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A letter from the Alumni Board President

Dear Fellow Mailman Alumni:

First, I'd like to send a heartfelt "Congratulations!" to the graduating class of 2017 and welcome you to our alumni family. We are so proud of your accomplishments.



The Alumni Association had a productive and lively year. I'd like to share the alumni board's achievements this winter and spring. We launched the mentoring database, elected four new members, are producing the fourth issue of our signature publication, and continued our tradition of financial support of the Fund for Public Health Leadership. Also, this year we gave out the second Outstanding Recent Alumni Award.

Have a new project, job, award, or grant? We'd love to hear about it! Please send us your news for THE CLASS NOTES section of our newsletter. Send a few sentences and a photo (if you'd like) to emailman@caa.columbia.edu.



A lot of exciting events are being planned for the Fall. Stay tuned!

Finally, we have developed a survey to gather your feedback about this newsletter. We would love to hear what you love, like, or dislike and have your input into future issues.

## https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NNV2VV2

Have a wonderful summer. See you in the Fall! Warmly,

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Helen Edelberg, MD, MPH Proud Mom of Daniel (SEAS '19) and wife of Jay (SEAS '85)

## **SCHOOL PRIDE**









## Mailman Secures Two Seats at the Columbia Start Up Lab!

The Mailman School of Public Health offered alumni the opportunity earlier this year to apply to the Columbia Start Up Lab. The school has secured two seats for alumni to become part of 71 Columbia alumni entrepreneurs who will participate in the program. The Lab, which provides subsidized space, is located at WeWork Soho West. It includes ongoing workshops, office hours, networking events, and community building activities to help resident ventures advance their businesses. The Lab is the result of a unique partnership between the Deans of Columbia College and the Schools of Business, Engineering, Law, Public Health, and International and Public Affairs.

Palmer Rosen (MHA'15) and Sonali Nigam (MPH, Management '13) have been chosen to be part of the Start Up Lab. These teams/ individuals may spend up to one year in the space and at minimum must commit to a four month stay. The start date is June 5, 2017. Congratulations and we look forward to hearing about your successful ventures!

If you would like more information about the Start Up Lab please contact Beth Silvestrini tel: 212.305.9885 email: bs2520@columbia.edu

## **Committee Updates**

by Anette Wu, MD, MPH '08, PhD The mission of the Special Events Committee is to bring alumni and current Mailman students together by organizing networking, mentoring, educational and social events.

To see a full schedule of the schools events, see the following link:

Https://www.mailman.columbia.edu/ public-health-now/events

#### **HEALTH COLUMBIA ALUMNI AFFAIRS EVENT:**

On December 7, 2016, 92 alumni including 11 Mailman alumni from all Columbia schools gathered for the first health seminar at the Jerome L Greene Performance Space in Manhattan coordinated by the CAA. Panelists included Chair and Professor of Health Policy and Management Michael Sparer (HPM) who responded to questions on access to care and healthy living together with featured panelists including: Dawn Aubel 98NRS, '98PH, '16TC, Family Nurse Practitioner. Christie Lumsden '09TC, '13TC, Associate Research Scientist, Columbia University College of Dental Medicine and Rose Rodriguez '87NRS, '06NRS, Nurse Practitioner Program Director at Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital of New York. The seminar was moderated by: Samantha Elkrief '11SW, Health and Wellness Coach at Simply Samantha NYC



#### **TEACH-IN AT MAILMAN:**

On January 31, 2017, 850 faculty, staff, and students attended the Teach-In at the Mailman School. In anticipation of rapid-fire policy changes from the new administration in Washington, D.C., the Mailman School community joined together for "Evidence into Action," a daylong event to share scientific

Special Events Committee - Chaired knowledge and skills and to highlight the importance of public health going forward. Mary Bassett, Commissioner of the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, gave opening remarks to students, faculty, and staff. As public health braces for "an assault on all the protections and safety nets that many of us have been advocating for our entire lives," Bassett said, "it is important that we come together and confront these challenges."





