



## California Department of Public Health Cal EIS Fellows 11-12 and 12-13



**Fellow will complete training year Nov. 30, 2012.**

### **Jaspreet Samra, MPH**

Jaspreet is now in her second fellowship year and has been placed with the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD). She completed her MPH in Epidemiology & Biostatistics at USC. During her first fellowship year with CDPH Safe and Active Communities Branch, she worked in the Injury Surveillance & Epidemiology Section. While assisting with other Injury Control programs, her main project focused on monitoring and analyzing data for the FCANS (Fatal Child Abuse and Neglect Surveillance) Program's statewide Reconciliation Audit. Jaspreet's goals include advancing her academics in Public Health and being an epidemiologist serving at the state or national level.

*Stipend provided by the Office of Statewide Health & Planning Development.*

*Preceptor - Dr. Merry Holliday-Hanson*



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### **Tamerin Scott, DVM, MPH**

Tamerin completed her Doctorate in Veterinary Medicine from Western University of Health Sciences in Pomona, CA. She practiced small animal veterinary medicine in The Bay Area for two years while completing her Master's in Public Health from the University of Minnesota. Her interests are in zoonotic diseases, especially disease control and prevention in developing countries. Tamerin has also done a fair amount of international work in Morocco, Peru, South Africa, Thailand, Uruguay, and Mexico. After completing her Cal-EIS fellowship, she plans to get a fulltime veterinary public health job.

*Stipend provided by the Los Angeles County Department Public Health. Preceptor - Dr. Karen Ehnert*



### **Sara Sowko, MPH**

Sara is in her second fellowship year and has been placed with the Contra Costa County Public Health Communicable Disease Programs. Before entering the fellowship, she completed her MPH in Epidemiology of Microbial Diseases at Yale School of Public Health. During her first fellowship year, she worked on a wide variety of projects including: conducting outbreak and disease case investigations and outbreak investigations, helping generate relevant disease control and prevention suggestions, developing disease education materials and participating in infectious disease emergency preparedness planning activities. As an independent project, she conducted a retrospective review of all the reported pertussis cases in Contra Costa County during the California epidemic in 2010-2011. Sara's goals include furthering her academic knowledge in Public Health and serving as an Epidemiologist at the local or state level.

*Stipend provided by the Contra Costa County Public Health Department. Preceptors - Dr. Erika Jenssen & Dr. Wendel Brunner*



### **Tu My To, MPH**

Tu My received her MPH in Epidemiology from the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University. Her previous experience in public health includes interning at the Los Angeles County Public Health Laboratory and working with the Parasitic Diseases Branch at CDC to subtype *Cryptosporidia* species in samples from a pediatric cohort study. For her master's thesis, she analyzed the effectiveness and clinical impact of using the GenoType® MDRTB<sub>plus</sub> line probe assay (a rapid diagnostic test) to detect multi-drug resistant tuberculosis for routine testing in a mycobacteriology laboratory in Manila, Philippines. Tu My's goals include pursuing a career in infectious disease epidemiology at the state or federal level.

*Stipend provided by the CDPH Infant Botulism Treatment and Prevention Program (IBTPP).  
Preceptor - Dr. Haydee Dabritz*