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Carmen Tomasello, Beatrice Hendren,
and Dean Petersen

College of Public Health Holds Successful Flu Shot Clinic

Together, the College of Public Health and the Hillsborough County Health Department administered 1440 free flu shots to the USF community, their friends and family, and the general public this past Friday, November 4th. We were joined by USF Health Students from the Colleges of Medicine and Nursing, who administered the shots. Dr. Karen Liller and Ms. Ellen Kent send out their thanks to all who participated and all those who helped make this event a success!

College of Public Health to Host Next Synergy Social on November 18th

The College of Public Health, in conjunction with USF Health's International Programs Office, will be hosting the next synergy social. The topic of the social is Global Health. The synergy will provide a unique opportunity for all faculty active or interested in global health to meet one another, discuss potential research collaboration, and enjoy a social time (with food and drink). The event will be held on Friday, November 18th from 4-6 pm in the College's atrium. All faculty are invited to participate. Please contact Ms. Susan James, Coordinator, USF Health's International Programs at 974-7235 with questions. If you are interested in attending this event, please RSVP to Ms. Wendy Morales at wmorales@hsc.usf.edu.

USF Health's Annual Faculty and Staff Service Awards Banquet Held on November 1st
The USF Health Faculty and Staff Service Awards Banquet was held on November 1, at the Wyndham Harbor Island Hotel. This banquet serves to recognize individuals who have served the college for more than five years. Congratulations go out to the following employees from the College of Public Health for their years of service: Dr. Ann DeBaldon-25 years of service; Ms. Magdalene Argiry and Dr. Marti Coulter-20 years of service; Drs. Hendricks Brown, Karen Liller, Jim Studnicki-15 years of service; Drs. Ray Harbison, Charlie Mahan, Skai Schwartz, and Wayne Westhoff, Ms. Sandra Miller, Ms. Jennifer Purcell, and Ms. Robin Suggs-10 years of service; Mr. Brijesh Amin, Mr. James Cook, Mr. Joseph Cundiff, Mr. Ned Fayson, Ms. Mary Geary, Ms. Dwanna Gregory, Ms. Mylene Kellerman, Ms. Diane McCluskey, Mr. Robert Nesbit, Ms. Robin Preston-Wright, Ms. Janna Rolfe, Ms. Marianne Tutwiler, Drs. David Darr, Robert Pavlik, Charlene Vespi, and Yuan Wang-5 years of service.

NIH Rolls Out Electronic Grant Submission

Stacks and stacks of grant application packages on paper will soon be a thing of the past at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) as it readies to receive grant applications electronically through the federal portal of Grants.gov, marking a major change in the way it has traditionally conducted its grants submission business. NIH's electronic submission timeline is available at <http://era.nih.gov/ElectronicReceipt>. For more information please go to: http://www.asph.org/press/fridayletter/article_view.cfm?FLE_Index=2816&FL_Index=1384. From ASPH Friday Letter #1384.

EPB Weekly Seminar - November 9, 2005 - 12:00-1:00 pm, Room 1023 COPH
Wei Wang, Ph.D. presents: "Prevention of Antisocial Personality Disorder and Drug Abuse with a First Grade Intervention: Substantive Findings and Methodological Problems"

Check Out the Florida Public Health Review

There are several new postings in the *Florida Public Health Review* (<http://publichealth.usf.edu/fphr>) that may be of interest to faculty, students, alumni, and friends of the College of Public Health.

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New Course Offering for Spring 2006

PHC6934 - Social Justice, Equity, and Children's Rights-A Safari into the determinants of children's health and values of American health care. This course will be limited to 24 students. Faculty teaching the course: Dr. Peter Gorski, Professor, Department of Community and Family Health, and Dr. Steve Freedman, Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics, and Department Political Science, USF. For information please contact Lisa Ravenscroft at 974-3728.

>>Students



Teri Malo Receives Award

Congratulations go out to Teri Malo, COPH Doctoral Student, received an Hispanic-Serving Health Professions School/CDC Conference Award!

Undergrad Students Receive Research Grants!

Two undergraduate students working with Dr. Heidi Kay have received research grants in the amount of \$500.00 each. Alok Nath Pandya received an award for his project, "Efficacy of a colloidal silver solution in the reduction or elimination of fungal growth on a species of tomato plant". Glenn Harris received an award for his project "Production of vitamin enriched slow release dolomite fertilizers". The \$500.00 awards were distributed by the Office of Undergraduate Research and their work will be submitted for consideration at USF's Undergraduate Research Symposium to be held in April, 2006. Congratulations to Alok Nath and Glenn!