The Teach-In can be watched through the livestream channel.

#### A Call to Action:

https://livestream.com/mailman/ action-opening/videos/147618927

## ACA, Medicare and Medicaid:

https://livestream.com/mailman/ action-aca/videos/147617883

#### **CHELSEA CLINTON BOOK SIGNING:**

On March 2, 2017, Mailman alumna and Adjunct Assistant Professor Chelsea Clinton, MPH, DPhil, and University of Edinburgh professor Devi Sridhar, DPhil, spoke at a sold-out event to an audience of current students and Mailman alumni on campus for the launch of their new book, Governing Global Health: Who Runs the World and Why? The event was followed by a book signing and reception.



#### **ADMITTED STUDENT EVENTS:**

For the third time in consecutive years, admitted students, current students, and Mailman alumni mixed and mingled in Washington, DC, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Boston, and New York City. This is a wonderful opportunity for our admitted students to hear first hand what it's like to be a student at Mailman and to learn about the benefits of earning a degree from the Mailman School of Public Health.

#### **SPRING NETWORKING:**

On April 5, 2017, 18 alumni and 50 current students attended the annual mixer at the Vagelos Education Center (VEC) building on Haven Ave. As an ice-breaker, students participated in a contest in which they were encouraged to approach alumni, introduce themselves, and collect a sticker from each alum with whom they spoke. Suzanne Kirkendall (MPH '18) collected the most stickers and won a \$25 Amazon gift card.



## **SCHOLARSHIP DINNER:**

On April 18, 2017 98 alumni and other donors met to celebrate the recipients of the MSPH fellowships. Opening remarks and thank you speeches were given by Dean Linda Fried, Thomas Campbell Jackson MPH '98 and Anum Lalani, MPH '17.



#### MARCH FOR SCIENCE

On April 22, 2017, Alumni Board Member Hannah Rosenzweig attended the March for Science in NYC with her mom, Columbia University Research Scientist Cynthia E. Rosenzweig and her daughter, Livia Benjamin Sol. Despite the rain, the crowd was great. Here is a few photof from the March. Go Science! Go Mailman!



Dr. Cynthia Rosenzweig and friends at the Science March in NYC

#### **DELAMAR SOCIETY COCKTAIL RECEPTION:**

On April 25th, 2017 Dean Linda Fried, Mailman Faculty, and 16 Alumni Board members celebrated alumni donors who are part of the DeLamar Society. DeLamar donors donate ≥\$500 per year.



**Mentoring Committee** - Chaired by Michelle Moses-Eisenstein, MPH '12. The mission of the mentoring committee is to create connections between students and alumni

The E-Coach program is well underway with 47 student users and 28 active coaches. The group has scheduled 100 scheduled appointments.

In March, the committee organized an HHS panel in DC. Panel presenters included staff from HHS Headquarters, HRSA, SAMHSA, and the National Institute of Health (NIH). Although an unexpected blizzard caused panel discussions to be canceled on March 13th, they were rescheduled and the majority were hosted as webinars and included: (Panelists in bold are Mailman alumni.)

- RespectAbility—Shona McLaughlin, Director, National Leadership
- Together for Girls, Meghana Kulkarni, Technical Monitoring and **Evaluation Manager**
- Battelle Memorial Institute, Kathy Lesh, Healthcare Quality Research
- Berlin Rosen, Shantha Susman, **Executive Vice President**
- DC Health Benefit Exchange Authority, Amanda Sussex, **Deputy Director, Small Business** Marketplace
- US News and World Report, Carrie Hulme-Lowe, Health Data Analyst
- Avalere Health, Eric Levine, Associate, Health Plans and **Managed Care**
- The Advisory Board Company, Julie Bass, Senior Consultant
- ICF International, Ali Goldstone, Associate and Matthew Dettman. Senior Associate
- MacFadden & Associates, Kara **Zinger, Senior Information Officer**
- University Research Co. LLC, Sara Riese, Senior Technical **Advisor, Implementation Research** and Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, and Child Health (RMNCH)
- USAID Global Health Fellows Program II/Public Health Institute, Angelina Gordon, Director, Communications, Outreach and **Diversity**
- Jhpiego Barbara Norton-Gill, Director, Human Resources
- Save the Children, Laura Cardinal, Director **Humanitarian Response**
- Alliance for Aging Research, Susan Peschin, President and CEO

