



California Department of Public Health Preventive Medicine Residents 11-12



Dr. Cora Hoover obtained her MS/MD degree from the UC Berkeley/UCSF Joint Medical Program in 2000. She trained as a family physician at Sutter Medical Center in Santa Rosa, CA, and has practiced family medicine since 2003 in safety net clinics in the Bay Area. She obtained her MPH from UC Berkeley in 2010. Dr. Hoover's practicum placement is at the San Mateo County Department of Public Health. Her research and public health practice interests include the health implications of policy decisions outside the health realm, chronic disease prevention, immigrant health, health disparities, and occupational health. She also has a strong interest in promoting the teaching of public health in medical education as seen by her co-authorship of a public health Problem-Based Learning case that became part of the Joint Medical Program curriculum.

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Preceptor - Dr. Scott Morrow*



Dr. Heather Tindall Readhead is located at the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. She completed her family medicine residency at Columbia University Medical Center/New York Presbyterian Hospital. She received her MD from Penn State University and her MPH in Community Health Sciences from the University of California at Los Angeles. Dr. Readhead has worked as a family physician in several primary care settings, including a residential drug and alcohol rehabilitation program and a community health center serving an inner-city Latino immigrant community. Prior to pursuing her medical and public health training, she taught science at a public middle school in Los Angeles County. Her interests include health policy, evidence-based medicine and public health practice, family planning, communicable disease control, improving health disparities, and public health education for physicians and other providers. Her goals include a public health career and participation in academic medicine as both a preventive medicine and family medicine physician.

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Preceptor - Dr. Jeffrey Gunzenhauser*



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Dr. Benjamin Bristow is located at the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. He received his MD and MPH in Epidemiology from the University of California at Los Angeles. He also received his Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (DTM&H) from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. Dr. Bristow has worked as an expedition medic in Nicaragua and as a volunteer physician in Malawi and Guatemala. His previous research has focused on health disparities related to congenital cytomegalovirus infection in the United States. His interests include communicable disease control, especially concerning the relationship between poverty and tropical infectious diseases, as well as, public health emergency preparedness for vulnerable populations. His goals include advanced training in applied epidemiology, participating in global health field work and a career in public health within the State of California.

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Preceptors - Dr. Ellen Alkon, Dr. Jeffrey Gunzenhauser and Dr. Alonzo Plough*



Dr. Marie Denise Green obtained her medical degree from the "Universidad Autonoma Metropolitana" of Mexico and was trained as a general pediatrician at Flushing Hospital Medical Center in New York. Dr. Green received her MPH degree in community-oriented primary care from George Washington University. Dr. Green has great interest in community involvement and empowerment and has participated in various researches involving underserved and immigrant populations. Her goal is to work at a community level within California to help strengthen our public health system.

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Preceptor - Dr. Wilma Wooten*



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Dr. Tanya Phares is located at the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. She received her D.O. from Western University of Health Sciences and her MPH in International Health from Tulane School of Public Health & Tropical Medicine. Dr. Phares has served as a research fellow at the CDC with the Division of Reproductive Health and the Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS). Her previous research has focused on health disparities and health behavior in maternal health. Her interests include women's reproductive health, international health and maternal & child health. Her goals include working as a medical director in a local health department.

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Dr. Byron Kennedy is located at the CDPH Tobacco Control Branch in Sacramento. Dr. Kennedy received his MD and PhD in Chronic Disease Epidemiology from Yale University and completed his internship in Family Medicine at Georgetown University. Dr. Kennedy will be focusing on gaining experience in public health policy, administration and research within Tobacco Control. He is interested in chronic disease and has published extensively on cardiovascular disease.

Stipend support by the CDPH Tobacco Control Branch and the Public Health and Health Services Block Grant. Preceptors -



Dr. Jillian Martin is located at the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. She received her MD from Boston University and her MPH from San Diego State University. Dr. Martin previously worked as a General Medical Officer in the US Navy and Marines, in which she was on active duty in Indonesia and Iraq. Dr. Martin will be focusing on public health policy, administration and research. She is interested in obesity and chronic disease prevention, as well as quality assurance.

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Dr. Carrie Jones' major project in the CDPH Cancer Registry was mapping colorectal cancer rates by legislative district. She also coordinated a Youth Substance Abuse Summit at Yolo County DPH. She is the Chair of the Yolo County Health Council. Dr. Jones has a background in educational psychology, and has done research in autism prior to joining our program.

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Dr. Timur Durrani's major project at the Los Angeles County DPH was a pilot study of a novel triage method to increase access while maintaining quality in the county STD clinic. Dr. Durrani completed a Family Medicine residency, is a member of the Army Reserve, and will be deploying to Afghanistan in August 2008 to work as a Preventive Medicine Physician in the Army.

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Dr. Aimee Sisson's major project at the Placer County DHHS was writing, obtaining and managing a California Endowment grant to build community capacity around air quality and asthma. She was located at the CDPH Asthma program working on the CDPH Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Plan. Dr. Sisson, who has a background in surgery and is a triathlete, currently works at CDPH as a Public Health Medical Officer II.

Stipend support by the Public Health and Health Services Block Grant. Preceptor - Dr. Richard Burton and Dr. David Nunez.