New Student Service Events:

American Heart Association (AHA) Walk: November 12, starting at 8 am at the St. Pete Times forum in downtown Tampa. To join the HSC Service Corps team, go to <http://heartwalk.kintera.org/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=95247>.

National Memory Screening Day: Nov. 15, 2005, 9 am - 3 pm at the USF Psychiatry Center, 3515 East Fletcher Avenue, MDC-14. For information see <http://www.nationalmemoryscreening.org/>. To sign up please contact: Yvonne Bannon, RN, MSHS, CCRC, at 974-2832 or ybannon@hsc.usf.edu.

Great American Teach In: November 16, during school hours. Please contact Ellen Kent, MPH at ekent@hsc.usf.edu to sign up to teach any time that day!



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Information on Student Research Program

Feel free to check out your new bulletin boards upstairs (located next to the copy center) with student service and research opportunities, and you can also pick up handouts at the display boards downstairs in the snack area, or stop in and say hi to Ellen Kent, MPH, Coordinator Student Research Grants and Coordinator HSC Service Corps, in room 2023. Students may also look at the web site at <http://www.hsc.usf.edu/ahc/hcsevents.html>

Students are encouraged to apply for the COPH Student Research Scholarship (SRS) awards again this year. The deadline date will be Monday, January 23, 2006, see website at <http://publichealth.usf.edu/officeresearch/srsawards.html>. For more info on the SHARP awards, go to <http://publichealth.usf.edu/officeresearch/sharp.html>. For more info on additional internal (USF) and external funding opportunities for COPH students, go to <http://publichealth.usf.edu/officeresearch/fundingopps.html>. Students are welcome to contact Ellen Kent, MPH, Coordinator, Student Research Grants, with specific questions at ekent@hsc.usf.edu or, feel free to stop by and say hi to Ellen in Room 2023!

Global Health Field Experience Debriefing
Tuesday, December 6 from 10-11 am in COPH 1122.

Health Policy and Management Field Experience Debriefing
Friday, December 9 from 10-11am in COPH 1122

EPI/BIO Field Experience Debriefing
Friday, Nov. 18 from 11 am-noon in COPH 2003

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Report from the Center for Leadership in Public Health Practice Funding

The [Florida Center for Public Health Preparedness](http://www.fcpdp.org) (FCPHP) received its notice of designation and funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The Center is Florida's only comprehensive CDC-funded preparedness center. The award is for the second year (September 1, 2005 through August 31, 2006) of a five year award. The yearly award is for \$1,094,805. Dr. Michael Reid is the Principal Investigator. Co-investigators are Dr. Danielle Landis and Ms. Nadine Mescia from the Center, Dr. Lisa Brown from the Florida Mental Health Institute, and Dr. Michael Haney and Dr. Douglas Holt from the Florida Department of Health.

Training: The [Florida Center for Public Health Preparedness](http://www.fcpdp.org) will present three training programs on November 14-15, 2005 in Gainesville:

Disaster Behavioral Health First Aid Specialist Training (B-FAST) which provides public health workers and other healthcare, mental healthcare, emergency response, education and community professionals with knowledge and skills to recognize and respond to the initial behavioral health needs of disaster survivors and rescuers, and to promote behavioral wellness through interventions for individual and community resilience and recovery.

Disaster Behavioral Health First Aid Specialist Training with Children (C-FAST) which builds on the knowledge and skills presented in B-FAST by focusing on the initial disaster behavioral health needs of children and adolescents.

Field Investigator Response and Surveillance Training (FIRST) which prepares Florida Department of Health professionals and their community partners to respond in the event of an epidemiological surge capacity event. FIRST presents basic epidemiological terms and concepts, provides instruction and practice in effective interviewing skills, and presents generic information and exercises about disease outbreak investigations.

The FCPHP has conducted these programs in locations around the state in order to provide Florida professionals easier access to them. To date in 2005, a total of over 900 people have attended the programs in the following number of deliveries: B-FAST: 11; C-FAST: 9; and FIRST: 9.

The three programs were also scheduled to be held in Orlando on October 24-25, but were canceled due to Hurricane Wilma. They will be rescheduled in early 2006.

For more information about FCPHP and its programs, see <http://www.fcpdp.org>

Leadership Institute: Hurricane Wilma looming in the southwest did not prevent the 10th class of the [Public Health Leadership Institute of Florida](http://www.phlif.org) from taking part in the following leadership development workshops at the 5 day October session at DaySpring:

- Leadership and Leadership Theories
- Personal and Organizational Vision Development
- Leading with Soul
- Emotional Intelligence
- Team Building

The next PHLIF session is the series of "Crisis Leadership" workshops scheduled for January in Sarasota. For more information about the PHLIF, please contact Center Co-Director Dr. Danielle Landis at (813) 974-8147 or visit its web site at:

<http://www.hsc.usf.edu/PUBHEALTH/clphp/phlif/>

>> Faculty

Dr. Peter Gorski Gives Keynote Address

Peter A. Gorski, M.D., M.P.A. gave the keynote address on Social Capital and Children's Health at the Community-Based Research conference of the USF Collaborative for Children, Families and Communities at the Children's Board of Hillsborough County on November 3, 2005.