#### Mentoring Committee continued

• NIH/NCI David Nelson, Director, Cancer Prevention Fellowship Program

The committee also had four successful site visits at Booz Allen, WHO/Pan American Health Organization, USAID and HHS. An alumni-student mixer was also held where 42 attended. In addition. 42 alumni volunteered to provide individual informational interviews to students. Several alumni also offered housing for students who couldn't afford hotels.

Our alumni have also given back in various ways by participating in the first Infectious Disease Alumni panel, the SSRH alumni panel, the EHS career fair, the UNICEF alumni webinar, the NYC DOHMH site visit, and many other employer presentations and site visits with alumni presenters.

We look forward to many more alumni activities and hope you will join us in person or online!

**Development Committee** – Chaired by Carlos Cuevas, MPA, MPH '12 The mission is to encourage alumni financial support of the school and its students.

#### Fund for Public Health Leadership and the DeLamar Society

Scholarship support is critical to the Mailman School's ability to attract and retain the most promising public health students without regard for their financial circumstances. Scholarship aid allows students to concentrate on their coursework without the provision of worrying about living expenses or the prospect of crushing student loan debt.

As of June 26, 2017, scholarship supporters have raised \$225,000 for the Fund for Public Health Leadership (FPHL), Mailman's major scholarship fund for students. The school's fiscal year ends on June 30th, and the alumni community is in its final fundraising push. Our goal is to raise over \$250,000 this year, which would provide over 25 partial scholarships to help future public health leaders access a Mailman education.

How can you help in our final push?

## **Committee Updates**

1) Please consider making a donation to the Fund for Public Health Leadership! Any amount will help us to reach our goal. <a href="http://bit.ly/2tyHXVJ">http://bit.ly/2tyHXVJ</a>

2) Consider making your donation in honor of a Mailman friend. If you have a friend with whom you haven't been able to connect because of multiple work and family commitments, consider making a donation in his or her honor to Mailman. Think of a \$20 donation to the Mailman scholarship fund in your friend's honor as equivalent to buying a round of drinks. Your friend will get a notification of your donation on his or her behalf -- and you'll be helping a good cause!

3) Consider joining the DeLamar Society DeLamar Society members are donors who contribute gifts of \$500 or more over the course of a year to FPHL. For around \$1.37 a day, you can make an immediate and profound impact on the life of a future public health leader. Joining the DeLamar Society gives you access to special Mailman events and it's a great way to give back. And becoming a DeLamar Society member doesn't require a lump sum donation. Mailman can help set up automatic monthly donations so that donations don't have to break your budget. For information about the DeLamar Society or other giving opportunities to benefit the School please contact Kim Peters email: kp2697@ columbia.edu or call 212.305.2115.

#### THE POWER OF SCHOLARSHIP **SUPPORT**

Donors can take satisfaction from knowing that 100% of their contributions will go directly to providing scholarship aid to a student, making an immediate and profound impact on the life of a future public health leader.

#### **DELAMAR SOCIETY RECOGNITION LEVELS**

**DeLamar Council** \$10,000 and up **DeLamar Circle** \$5,000 - \$9,999 **DeLamar Partner** \$2,500 - \$4,999 **DeLamar Fellow** \$1,000 - \$2,499

DeLamar Benefactor \$500 - \$999

**GUESS WHO IS COMING TO DINNER** IN 2017?

by Nina Rothschild, DrPH, MPH

Drumroll, please: the winner of the Allan Rosenfield Alumni Award for Excellence is...Sandro Galea, MD, MPH, DrPH. Dr. Galea, a member of the Class of 2003, is a global public health leader. He has published hundreds of distinguished research papers and several books and has been a highly articulate advocate for population health science. A member of the National Academy of Medicine and a past president of the Society for Epidemiologic Research, he has also received several prestigious national awards.

