



Weekly Newsletter July 31-August 4, 2023

PQHS NEWS

WELCOME TO PQHS



Welcome to PQHS! The Division of Preventive and Behavioral Medicine is pleased to introduce Dr. Hannah Stevens, who is a postdoctoral fellow. Dr. Stevens is on a T32 training grant (Prevention And Control of Cancer: Training for Change in Individuals and Systems), and she will be working with Dr. Elise Stevens. She is interested in health communication, specifically issues of identity and media bias, emphasizing ways media messages shape health disparities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Tuesday, August 1, 2023, 10:30-11:00AM in AS9-2072

CPHR Comprehensive Project Presentation: "Examination of Country of Birth and Trouble Sleeping in Residents of the United States"

Presented by – Gretchen Weaver, BA, MPH

Click [here](#) to join.



Monday, August 7, 2023, 2:00-2:30PM

CPHR Comprehensive Project Presentation: "Trends in operative vaginal delivery, 2014-2021: a population-based study"

Presented by – Lael Ngangmeni, BA, MBS

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Wednesday, August 9, 2023, 9:00-9:30AM in AS9-2072

CPHR Comprehensive Project Presentation: "The association between the burden of COVID on nursing homes and behavioral symptoms among nursing home residents with dementia"

Presented by – Shiwei Liang, MA, MS

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Thursday, August 10, 2023, 11:30-12:00PM in AS9-2072

CPHR Comprehensive Project Presentation: "Association Between Social Deprivation Index and Functional Limitation"

Presented by – Emmanuella Asiedu, BS, MPH

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Tuesday, August 29, 2023, 1:30-3:00PM

CPHR Dissertation Proposal Presentation: "Improving Women Veteran's Experience of Obstetric Care"

Presented by – Lael Ngangmeni, BA, MBS; Mentor: [Kristin Mattocks, PhD, MPH](#)

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Wednesday, October 18, 2023, 10:00-11:30AM
Leveraging Community Engagement To Address Behavioral Health Disparities In The Deaf Community

Featured Speakers – [Melissa Anderson, PhD, MSCI](#) and [Alexander Wilkins, PhD](#)
 Click [here](#) to register.



MASS CHAN REMINDER



NIDDK has issued two RFAs seeking to solicit projects that will form a consortium aimed at using diverse data types to improve subclassification of T2D. In particular, these RFAs solicit projects that will make use of large and diverse U.S.-based cohorts with large number of individuals with T2D. More information can be found in the published RFAs here:

RFA-DK-23-019: Integration of Novel Measures for Improved Classification of Type 2 Diabetes
<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-23-019.html>

RFA-DK-23-020: Integration of Novel Measures for Improved Classification of Type 2 Diabetes – Biostatistics Research Center
<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-23-020.html>

The receipt date for these will be October 26, 2023.



UMass Chan Medical School's [Office of Communications](#) is initiating regularly scheduled opportunities where faculty, staff, and students can have a professional headshot taken. Photos are taken every other Wednesday from 9 AM to 3 PM on the fifth floor of the Sherman Center by the elevators. Each session caps at 50 people. Anyone at UMass Chan can sign up using this document found on the SharePoint site. See updated link for new options: [Photo Sign-Ups \(office365.com\)](#)

PQHS Weekly will be sent to all members of PQHS on Monday mornings. The intent is to provide a snapshot of what is going on that week in PQHS and to share our faculty and staff activities with the department. We depend on you to provide the items we need to share. Please send suggestions of events, faculty invited seminars & talks, honors, student thesis presentations, and news – new babies born! – to Kellie (kellie.armstrong@umassmed.edu) & Sarah (sarah.yeboah@umassmed.edu) by Friday each week.