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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

7/2011 – Present **Medical Consultant, NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene**

- Bureau of Tobacco Control
 - Advise on BTC's policy, clinical, and educational interventions, ensuring conformity with current evidence and best practices
 - Devise innovative strategies to deliver population cessation interventions through direct mail, the internet, email, text messaging, and other media
 - Assist with the development, preparation, and review of materials and manuscripts for publication

7/2009 – 6/30/2011 **Preventive Medicine Resident, NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene**

- Bureau of Vital Statistics
 - Helped create criteria to measure nonspecific coding resulting from death certification of MV deaths
 - Published manuscript highlighting efforts published in Traffic Injury Prevention
 - Presented work at NYC Medical Examiner Grand Rounds & International Conference on Urban Health
 - Plan to submit manuscript on interventions that reduced over reporting of heart disease (in internal review)
- Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
 - Abstracted and analyzed data on pregnant, lead-poisoned women who report pica behavior
 - Plan to submit manuscript for journal publication (currently in internal review)
- Division of Environmental Health & Bureau of Tobacco Control
 - Explored and summarized potential policy and non-policy options for water pipe / hookah control
 - Performed literature review on health effects and wrote internal review paper
 - Plan to submit policy position statement for journal publication (currently in internal review)
- Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Use, Prevention, Care, and Treatment
 - Drafted public comment in response to alcohol changes for 2010 Nutritional Guidelines, Alcohol screening in older adults (for CMS)
 - Performed outbreak investigation of Levamisole-contaminated cocaine
 - Contributed to City Health Information on screening and brief intervention for all NYC physicians
 - Contributed to a summary of the literature around alcohol and aggression
 - Helped supervise youth groups to pilot Alcohol in Your Environment media literacy project
 - Helped design methodology, instruct participating class, create walking maps, conduct walks, and analyze data for alcohol ad count study comparing 30 NYC zip codes, presented unique methodology at GIS Day 2011
 - Scheduled publication of Epidemiology Data Brief and associated detailed report in May 2011
 - Investigating child abuse association with alcohol outlet density using linear mixed model regression
 - Provided descriptive aggregate alcohol outlet data to be added to the DOHMH environmental portal
 - Created physician survey to assess prescribing practices of Buprenorphine, plan to help analyze data
- Other
 - Helped develop content for web-based project submission site for PH / Preventive Medicine Residency
 - Developed competency in SAS, GIS, and STATA with various projects and coursework
 - Conducted 2 informational talks on H1N1 in 2009 for community board and home care agency directors
 - Conducted 3 talks on public health for medical residents and medical students
 - Career panelist for the Health Research Training Program (H RTP), Summer 2010
 - Took 6 weekend calls to respond to provider and patient calls on various issues
 - Treated patients in Jamaica Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) clinic once a week for 5 months
 - Shadowed Occupational Medicine physicians for one month at Mt. Sinai
 - Treated patients in tuberculosis clinic once a week (February 2011 – April 2011)
 - Shadowed in Bellevue Smoking Cessation Clinic once a week (May 2011)

6/25/2008 – 6/30/2009 **Internal Medicine Intern, Beth Israel Medical Center, NYC**

- Year-long internship in Internal Medicine
- Spent 6 week elective with Medical Director of Quality Management and Patient Safety
- Helped update new blood management guidelines and validated a computer model allowing monthly feedback
- Assessed the inpatient state of anticoagulation, performed literature review, and prepared house staff presentation
- Investigated Cardiothoracic Surgery length of stay post CABG

6/20/2007 – 7/27/2007 **NYC Office of City Wide Health Insurance Access, Health Policy Intern**

- Contributed to Eligible for Public Health Insurance but Not Enrolled (EPHINE) report
- Analyzed Brennan Center's Unregulated Work in the Global City with recommendations for future insurance outreach

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- Produced briefs on malpractice insurance and primary care, NYS and Utah health status and insurance variations

7/2002 – 3/2004

Lafayette Urban Ministry Weekend Coordinator, West Lafayette, IN

- Directed volunteers in providing a safe, efficient, and nurturing environment for the homeless
- Stayed at the shelter overnight and encouraged the homeless to strive to succeed on a regular basis
- Volunteered as tutor for underprivileged children during after school program

EDUCATION

8/2009 – 5/2011

Columbia Mailman School of Public Health, New York, NY (award date 5/17/11)

Masters in Public Health, General Public Health Track

Coursework: Program Evaluation, Epidemiology I – III, Biostatistics I, Categorical Data Analysis, Applied Regression I, Research Design and Survey Development, Large Scale Data Analysis, Health Economics, Environmental Health Economics, Environmental Health, Issues and Approaches to Health Policy and Management, MH Policy, Managing PH Nonprofits, Intro to International Development, Epidemiologic Research Methods of Measuring Human Rights Abuses, Water and Sanitation in Complex Emergencies