During his five years at Mailman as Chair of Epidemiology, Dr. Galea departmental transformed the infrastructure, crafted a mentoring program for junior faculty, created academic homes for students, and identified administrative support for funding initiatives. In order to expand the research horizons of the department, he brought in a number of young faculty members and inspired them to engage in challenging initiatives to enhance the department's international impact. Many of these scholars remain at Mailman today, while others have become Health Commissioners and global health leaders. Not content merely to enhance his own department, Dr. Galea also worked across departments and disciplines and was a major force in reimagining the MPH curriculum and constructing the multidisciplinary integrated core — a curriculum that is becoming a national model.

After five years at Mailman, Dr. Galea became Dean of the Boston University School of Public Health. Although Mailman faculty, alumni, and students regretted losing such a visionary department chair, they are proud of his extraordinary accomplishments and happy to have the opportunity to bestow the Rosenfield Award on someone whose global vision is commensurate with Dr. Rosenfield's.

Sandro Galea, MD, MPH, DrPH '03, the 2017 recipient of the Allan Rosenfield Alumni Award for Excellence



Please watch below, Dr., Galea's acceptance video from the Alumni Summit for Public Health Leadership

> Sandro Galea, MD, MPH, DrPH Dean and Robert A. Knox Professor Boston University School of Public Health

#### OUTSTANDING RECENT **ALUMNI AWARD**

The Mailman Alumni Board was also delighted to have the opportunity to bestow the 2017 Outstanding Recent Alumni Award on Benjamin Mason Meier, JD. LLM. PhD. Dr. Meier earned his BA in biochemistry at Cornell, his JD and LLM at Cornell Law School, and his PhD in Sociomedical Sciences from Columbia, where he was the PhD valedictory speaker. A real underachiever, he currently holds three appointments at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, including Associate Professor (with tenure) of Global Health Policy and he is also a Scholar at the O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health law at Georgetown University Law Center.

Dr. Meier's core interest in human rights, public health, and justice was strongly influenced by his grandparents who were Holocaust survivors and came to the United States as refugees in the 1950s. Among many examples of how his interest in human rights infuses his work is his initiation of a lecture series on human rights at Chapel Hill in 2012 to further global health discourse at the university. His commitment to human rights was also manifest in 2012 work with an ad hoc

committee of the Association of Schools of Public Health to revise the core competencies for graduate students and to incorporate human rights into the standard core curriculum for public health students. In addition, he is an active member of APHA and serves as the Health Law Section's Membership Chair and as Chair of the Human Rights Forum, enabling human rights to be showcased in the public health community.

As if these academic commitments weren't enough, Dr. Meier has served as an advisor to Sub-Saharan African organizations on developing rights-based policies. He worked, for example, with the Rwanda Ministry of Health and with the Global Campaign for Microbicides, and he is expanding his projects to include Latin America and South East Asia. While on sabbatical, he is working both domestically and internationally on human rights. He has partnered with the CDC on Global Health Security and is a consultant to the WHO, where he is helping to build human rights indicators to assist member states as they incorporate rights-based policies into their programming.

The icing on the cake is his ongoing commitment to Mailman: he has mentored at least 20 Mailman MPH and PhD students over the last several years since graduation and has remained close to our Alma Mater by working with current students and alumni at the post-doc level We salute his achievements and his commitment to his own institution and to ours.

Dr. Benjamin Meier with Dean Fried at the Alumni Summit for Public Health Leadership accepting the honor of Outstanding Recent Alumni Award



## **MAILMAN AWARDS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EXCELLENCE: LOOKING AHEAD TO 2018!**



The Mailman School of Public Health's Alumni Association has the privilege of selecting the recipients of two prestigious awards - the Allan Rosenfield Alumni Award for Excellence and the Outstanding Recent Alumni Award.

