in 2010, the Kawakami Prize in the 26th Japan Neuroendocrine Society. Soon after marrying President Yoshihito Okinaga, she joined Teikyo University. As a mother of two children, she deeply understands the difficulties women physicians face balancing their work and personal lives. In 2013, she launched the support center for women physicians and researchers in Teikyo University and became actively involved in diversity promotion and management. For her active contribution, Teikyo University was awarded a Grade A evaluation from the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology in 2017.



Dr. Meredith Rosenthal

Dr. Meredith Rosenthal is Professor of Health Economics and Policy and Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. She received her BA in International Relations (Commerce) from Brown University in 1990 and her PhD in Health Policy (Economics track) from Harvard University in 1998. Her research focuses primarily on policies that will help slow the growth in healthcare spending and improve value. These efforts include changes in payment incentives, benefit design, and the provision of information and behavioral "nudges" to both patients and providers. Her research has influenced the design of provider payment systems in both the public and private sectors. She has advised federal and

state policymakers in healthcare payment policy and implementation. She has also testified in Congressional hearings on direct-to-consumer advertising of prescription drugs and pay-for-performance and in legislative hearings in California and Massachusetts concerning healthcare provider payment and benefit design policies.

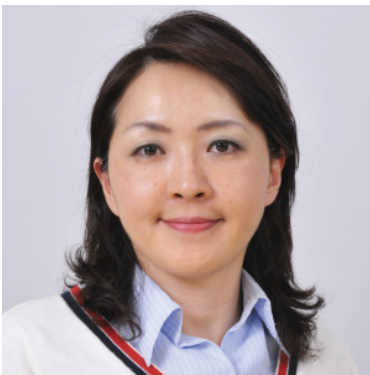
Dr. Rosenthal's work has been published in the *New England Journal of Medicine*, the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, *Health Affairs*, and numerous other peer-reviewed journals. In 2014, Dr. Rosenthal was elected to the Institute of Medicine (recently renamed the National Academy of Medicine). She is a member of the Committee on Higher Degrees in Health Policy, the Massachusetts Center for Healthcare Information and Analysis Oversight Board, and Board Chair of Massachusetts Health Quality Partners, a multi-stakeholder quality improvement organization. As Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs she oversees the Offices of Diversity and Inclusion, Faculty Affairs, and Student Services.



Dr. Mariko Inoue

Dr. Mariko Inoue is an Associate Professor at Teikyo University Graduate School of Public Health. She received her BA in International Studies from the University of the Sacred Heart, Tokyo in 1997 and received an MPH from the University of Michigan, USA, in 2002. After receiving her MPH, she began work as an assistant to the health policy adviser from JICA to the Department of Health in the Philippines (2002-2004). As part of her work toward Filipino health sector reform with the aim of providing universal health insurance coverage, she developed an interest in that sector and in particular, in workers in precarious employment in both countries who represent part of the vulnerable population for whom further work is needed to provide a sustainable health and

social security system. After receiving her PhD in Public Health from the University of Tokyo, she started to work at Teikyo University in 2008. She is also appointed as a visiting scholar at International Labour Organization in 2017. Her current research interests include social epidemiology, with a particular focus on the health of workers in precarious employment and of female workers in Japan. Besides her research, in her role as an educator and based on her experience of educational reform at Teikyo University, she also advocates improvement in education at schools of public health for the education of professionals who can have an impact on society via problem solving.



