

Weekly Newsletter May 15-19, 2023

PQHS NEWS

UPCOMING EVENT

Tuesday, May 16 – 9:00 – 10:00 AM

Research Meeting – **Presenter:** WebENAR presenter: [Sarah J. Ratcliffe](#), PhD, University of Virginia School of Medicine; and discussant: [Bruce A. Barton](#), PhD, Professor, PQHS, Director of QMC, UMass Chan Medical School

Title: WebENAR discussion (**part II**): Statistical Issues in Responsible Conduct of Research

Brief Description: Technology has made it easier to share and analyze data. As statisticians, we are responsible for the data that is in our “custody,” and how it is used. This WebENAR will discuss some of the ethical issues that arise in collaborative research, the importance of reproducible analyses, and the impact that both can have on “good science.”

Click [here](#) to join or call 646 876 9923 Meeting ID: 851 294 7151 **password: smm2020**

WELCOME TO PQHS



Deogwoon Kim, PhD, RN, recently joined UMMS as a post-doctoral fellow in global health research after completing her Ph.D. in nursing at the University of Massachusetts-Boston. Her Ph.D. dissertation study was focused on the willingness for the self-sampled HPV screening test among women in Malawi. Deogwoon will work with Dr. Bo Wang on implementation of evidence-based interventions for HIV prevention in The Bahamas, Thailand, and Zambia. Deogwoon will also be involved in the Test-To-Treat project in the Department of Medicine. Dr. Apurv Soni serves as her co-mentor.

PQHS HOT TOPICS



Seun Osundolire who will defend his PhD Thesis Defense titled ***Descriptive Epidemiology of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease In US Nursing Home Residents with Heart Failure*** on May 22, 2023 at 9:30am held in AS9-2072. Seun is mentored by [Kate Lapane, PhD](#).

Congratulations to [Bo Wang, PhD](#) for being invited to serve as a Member of the Science of Implementation in Health and Healthcare Study Section (SIHH), Healthcare Delivery and Methodologies Integrated Review Group (HDM), CENTER FOR SCIENTIFIC REVIEW (CSR), for a term beginning 07/01/2023 and ending 06/30/2027.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Monday, May 22, 2023, 3:30-5:00PM

CPHR Dissertation Proposal Presentation: “Care Integration, Supportive Housing, and Outcomes for Medicaid Accountable Care Organization Enrollees with Behavioral Health Conditions” Presented by Meagan Sabatino, BA, MSL; Mentor:

[Matthew Alcusky, PhD, PharmD](#)

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Tuesday, May 23, 2023, 10:30-11:30AM

CPHR Dissertation Proposal Presentation: “Multimorbidity and the Cancer Trajectory of Older Adults with Multiple Myeloma” Presented by Atinuke Oyinbo, BSc, MPH;

Mentors: [Mara Epstein, ScD](#) & [Kate Lapane, Ph.D.](#)

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Friday, June 2, 2023, 3:00-4:30PM

CPHR Dissertation Proposal Presentation: “Factors Contributing to Psychiatric Medication Discontinuation During Pregnancy: A Preconception Perspective”

Presented by Clevanne Julce, BS, MPH; Mentor: [Nancy Byatt, DO, MS, MBA](#)

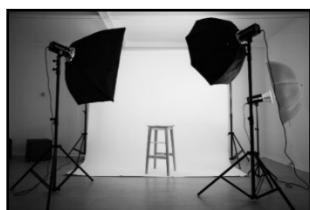
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MASS CHAN REMINDER



UMass Chan Medical School encourages employees to “Take a Break” – Use Your Excess Vacation Leave by June 17th. As we get closer to fiscal year end, we want to remind you of the [UMass Chan Vacation Policy](#) and maximum accruals so you can plan accordingly.

As of the last full pay period of the fiscal year, the maximum number of vacation hours employees may carry over into the next fiscal year is 240. During the fiscal year, employees are allowed to accrue hours over 240; hours over this accrual limit are automatically re-set in the payroll system to the accrual maximum. **This year, the relevant pay period ends June 17, 2023. Accordingly, we encourage you to use any vacation balances over 240 that exceed the 240-hour maximum before that date.**



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.