- The Allan Rosenfield Award was established in 2007 to honor Dean Rosenfield for his impact on public health. It is given yearly to an individual who exemplifies leadership in the field.
- The Outstanding Recent Alumni Award was established in 2016 to recognize recent alumni making strides to improve public health and providing service to the Mailman community.
- Solicitations for both awards in 2018 can be submitted online at www.mailman.columbia.edu/ information-for/news-events/ awards

To join a committee please email <a href="msphalum@columbia.edu">msphalum@columbia.edu</a>



NEW PROFESSORSHIP FOR PROFESSOR DUBOIS BOWMAN OF BIOSTATISTICS

Dr. DuBois Bowman is an internationally recognized scholar in the analysis of brain imaging data and other complex, large-scale data sets. Dr. Bowman has built an active research program involving the development of biostatistical methods for brain imaging data, including functional magnetic resonance imaging, diffusion tensor imaging, and positron emission tomography. His research spans numerous substantive areas including Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease, depression, schizophrenia, addiction, and aging, among others.

Dr. Bowman, Chair of the Department of Biostatistics, was formally installed as the Cynthia and Robert Citrone-Roslyn and Leslie Goldstein Professor on February 21, 2017. This is the first endowed professorship in Biostatistics and honors his achievements as an educator, researcher, and trailblazer in developing new research methods for brain imaging to improve population health. How did this endowed chair come about? Roslyn Goldstein, a member of the Mailman School Board of Overseers since 2015, is a prominent New York philanthropist. She introduced Dr. Bowman to Cynthia and Robert Citrone at a Mailman event. The Citrones and the Goldsteins were mutually inspired to make their generous donation in support of the Department.

Dr. Bowman joined the Mailman School as chair of Biostatistics in 2013. Since that time the department has built an evergrowing research program that develops biostatistical methods for brain imaging data. The Department has existing research strengths in analytic capabilities for big data - for instance, derived from hospital records, brain imaging scanners, smart phones, satellites, and genomics. His vision is to leverage these strengths to make Columbia a national hub for the mining, analysis, and development of novel methods for massive data sets to tackle major public health and medical problems. Dr. Bowman introduced a department-wide grant-writing program. As a result, the department has earned numerous grants to fuel new research.

## Mailman Alumni Profile

Meet Karinn Glover, MD, MPH '04

In each issue of E-Mailman, we profile the work of one or more Mailman alumni. This spring, Alumni Board member Alison Boyle spoke with Karinn Glover, Supervising Psychiatrist for the Mental Health Service Corps, an initiative of ThriveNYC.



KARINN GLOVER'S CAREER:

#### Tell us about your career path:

Although I always had an interest in healthcare, I initially pursued other career paths in publishing and marketing before enrolling in SUNY Downstate College of Medicine and at the Mailman School to complete an MPH in Population and Family Health as a Macy Scholar. After med school and my MPH, I completed my four-year residency in psychiatry and have been practicing ever since. Currently I am one of four supervising psychiatrists at the NYC Mental Health Service Corps, where I train and oversee a team of 13 social workers delivering evidence-based mental health support to medically complex populations. Before joining the Mental Health Service Corps, I served as the Director of the Mental Health Team for a multidisciplinary program for HIV+ individuals at Montefiore via the collaborative care model. I was also the VP of Black Psychiatrists of Greater New York & Associates, a multi-cultural organization that seeks to expand access to psychiatric care for people of African descent and all people who are under-served.

## What does a typical day look like for you?

After a strong coffee, I head to the Bronx to supervise Corps members individually. These are early career social workers who are providing short term psychotherapy in the primary care setting. We discuss the therapeutic modalities they're using, how the patients are responding to therapy, and I make medication recommendations, if necessary. This is a revolutionary kind of delivery of mental health services and I'm delighted to be part of it. It's super rewarding.

