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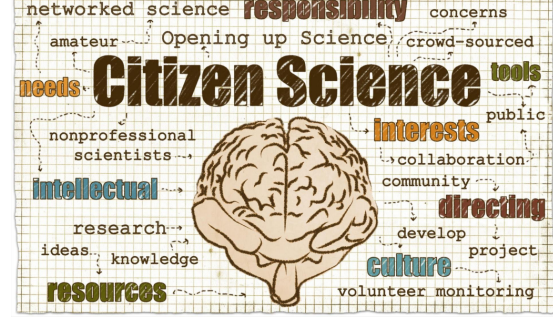
To Mask or Not to Mask?

Dr. Donald Milton, an aerosol scientist who has been studying how respiratory viruses spread between people for more than 25 years, answers questions about mask wearing, the Delta variant threat, the reopening of schools and more.



Leadership Matters

Craig S. Fryer takes the helm as chair of the SPH Department of Behavioral and Community Health.



Should 'Citizen Science' Be Rebranded?

Sacoby Wilson and colleagues explore issues of inclusion in citizen science in *Science* magazine and recommend strategies for better including populations underserved by science in research and policy making.



Increasing COVID-19 Vaccine Access and Confidence Among LGBTQ+ Populations

Cynthia Baur and Jessica Fish lead new COVID-19 Vaccine Communications Project funded by a CDC supplement to the UMD Prevention Research Center.



Healthier Diets Associated With Decreased Exposure to BPA, but Not BPA Substitutes

Devon Payne-Sturges and colleagues explore dietary quality and risk of exposure to endocrine-disrupting chemicals used in food packaging.



Understanding the Sexual Health Needs of Youths Experiencing Homelessness

Elizabeth Aparicio and colleagues explored the interpersonal, intrapersonal and structural factors impacting the sexual and reproductive health of young women (18-25) and recommend strategies to guide programs and policies around birth control access and selection.

PHILANTHROPY IN ACTION



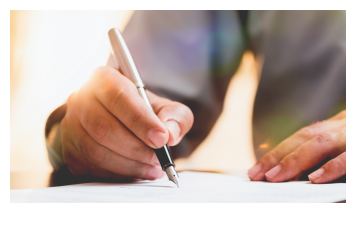
New Gift Will Support Family Therapy for Underserved Communities

With a new gift from Bonnie Beavers, the Jeanette Spier Beavers Endowed Memorial Scholarship will continue to support graduate students enrolled in the Couples and Family Therapy Master's Program who are committed to working in underprivileged communities.



Support the Center for Healthy Families Gift Account

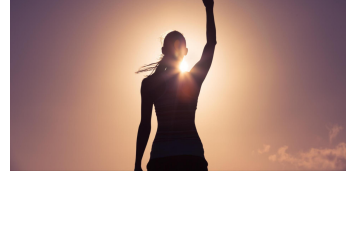
Your gift to the Center for Healthy Families, based in the Department of Family Science, supports one of the largest mental health service providers in Prince George's County. The center provides excellent training for our Couple and Family Therapy students, positively impacts diverse families, and assists with meeting needs for mental health services for our campus community.



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From changing the lives of students to advancing our critical research, you have the power to leave a legacy for future generations at SPH. Costing nothing during your lifetime, a gift through your will or trust can maximize your generosity, provide for your family and create beneficial tax advantages.

STUDENT AND ALUMNI NEWS



Anna Posbergh PhD '22 Awarded AAUW Fellowship for Research on Gender and Sports

Posbergh, a kinesiology doctoral student, received the \$20,000 American Association of University Women Dissertation Fellowship.



Global Public Health Scholars Launch Podcast

Students in the GPH Scholars program have launched a podcast series. The latest episode, **Minds on Menstruation: Let's Talk Menstrual Health**, includes an interview with SPH Professor Amy Sapkota. New episodes on Fridays on the [GPH Scholars YouTube channel](#).

SPH IN THE NEWS

Meet Maryland's Secret Weapon In The Battle To Close The Latino Vaccination Gap

NPR | July 7, 2021
Features UMD School of Public Health's Neil Jay Sehgal

Barber Battles Conspiracy Theories, Urges Clients to Get COVID-19 Vaccine

US News | July 7, 2021
Features UMD School of Public Health HAIR/Shots at the Shop program participant Mike Brown

Barbershops and Hair Salons Are Enlisted in COVID-19 Vaccine Push

Wall Street Journal | July 4, 2021
Features UMD School of Public Health's Stephen Thomas

Vaccinated US Health Experts are Wearing Masks Indoors as the Delta Variant Spreads

Business Insider | July 2, 2021
Features UMD School of Public Health's Don Milton

Mental Health Law Named For Congressman Jamie Raskin's Son Takes Effect

WAMU/NPR | July 1, 2021
Features UMD School of Public Health's Liz Aparicio

The 'Double Closet': Why Some Bisexual People Struggle With Mental Health

NY Times | June 30, 2021
Features UMD School of Public Health's Jessica Fish

HAPPY AND WELL



The Well Terp

This week's tips include information on sun safety and developing a growth mindset.

Find tips for healthy and happy living in our weekly feature, The Well Terp.

[Read The Well Terp](#)



Some Good News | Campus Advocacy Advances New Equitable and Inclusive Zoom Update

Students, faculty and staff in the School of Public Health and across UMD successfully advocated to ensure that one's Zoom display name is retained and pronouns can be added (instead of having to re-enter one's name and pronouns each log in). You can add your pronouns and update your display name at <http://umd.zoom.us/>. Read more about how removing this barrier positively impacts trans and nonbinary students, faculty and staff, as well as words from key figures from the UMD LGBT Equity Center, the UMD-Prevention Research Center and more who worked on this request.

[Read Some Good News](#)

Our *HAPPY & WELLNESS INITIATIVE* shares "Some Good News" from the SPH and our extended community, inspired by *SGN: Some Good News* with John Krasinski. You can submit your own good news by email to: happyandwell@umd.edu.

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EVENTS

This is Public Health Virtual Fair

Wednesday, July 14 | 9:00 am - 4:00 pm EST

7th Annual UMD Environmental Justice and Health Disparities Symposium

Thursday, August 19 — Saturday August 21 | 10:00 am - 6:00 pm EST



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