8/2004 – 5/2008

New York University School of Medicine, New York, NY

Medical Degree, Primary Care Public Health Scholar

8/2000 – 5/2004

Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

Bachelor of Science in Biology, Biochemistry Concentration

Honors: Alpha Epsilon Delta Premedical Honors Society, Dean's list 2000-2004

INTERNSHIPS & ELECTIVES

8/2006 – 9/2006

NYC DOHMH, Bureau of Emergency Management Elective

- Conducted Operations Section Survey to analyze Incident Command System infrastructure and execution
- Attained Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) 100, 200, 700 course certification

9/24/2007 - 10/19/2007

California State Department of Public Health Elective

- Produced systematic literature review report on worksite health promotion in hospital settings

11/2004 – 9/2005

Center for Immigrant Health, Center for Studies of Asian American Health

- Helped organize NYC Taxi Drivers Health Fair to provide primary care, low cost or free referral information, insurance enrollment, oral health screenings, vision screenings, cardiovascular screenings, educational pamphlets
- Organized and participated in oral health screenings
- Assisted with planning and execution of 2nd Annual Asian American Health Conference

6/2004 – 8/2004

Breakthrough Collaborative also known as Summerbridge Miami

- Taught Chemistry, Physics, and Poetry to underprivileged middle school students, chaired Science Department

6/2003 – 8/2003

Breakthrough Collaborative also known as Summerbridge Atlanta

- Taught Science, French, "Why Be Good" elective to underprivileged middle school students

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

5/2010 – 5/2011

New York Cares, Volunteer

- Volunteered with children living in Jackson Ave transitional housing
- Recorded digital audio books for blind and dyslexic

Spring 2005 – July 2010

Alliance for Preventive Health, Secretary/Board Member

- Set up important community heart disease screenings with insurance enrollment in underserved communities
- Helped attain Brick Award (\$10,000), Citizens for NYC - Entrepreneur Award 2006 (\$2,500),
- Edited and developed materials for chapters and website (<http://www.afph.org>)

5/2005 – 5/2008

South Asian Health Initiative (SAHI), Board Member

- Volunteered and recruited volunteers for over 20 health-related screenings for South Asian community

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6/2007 – 4/2008

AMSA Preventive Medicine (PM) Interest Group Initiator, Coordinator

- Initiated interest group to promote PM as a residency/fellowship option
- Created content for comprehensive new interest group website (www.amsa.org/preventive)
- Managed listserv and sent out “PM Tidbit of the Week” weekly, among other relevant info

Spring 2005 – 5/2008

Primary Care Public Health Scholar (PCPHS) Track at NYU Med School

- Completed and presented project on Readability and Suitability of Common Pediatric Outpatient Handouts
- Spearheaded first regional Community Public Health Institute (CPHI), an intense 3 day conference to expose students to PH speakers and workshops to help their theoretical or existing projects
- Received Arnold P. Gold Foundation Grant (\$2,500) and AMSA local project grant (\$500)
- Developed and presented regional CPHI model, poster, and toolkits at national and regional meetings
- Co- Facilitated 2nd and 3rd Annual Region II CPHI, aided planning team

11/2007 – 5/2008

Research Assistant, Pediatrics Department NYU School of Medicine

- Measured and compared Readability using Readability Plus software and Suitability Assessment of Materials of NYC DOH, AAP, CDC handouts
- Presented research at Saul J. Farber Public Health Student Lecture to multidisciplinary audience
- Helped collect data for abstract on Factors Associated with Overweight Status in Low SES Children

4/2005 – 4/2006

American Medical Students Association Co-President (NYU chapter)

- Spearheaded first ever regional AMSA Community Public Health Institute (CPHI)
- Co-authored resolutions on individual physician tracking and mandatory reporting of children’s HIV status
- Helped increase awareness and support for the Health Care Security Act and the Save the VA campaign
- Attended Political Leadership Institute in Washington, DC to learn about health policy
- Lobbied on Capitol Hill with scheduled meetings with representatives regarding Medicare part D
- Organized successful Bone Marrow Drive with the Asian Student Union

2/2005 – 2/2006

New York City Free Clinic (NYCFC) Co-Grant Writer, Volunteer

- Volunteered in clinical and nonclinical roles, aided fundraising committee with date auction and comedy show
- Helped secure Langeloth Foundation Grant (\$80,000), Vogler Grant (\$2,500), Brick Award (\$10,000)

1/2005 – 9/2005

Co-Chair of Student Tsunami Aid Group (STAG)

- Helped organize successful benefit raising \$10,000, raffle raising \$3,000, and clothing drive

9/2005 – 4/2006

Ghana Reconstructive Plastic Surgery Calendar Team Member

- Raised \$7,000 and awareness for Ghana reconstructive plastic surgery efforts via calendar sales

9/2004 – 4/2006

Homeless Health Advocates Vice-President, Volunteer

- Traveled to local homeless shelter monthly or bimonthly and facilitated health discussion on a focused topic

AWARDS

- Future Leaders of Preventive Medicine Award, Feb 2008 by American College of Preventive Medicine
- Saul J. Farber Public Health Research Award, Spring 2008
- NYU President’s Service Award, Spring 2006 – Volunteerism & Community Service (individual)
- Youth Leadership Award, Fall 2005– 2nd Annual Asian American Health Conference

PUBLICATIONS

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