Dr. Peter Gorski Co-Chairs Planning Meeting

Dr. Gorski co-chaired the inaugural strategic planning meeting of a new Society dedicated to international research and advocacy related to equity, justice, human rights and children's health. The invitational meeting took place in Chicago, Illinois on October 24-25 and was attended by representatives from the U.S., Canada, Great Britain, Sweden and Argentina.

Dr. Wolfson Speaks at two Recent Events

Dr. Jay Wolfson was the Distinguished, Keynote Speaker at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Psychiatry and Law, held in Montreal, Canada on 26-29 October. His presentation was "Clear, Convincing and Competent Evidence in the Schiavo Matter".

Dr. Jay Wolfson was the luncheon speaker for the Hillsborough County Bar, Health Care Section on 2 November 2005, speaking about "The Clinical and Legal Issues in Schiavo".



>>Administration

Important Time Sheet Information

Time sheets and Time logs for the pay period 10/7/05-10/20/05 will be due to CPH-HR by Friday, October 14, 2005. Employees using the old forms for time sheets and time logs will not be accepted. If you need a new time sheet or time log, please contact Amy Tinkler at astahlbe@hsc.usf.edu.

We're approaching the holiday season, and that means time sheets and time logs will be due earlier than usual. Please take note of the following dates in which time logs & time sheets are due; failure to submit time sheets & time logs by the following dates may result in a delay of receiving your pay check:

11/4/05-11/17/05 (Holiday 11/11) - DUE Tues., 11/8/05
 11/18/05-12/1/05 (Holidays 11/24, 11/25)-DUE Weds, 11/23/05
 12/2/05 - 12/15/05 - DUE Thurs, 12/8/05
 12/16/05-12/29/05 (Holidays 12/23, 12/26)-DUE Mon, 12/19/05

Alumni

Update on Chodaesessie Wellesley-Cole Morgan, Ph.D., M.P.H.
 Chodaesessie recently earned her PhD from the College of Public Health. She is now employed as Administrator & Health Services Research Manager, Center for Child and Family Health Services Research/Division of Community Pediatrics, Institute for Health, Policy & Evaluation Research, Duval County Health Department, 515 West 6th Street, Room 308, MC-05, Jacksonville, FL 32206. Telephone: 904-357-5803
 Fax: 904-357-5805, Email: Chodaesessie_Morgan@doh.state.fl.us

Please submit news/information to Peggy Smith
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Links of Interest

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Council on Education for Public Health Releases Draft of Revised Procedures Manual

A draft revised Procedures Manual, available for download on the CEPH Web site at <http://www.ceph.org/>. From ASPH Friday Letter #1385.

Important Dates

Upcoming USF Holidays (COPH Will Be Closed)

November 11 - Veteran's Day
 November 24, 25 - Thanksgiving Holiday
 December 23, 26 - Christmas Holiday
 December 30 and January 1, 2006 - New Year's Holiday

Friday, November 18, 2005 - Deans Public Health Lecture Series
 12:00-1:00 pm - City of Knowledge Faculty Panel
 Prof. Jorge Arosemena. Executive Director, City of Knowledge, Panama - *City of Knowledge: Creating a Synergy for International Academic and Technology Development*
 Eduardo Ortega, M.D. Research and Development Coordinator, Institute for Scientific Research and High Technology Services (INDICASAT) - *INDICASAT: a biotechnology platform for tropical disease research in Panama*
 Arlene Calvo, Ph.D., Director, Health Research International
Health Research International: Clinical Research Opportunities in Panama

Friday, November 18, 2005
 International Health Synergy Social, College of Public Health
 4:00-6:00 pm

Friday, December 9, 2005 - EOH Field Experience Debriefing
 9, 11am-noon, EOH conference room (CPH 1108)

Friday, December 9, 2005 - CFH Field Experience Debriefing from 9-11am in CPH 2016

APHA 133rd Annual Meeting & Exposition is being moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, **December 10-14, 2005**. Updates will also be posted to the APHA Web site (www.apha.org).

Mandatory Field Experience Orientation

Spring Domestic Field Experience Orientation: **January 5**, 11 am - noon, Distance Learning Studio (COPH 2004).
 Spring International Field Experience Orientation: **January 5**, 12:30-1:30pm, Distance Learning Studio (COPH 2004)