GPHAP News - February 12, 2024

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Upcoming Events

Throughout February | How to celebrate Black History Month 2024 at UChicago - Based on themes of Black History Month | More Info Here

Upcoming Events:

Feb. 15: Quilting workshop

The Divinity School and the Smart Museum of Art are co-sponsoring a quilting workshop inspired by the work of influential artist Faith Ringgold. During the workshop, Smart Museum staff will lead participants in a reflection on the relevance of quilting and creative arts to African American spiritual life. Participants will have the opportunity to create a collaborative collage "quilt" that will be displayed in Swift Hall. (We will count this event as a GPHAP co-curricular - with the usual 250-word write-up - so you can consider how spirituality is connected to health while participating in a Black History Month event.)

Feb. 17: Symposium on mental health and wellness
The Crown Family School of Social Work, Policy and Practice will host an event that will examine the barriers and stigmas surrounding mental health and wellness in the Black community, with a particular focus on Black men.

Celebrate Black History Month

In celebration of Black History Month, the University of Chicago welcomes the community to engage in conversations through lectures and public talks, musical performances, film screenings, and more. Explore these events throughout February in the Upcoming Events section of this newsletter.

Medicaid Leadership Exchange - A Podcast by CHCS and NAMD

Check out the Medicaid Leadership Exchange Podcast in the Recorded Events section of this newsletter. This podcast series features discussions with Medicaid directors on priority topics related to leading state agencies.

Save the Date! GPHAP Alumni/Student Reception

Mark your calender and come network with GPHAP alumni and fellow GPHAP students at our annual networking reception on Tuesday, April 9th.
"Validating social network-based estimates of adult mortality with high-quality vital records: Evidence from 27 Cities" - Wealthy countries have high-quality vital statistics about basic demographic events, such as births and deaths. Poor and middle income countries, however, often lack civil registration systems and therefore have vital statistics that are substantially less accurate or even entirely unknown. This lack of information complicates efforts to monitor, understand, and improve health for some of the world's most vulnerable people. In this paper, we focus on survey-based methods for estimating a fundamental demographic quantity: annual adult death rates by age and sex. We offer the first-ever direct validation of two methods: the sibling method (the most widely used method) and the network method (a promising new alternative). Presented by Dennis Feehan, Assistant Professor, Department of Demography, UC Berkeley.
for GPHAP Students. GPHAP will cover this for you IF 1) you actually attend the conference, and 2) you do the 250 word write-up and submit it as a co-curricular.

Recorded Events

Medicaid Leadership Exchange - A Podcast by CHCS and NAMD

The Center for Health Care Strategies is partnering with the National Association of Medicaid Directors to produce Medicaid Leadership Exchange. This podcast series, features discussions with Medicaid directors on priority topics related to leading state agencies. The conversations offer candid insights into leadership strategies that have worked — and those that have not worked — straight from Medicaid directors themselves. Click here for the series info.

This initial episode, "Aligning for the Good of Medicaid Members" offers insight into atypical cross-sector partnerships that offer great potential to align for better outcomes, such as state budget offices and legislators. The episode is hosted by Karen Seaver Hill, director of leadership development, National Association of Medicaid Directors (NAMD). She is joined by Gretchener Hammer, MPH, principal, Public Leadership Group and consultant, NAMD; Kate McEvoy, executive director, NAMD; and Mark Larson, senior vice president, leadership and capacity building, Center for Health Care Strategies (CHCS).

Recorded Lectures

Many of the lectures listed in the GPHAP Weekly Digest are recorded and archived for later listening. You can look back to see if there are recent lectures that interest you, and they can count as GPHAP co-curriculars. Here are links to archived lectures.

CHAS Michael Davis Lectures
https://chas.uchicago.edu/events/mdl/
MacLean Center for Clinical Medical Ethics lectures
https://www.youtube.com/user/MacLeanCenter
Harvard School of Public Health Forum lectures
https://theforum.sph.harvard.edu/events/
Bowman Society Lectures
https://pritzker.uchicago.edu/resources/bowman-society
MATTER Health Events
https://matter.health/events
Health Affairs Podcasts - an hour's worth of content
https://www.healthaffairs.org/podcasts
KHN's 'What the Health'? - an hour's worth of content
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health: The Forums and Voices in Leadership
https://theforum.sph.harvard.edu/events/covid-19-women-and-health/

GPHAP Social Media

GPHAP has a Facebook Group for Current Students and Alumni. Go to Facebook and search for The UChicago Graduate Program in Health Administration & Policy or click on: https://www.facebook.com/groups/gphap/

There is a LinkedIn Group for GPHAP Alumni, and current students are welcome to join. Click on this link or go to LinkedIn and search for “GPHAP” and Request to Join. The site is a great source for updates on GPHAP Alumni. Job Opportunities also are posted there by the GPHAP Office and by GPHAP Alumni.

GPHAP has a Twitter feed @UCgphap.

GPHAP’s Website is: https://gphap.uchicago.edu

Join the WhatsApp GPHAP Social Group. Students can reach out to see who is going to GPHAP events or to provide info about other activities. Contact Laura Botwinick for the link to join.