Dr. Kyoko Nomura

Dr. Kyoko Nomura is Professor of the Department of Public Health at Akita Graduate School of Medicine. She received her MD from Teikyo University in 1993 and completed her residency training in Internal Medicine at Keio University in 1995. After working several years as a general practitioner in Japan, she entered the public health field. She believed that skills and knowledge in the discipline would enable her to improve and maximize the health of more patients compared to individual clinical care. In 1999, Dr. Nomura entered Teikyo University Postgraduate School, earning her PhD in social medicine in 2004. In 2001, she attended the Harvard T.H. Chan School of

Public Health, earning an MPH in biostatistics and epidemiology. After graduating from Teikyo Postgraduate School, she started her career as a researcher at the Department of Hygiene and Public Health at Teikyo University School of Medicine. During her tenure, she has been actively involved in numerous, diverse epidemiological studies, including mal-distribution of physicians in Japan; women physician support; clinical epidemiology; population-based studies about lifestyle modifying disease, maternal child health; and psychosomatic medicine in industrial health. In 2013, Dr. Nomura became head of Teikyo University's new Support Center for Women Researchers and Physicians, which provides many unique supports for women, including allocation of substitute researchers to women faculty who face difficulty of work-family balance. For such continuous and sustainable efforts, Teikyo University was awarded a Grade A evaluation from the Ministry in 2017. In September 2017, Dr. Nomura will begin a new appointment as a professor in Department of Public Health, Akita University Graduate School of Medicine. Akita prefecture faces a high mortality rate due to cancer and suicide and she is expected to play a central role to tackle these challenges by working with related people from the prefectural office, municipalities, a university, and the prefectural medical association.



Dr. Erica Warner

Dr. Erica Warner is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Medicine at the Harvard Medical School, as well as an Assistant Investigator at Massachusetts General Hospital, where she conducts epidemiological research on cancer. She is a member of the Dana-Farber Harvard Cancer Center in the Cancer Epidemiology and Risk and Health Disparities Programs. Dr. Warner is a cancer epidemiologist, studying how lifestyle, behavioral and genetic factors affect risk of cancer, particularly aggressive subtypes. She also examines factors that lead to more deadly subtypes of cancer and higher risk of cancer mortality in minority populations. Current projects include investigating genetic and lifestyle determinants of breast density in a multi-ethnic population, effects

of breast density notification, factors associated with adherence to endocrine therapy for breast cancer in young and black women, risk factors for lethal breast cancer, and racial disparities in breast cancer outcomes using clinical trial data. Dr. Warner has a bachelor's degree from Duke University and a master's in public health degree (MPH) from Yale School of Public Health. Dr. Warner completed her doctorate and the Alonzo Smythe Yerby Postdoctoral Fellowship, both in Epidemiology, at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health.



Dr. Yusuke Tsugawa

Yusuke Tsugawa, MD, MPH, PhD is Assistant Professor at the Division of General Internal Medicine and Health Services Research at David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. He previously was a Research Associate at the Department of Health Policy and Management at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, and a Health Specialist at the World Bank. His research focuses on the variation in quality and costs of care across individual physicians and its determinants. He received his MD from Tohoku University School of Medicine in Japan, MPH from Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, and PhD in Health Policy from Harvard University.



Dr. Ichiro Kawachi

Dr. Ichiro Kawachi, MBChB, PhD, is John L. Loeb Professor of Social Epidemiology, and Chair of the Social & Behavioral Sciences Department at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. Dr. Kawachi received both his medical degree and PhD (in epidemiology) from the University of Otago, New Zealand. He has taught at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health since 1992. He is the co-editor (with Lisa Berkman and Maria Glymour) of *Social Epidemiology*, published by Oxford University Press (new & revised edition 2014). He has edited a number of other books, including *Neighborhoods and Health* (Oxford University Press, 2003); *Globalization and Health* (Oxford

University Press, 2006); *Social Capital and Health* (Springer, 2008); the *Oxford Handbook of Public Health Practice* (Oxford University Press, 2013), and *Behavioral Economics and Public Health* (Oxford University Press, forthcoming). His current NIH-funded research is focused on the longitudinal impacts of community social cohesion/social capital on functional recovery after the March 11, 2011 Great Eastern Japan earthquake and tsunami. In 2013, he launched a massive, open online course (MOOC) through HarvardX called *Health and Society* (PHx 201), in which 38,000 participants registered from around the world. Kawachi serves on the Editorial Board of *American Journal of Epidemiology*. He is an elected member of the Institute of Medicine of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences.