



>>TAKE NOTE

Tampa Bay Business Journal - 2006 Health Care Heroes Finalists Announced
Join us in celebrating the Heroes of the Health Care Industry. The Tampa Bay Business Journal and event sponsors Fowler White Boggs Banker PA and Mag Mutual proudly present the 2006 Health Care Heroes Awards at the Hyatt Regency Downtown Tampa, on the evening of Thursday, October 5th. These health care professionals, who have earned the distinction of being named a finalist of the 2006 Health Care Heroes Awards, have made and continue to make a significant impact on the quality of health care in their community. We hope you will be able to join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of these true Health Care Heroes. To register to attend the event please go to:

<http://tampabay.bizjournals.com/tampabay/event/2659>. Jodi A. Ray - Project Director Covering Kids & Families, USF Lawton & Rhea Chiles Center for Healthy Mothers and Babies is a finalist in the Community Outreach category and Karen "Kay" M. Perrin, PhD, MPH, RN - Associate Professor/Director of Academic Affairs, USF College of Public Health is a finalist in the Health Care Educator category. Congratulations go out to Jodi and Dr. Perrin.

USF College of Public Health to Host Annual Reception at APHA Meeting
The College of Public Health will be hosting its annual reception at APHA on Tuesday November 7th from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. The event will be held at the Seaport Boston in the Seaport B room. We hope to see all of you who are going to APHA there!

>>Administration

Please Welcome A New Employee

Please welcome a new employee for the Center for Biological Defense, Cynthia Bucher. Cynthia is a Biological Scientist. She joined us on 9/22/06.

Communication to PERT Certifiers for Summer2006 (5/6/06-8/6/06) - Certification Deadline is Friday, October 27, 2006

The *SUMMER 2006 PERT* effort reports are currently under review and will be released as soon as they have been verified by HR and Research Compliance. At this time you will need to make sure that you can access GEMS - Self Service without any problems. The instructions for accessing GEMS - Self Service is noted below:

Access to PERT reports

You may access the PERT system and your effort report via:

Through GEMS/GEMS Self Service:

<https://gems.fastmail.usf.edu/psp/gemspro/?cmd=login>

You will need your userid (**11 digit emplid**) and password. If you don't remember your ID and password, or if your password has expired, you can get the information by contacting the IT helpdesk

<<http://itsupportservices.custhelp.com>> or send request to helpdesk@admin.usf.edu <<mailto:helpdesk@admin.usf.edu>> or by contacting Betty Persky.

Please remember it could take up to 24 hours to have your password reset and obtain access to your PERT report. If you are having problems accessing GEMS, please contact Betty Persky at 974-4609.

Thank you for all of your assistance on this very important compliance request.

>>Students



Student research and funding opportunities: The comprehensive web site of student research at: <http://publichealth.usf.edu/officeresearch/fundingopps.html> provides links to COPH student funding opportunities at the COPH, USF, as well as external private foundations and federal funding agencies. The monthly internal COPH Student Honorary Award for Research and Practice (SHARP) (see <http://publichealth.usf.edu/officeresearch/sharp.html>) provides financial assistance to University of South Florida College of Public Health (COPH) students who are traveling to present and/or compete at a state, regional, national, or international professional meeting/conference. The annual Student Research Scholarship award (<http://publichealth.usf.edu/officeresearch/srsawards.html>) provides funding for degree-seeking COPH students to carry out research for their special project/thesis or dissertation. Handouts are also available at the display in the snack area. Feel free to contact Ellen Kent, Coordinator of Student Research at ekent@health.usf.edu if you have any questions!

Student Service: The USF Health Service Corps is a great way in which you can become involved in interdisciplinary service activities with other USF Health students. Check out the web site of Fall service events at <http://www.hsc.usf.edu/ahcc/hcsevents.html> and the updated calendar at <http://my.calendars.net/servicecorps>. Handouts are also available at the display in the snack area. Feel free to contact Ellen Kent, Coordinator for the USF Health Service Corps at ekent@health.usf.edu if you have any questions or suggestions!

Congratulations to Jason Salemi

Jason Salemi was nominated by USF faculty for the Successful Latino/a Student Award and upon the recommendation of the selection committee you have been selected to receive the Successful Latino Student Award for 2006.

Kim Rogers, Karyn Jackson and Jill Weber Participated in Health Literacy and Health Education Activities



Jill Weber with Student sponsored by PHSA and USF Health Service Corps. COPH students who are interested in participating in health literacy and health education activities next Sat. Oct. 7th at the Multicultural Festival and Health Fair at the Brandon Community Center can contact ekent@health.usf.edu for directions.

COPH Students Kim Rogers, Karyn Jackson and Jill Weber participated in health literacy and health education activities with children at the Pizzo Elementary School Fall Fest, Friday Sept. 29th. The COPH students also provided information to children's parents about the COPH's academic programs and the upcoming flu shot drive (Oct. 27th). This event was



Kim Rogers with Student



College of Public Health

Date: 10/2/2006

>>Faculty

Congratulations to Dr. Lisa Simpson

Dr. Simpson was recently elected to a four year term to the Board of Directors of AcademyHealth, the professional association for health services and policy researchers.

Dr. Lisa Simpson has Articles Published

Dougherty D; Simpson L, MB, McCormick MC. Rural Areas and Children's Health Care Coverage, Use, Expenditures, and Quality: Policy Implications. *Ambulatory Pediatrics* 2006; Vol 6(5): 241-264.

Chevarley FM, Owens PL, Zodet MW, Simpson L, McCormick, MC. Health Care for Children and Youth in the United States: Annual Report on Patterns of Coverage, Utilization, Quality, and Expenditures by a County Level of Urban Influence. *Ambulatory Pediatrics* 2006; Vol 6(5):265-267.

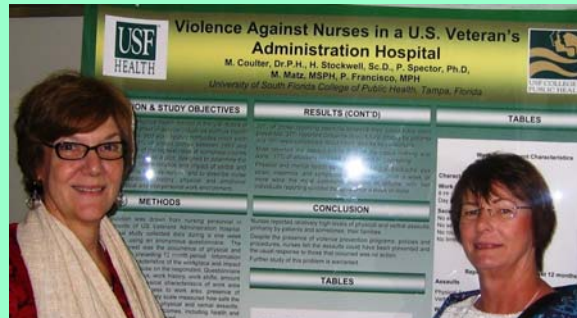
Dr. Michael Reid Receives Notice of Grant Award

Dr. Michael Reid, Department of Environmental and Occupational Health, received notice of a grant award from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to support the Public Health Leadership Institute of Florida. The award is for \$13,195.00 for the period October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007.

Drs. Coulter, Nembhard, O'Rourke, Stockwell and Zhu Represent COPH at the 11th World Congress on Public Health

Dr. Marti Coulter (CFH) and Drs. Wendy Nembhard, Kathleen O'Rourke, Heather Stockwell and Yiliang Zhu (EPB) represented the College of Public Health at the 11th World Congress on Public Health in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil this August. Drs. Coulter, Stockwell, Spector and colleagues presented the poster "Violence against nurses in a US Veterans Administration hospital". Dr. O'Rourke and colleagues presented the poster "Design and evaluation of an intervention promoting multivitamin use among postpartum Hispanic women". Dr. Zhu and colleagues presented "Determinants of School Children Health Insurance Coverage in a Rural/Suburban District in Beijing".

>>Global Scene



Drs. Coulter and Stockwell at the 11th World Congress on Public Health

This August Dr. Marti Coulter (CFH) and Drs. Wendy Nembhard, Kathleen O'Rourke, Heather Stockwell and Yiliang Zhu (EPB) represented the College of Public Health at the 11th World Congress on Public Health held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The theme was: "Public Health in a Globalized World: Breaking down Social, Economic and Political Barriers" and was held jointly with the 8th Brazilian Conference on Collective Health. As the first time the World Congress on Public Health was convened in South America, according to Dr. Stockwell, "the worldwide response to this meeting was extraordinary." Although approximately ten thousand public health professionals were expected, over 13,000 participants registered—Ministers of Health, national and international health managers, teachers, researchers, (including the College of Public Health faculty members) for conferences, debates and poster displays.

October events—

Wednesday, Oct 4, 4- 5:15 pm, BSN 2208, Persistent Organic Pollutants in the Environment, Foday Jaward, Environmental and Occupational Health.

Monday, Oct 9, 4 pm COPH auditorium 1023-A-Dr. Moussada Jalal, former Interim Minister of Women's Affairs, Afghanistan on video, with Anne Richter, public health commentator with over 30 years MCH experience in Africa, Asia



(including Afghanistan) and the United States: Maternal Health and Women in Afghanistan; with Susan George, President, Tampa Bay UN USA announcing a scholarship to study medicine in Afghanistan in the name of Dr. Jalal and a scholarship for an international student to study Global Health at USF (medicine, nursing or public health).

Tuesday, Oct 17, 10-11:30 am, College of Business Auditorium, new business wing - H.E. Professor George A. Obiozor, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria: US, Nigeria and Africa: Challenges in HIV/AIDS, Darfur, and international trade.

Tuesday, Oct 24, 4-6 International Opportunities at the COPH Networking Fair, COPH atrium.

>>Alumni Updates

Update on LaShonda Coulbertson

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Important Dates

Wednesday, October 4, 2006 - 12:00 pm

EPB Seminar - Dr. Wendy Nembhard Presents: "What is the effect of fetal growth on risk of pre-term birth for black, white and Hispanic infants with congenital heart defects?". COPH 1023-C - Auditorium

COPH Career Development Events

October

17 5-6pm, The Ins and Outs of Networking (COPH 2022)

24 4-6pm, Fall Networking Fair (COPH Lobby and Atrium)

Contact npreston@health.usf.edu for more information.

Friday, October 20, 2006 - 12:00 pm

Dean's Public Health Lecture Series - Dr. Fleda Mask Jackson, Visiting Assistant Professor, Behavioral Sciences and Health Education Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, presents "In Search of Calming Waters: Stress and Health Disparities Among African American Women".

Links of Interest:

[Directory of Grants and Fellowships in the Global Health Sciences](#)

[Meetings, Courses and Training Opportunities](#)

[Calls for Proposals](#)