alumni hall of fame: the 2011 inductees

The UCLA School of Public Health Alumni Hall of Fame was established in 2002 to honor alumni with outstanding career accomplishments in public health, as well as those who have volunteered time and talent in their communities in support of public health activities. The 2011 inductees, recognized February 2 at the school’s 50th Anniversary Gala, exemplify the school’s commitment to teaching, research and service.

This year’s inductees were honored in two categories: Lester Breslow Lifetime Achievement and Young Alumnus Achievement.

LESTER BRESLOW LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

ROBERT BLACK, M.D, M.P.H. ’76
Black is the Edgar Berman Professor and Chair of the Department of International Health and director of the Institute for International Programs at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. He has been a leader in research and the development of evidence-based policy to reduce child deaths in the developing world resulting from infectious diseases and under-nutrition. Black received the 2010 Programme for Global Paediatric Research Award for Outstanding Contribution to Global Child Health in honor of his research achievements.

Downing recently retired as president/CEO of Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System, an integrated network of health care programs, services and facilities on California’s central coast. He started at Salinas Valley Memorial in 1972 as an assistant administrator and had held the CEO position since 1985, overseeing a transition from a small rural hospital to a major health care system. Downing was also chairman for 17 years of Beta Healthcare Group, the largest provider of hospital malpractice coverage in California, and served as an adviser to the Clinton administration.

KATHRYN HALL-TRUJILLO, M.P.H. ’76
Hall-Trujillo is the founding director of Birthing Project USA, a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the birth outcomes for women of color by providing practical support during pregnancy and for one year after the birth of their children. The Birthing Project model has been replicated in nearly 100 communities in the United States, Canada, Central America and Africa. Hall-Trujillo was previously founding director of the Center for Community Health & Well-Being, a holistic health and social service agency that houses a comprehensive women’s health care clinic, including substance abuse services.
ARThUR SOuTHAM, M.D., M.B.A., M.P.H. ’84
As executive vice president of health plan operations for Kaiser Foundation Health Plan and Kaiser Foundation Hospitals, Southam has national responsibility for marketing, sales, product development and administrative services. Before joining Kaiser in 2001, he served as CEO of Health Systems Design and CEO of two California health plans, HealthNet and CareAmerica. Southam serves on the National Commission on Prevention Priorities and was a member of the Institute of Medicine’s Committee on the Quality of Health Care in America, contributing to the widely cited publications To Err is Human and Crossing the Quality Chasm, on patient safety and how to improve the quality of U.S. health care.

TONI YANCEY, M.D., M.P.H. ’91
Yancey, professor of health services and co-director of the UCLA Kaiser Permanente Center for Health Equity at the UCLA School of Public Health, serves on the board of the Partnership for a Healthier America, where she supports First Lady Michelle Obama’s “Let’s Move” campaign. Her book Instant Recess: Building a Fit Nation 10 Minutes at a Time was recently published by the University of California Press. Yancey’s primary research interests are in chronic disease prevention, with a focus on organizational practice and policy change, and adolescent health promotion. She returned to academia full-time in 2001 after serving as director of public health for the city of Richmond, VA, and as director of chronic disease prevention and health promotion for the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

PETER LONG, M.P.H. ’08, PH.D.
In July 2010, Long became president and CEO of Blue Shield of California Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Blue Shield of California. He previously held leadership roles at the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation and The California Endowment. Long has extensive experience working on health policy issues at the state, national and global levels. Among his previous positions, he has served as executive director of the Indian Health Center of Santa Clara Valley in San Jose, CA, and as a legislative analyst for the National Progressive Primary Health Care Network in Cape Town, South Africa, during the country’s transition to democracy.

PREVIOUS INDUCTEES

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Donna Bell Sanders, M.P.H. ’81
Lisa Bohmer, M.P.H. ’94
Diana M. Bonta, R.N., M.P.H. ’75, Dr.P.H. ’92
Linda Burhansstipanov, Dr.P.H. ’74, M.P.H. ’72
Virginia A. Clark, Ph.D. ’63
Francine M. Coeytaux, M.P.H. ’82
Suzanne E. Dandoy, M.D., M.P.H. ’63
Paula Dierh, M.S. ’67, Ph.D. ’70
D. Peter Drotman, M.D., M.P.H. ’75
Betsy Foxman, M.S.P.H. ’80, Ph.D. ’83
Ignacio Ferrey, M.P.H. ’04
Mark Gold, D.Env. ’94
Harold M. Goldstein, M.S.P.H. ’89, Dr.P.H. ’97
Raymond D. Goodman, M.D., M.P.H. ’72
Richard A. Goodman, M.D., J.D., M.P.H. ’83
Nancy Halpern Ibrahim, M.P.H. ’93
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Kenneth W. Kizer, M.D., M.P.H. ’72
James W. Le Duc, Ph.D. ’77, M.S.P.H. ’72
Stanley Lemeshow, Ph.D. ’76
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Nicola Monastersky Madaras, M.P.H. ’03
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Jean Le Cerf Richardson, M.P.H. ’71, Dr.P.H. ’80
Keith S. Richman, M.D., M.P.H. ’83
Pauline M. Vaillancourt Rosenau, Ph.D., M.P.H. ’92
Jessie L. Sherrod, M.D., M.P.H. ’80
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Barry R. Waterstein, D.Env. ’88
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Zunyou Wu, M.D., Ph.D. ’95, M.P.H. ’92
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