



Weekly Newsletter July 22-26, 2024

PQHS NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS



Wednesday, July 24 – 10:00 – 11:00 AM

**Research Meeting –Title: Advanced Confounding Adjustment**

**Presenter:** Hassan Fouayzi, PhD, MS, MEng, Assistant Professor, UMass Chan Medical School

**Bio:** Dr. Fouayzi has extensive experience in large data management, advanced statistics, risk adjustment/predictive modeling, and econometrics/health economics. He has collaborated on numerous studies in health care services, health policy, chronic illness, pharmacoepidemiology, and drug safety. He serves as a technical liaison in multi-site research collaborations funded by NCI, AHRQ, CDC, and FDA. As a member of Dr Arlene Ash’s team, Dr. Fouayzi is also working on incorporating social determinants of health into global payments to ensure equity and efficiency in health care financing and delivery.

**Brief Description:** In this presentation, I will distill what I learned about Causal Modeling and

Advanced Confounding Adjustment in complex analytical settings in a recent course that I recently took (which is offered by Harvard).

Click [here](#) to join or call 646 876 9923 Meeting ID: 937 1668 5400 password: 492717



Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup> – 2:00-3:00PM

Tea Time will be hosted by the Executive Office. Please stop by, say hello and have a cup of tea.

PQHS SHOUTOUT



**Congratulations** to [ShaoHsien Liu PhD, MPH](#) on his promotion to Associate Professor. Dr. Liu proved to have an established record of scholarly activity, provided outstanding service to the department, the TH Chan School of Medicine and the community. Furthermore, he contributed considerably to the Medical School’s education mission. We congratulate him and express our sincere appreciation for his support of the Medical School.



The Precision Medicine Initiative<sup>SM</sup>

Check out this [article](#) from All of Us: The Future of Health Begins with You provides growing source for population health research with PQHS’s [Ben Gerber MD, MPH](#), [Feifan Liu, PhD](#) and [Mara Meyer Epstein ScD, ScM](#).

PQHS HAPPENINGS



**Sign up to have lunch with the Chair & Vice Chair!** There are still slots available to pick from. Lunch with the Chair and Vice Chair sign ups are first come first serve for 3 Faculty Members and 3 Staff Members each month to have to have a nice catered meal and to talk about anything, but *NO WORK TALK*. Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up for the date that works for you. Thank you!

Click [here](#) to sign up!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Thursday, August 1, 2024, 9:30-10:00AM in AS9-2072**

**PHS Comprehensive Project Presentation:** *"The Prevalence of Central Nervous System-Active Polypharmacy in Nursing Home Residents in the U.S. During the COVID-19 Pandemic."*

**Presented by:** Heeyoon Jung, BSN, MS

Click [here](#) to join.



**Thursday, August 1, 2024, 11:00-11:30AM in AS9-2072**

**PHS Comprehensive Project Presentation:** *"Evaluating the impact of opioid misuse on depression prevalence in a large national cohort."*

**Presented by:** Nathaniel Glassy, ALM, CCRC

Click [here](#) to join.



**Friday, August 2, 2024, 8:30-9:00AM in AS9-2072**

**PHS Comprehensive Project Presentation:** *"Associations between parent-perceived neighborhood support and healthy lifestyles and food security among children."*

**Presented by:** Claire Branley, BS

Click [here](#) to join.



**Friday, August 2, 2024, 11:00-11:30AM in AS9-2072**

**PHS Comprehensive Project Presentation:** *"Dietary Patterns and Metabolic Syndrome Prevalence Among US Young Adults: NHANES 2011-2018 Analysis."*

**Presented by:** Mary Lee, BS, MPH

Click [here](#) to join.



**Thursday, August 8, 2024, 10:00-10:30AM in AS9-2072**

**PHS Comprehensive Project Presentation:** *"Assessing the relationship between ethnic minority language barrier and depression among Spanish speaking Latinos living in US nursing homes."*

**Presented by:** Natalia Nielsen, MPH

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**Tuesday, August 13, 2024, 8:30-9:00AM in AS9-2072**

**PHS Comprehensive Project Presentation:** *"Association of everyday discrimination and sleep quality: data from the All of Us Research Program."*

**Presented by:** Hyelin Lee, BS

Click [here](#) to join.

## UMASS CHAN REMINDER

### Holiday Calendar for UMass Chan Medical School

#### Remaining Holiday Schedule for 2024:

- Labor Day – Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Indigenous Peoples' Day – Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup>
- Veterans Day – Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>
- Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>
- Day After Thanksgiving – Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>
- Christmas Eve – Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>
- Christmas Day – Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>





UMass Chan Medical School's [Office of Communications](#) is initiating regularly scheduled opportunities where faculty, staff, and students can have a professional headshot taken. Photos are taken every other Wednesday from 9 AM to 3 PM on the fifth floor of the Sherman Center by the elevators. Each session caps at 50 people. Anyone at UMass Chan can sign up using this document found on the SharePoint site. See updated link for new options: [Photo Sign-Ups \(office365.com\)](#)

*PQHS Weekly will be sent to all members of PQHS on Monday mornings. The intent is to provide a snapshot of what is going on that week in PQHS and to share our faculty and staff activities with the department. We depend on you to provide the items we need to share. Please send suggestions of events, faculty invited seminars & talks, honors, student thesis presentations, and news – new babies born! – to Kellie ([kellie.armstrong@umassmed.edu](mailto:kellie.armstrong@umassmed.edu)) & Sarah ([sarah.yeboah@umassmed.edu](mailto:sarah.yeboah@umassmed.edu)) by Friday each week.*