

Bio for Harlan Juster

Harlan Juster became manager of the Tobacco Surveillance, Evaluation, and Research team for the NYS Department of Health in 2000, coordinating and conducting evaluation studies at the state and local level, overseeing tobacco surveillance systems, and conducting applied public health research studies that contributed to the science of tobacco control. In May this year, he became Director of the Bureau of Tobacco Control which administers the comprehensive Tobacco Control Program comprised of local and statewide contractors, health communications, the NYS Smokers' Quitline, and a robust independent evaluation. Prior to working in public health, he was an Associate Director of the Center for Stress and Anxiety Disorders at the University at Albany where he coordinated and managed NIMH-funded randomized controlled trials for the treatment of anxiety disorders. He has published peer-reviewed articles on the impact of statewide and local clean indoor air laws, improving efficacy and efficiency of telephone quit lines for smoking cessation, and outcome evaluations of various tobacco control interventions. Harlan Juster earned his Ph.D. in Psychology from the University at Albany in 1985 and is a Licensed Psychologist in New York State.