## What attracted you to a career in public health?

My parents and my grandparents made sacrifices in order to support future generations through their jobs in education and public health work in New York City. They showed me the importance of doing my part to give back and ingrained in me a deep commitment to helping the underserved populations in this city.

## Has there been a time in your career that comes to mind as a pivotal moment?

My first job out of residency was in primary care, a setting that dramatically shaped my understanding of how behavioral health can be delivered very effectively alongside internal medicine and other specialties. The model of behavioral health being "just down the hall" rather than across town in a mental health clinic remains a hallmark of how I administer and advise other practices to align their providers and resources in a shared facility.

# How do you try to impact new whitespace areas in public health delivery?

I have become very aware of the blind spots and biases that we all carry with us into the public health profession based on our own cultural and socioeconomic upbringing. They can guide us in both negative and positive ways, but in my teaching, I emphasize the importance of practitioners' ability to identify and understand

those influences, which are often unconscious. It opens up pathways.

## What do you see as the biggest challenge in public health?

Maintaining consistent and adequate program funding is a challenge for many public health programs. In addition to this financial hurdle, there are a myriad of practical challenges to find ways to extend treatment to help heal all dimensions of a patient's life circumstances and personal obstacles. We need to find ways to provide support beyond clinical treatment.

## What advice would you give to recent graduates?

Try to notice how your public health education complements colleagues with backgrounds in other disciplines, like medical clinicians or other professional disciplines. Consider ways you can use your background to influence their perspective and decisions while also learning from their background to grow and enhance your skillset.

## How about for mid-career public health professionals?

In my experience, I have found it really interesting and valuable to be in roles that allow me to see the public health arena from different perspectives and delivery models. I would tell midcareer graduates to be open to new and different career opportunities and possibilities.

## How do you like to spend your free time?

I love taking dance lessons. Years ago, I discovered community classes in Harlem, taught by professional dancers, which attract students of all ages, backgrounds and fitness levels. I also love taking hikes as a chance to step away from the city and clear my mind from the intense pace of the South Bronx.

If you know someone whose work in Public Health should be mentioned here please email Kim Peters at kp2697@columbia.edu



## COMMENCEMENT



This year's Mailman School commencement speaker was Ambassador Ertharin Cousin, the outgoing Executive Director of the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP). Ambassador Cousin put good health and food justice on the menu to celebrate our distinguished graduating Class of 2017 graduates while delivering the keynote address. on May 16, 2017.

"I'm thrilled that Ambassador Cousin accepted our invitation to speak at this year's commencement," said Dean Linda P. Fried. "Access to healthy food is an essential ingredient to good health and a key area of teaching and research. As the leader of the world's largest humanitarian organization, Ambassador Cousin, with her unwavering devotion to ending hunger, is an inspiration and an exemplary model of public health leadership and service."

Since 2012, Ambassador Cousin has led WFP, the world's largest humanitarian organization, in its mission to provide short-term hunger relief and to

champion long-term strategies to help communities become food secure. In her five-year tenure at the WFP, Cousin has led a staff of more than 14,000 in meeting urgent food needs in 80 countries while championing larger solutions to food insecurity and hunger and feeding 80 million people.

Ambassador Cousin has dedicated decades to fighting hunger. This year, hunger and food justice issues are playing as big a role as ever on the global front. A record of four countries face the specter of famine, while domestically, programs to relieve food insecurity are at risk of losing funding. Ambassador Cousin, with her dedication to ending hunger, is an exemplary model of public health leadership and service. In addition to her international work, she led one of the top domestic hunger organizations, Feeding America.

## CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2017... HERE'S TO YOUR FUTURE!



https://livestream.com/mailman/commencment 2017

# The ACA On the Road to Repeal and Replace?

By Stacey M. Cameron, JD, MPH '15

Since his days on the campaign trail, President Trump has promised his supporters that he would "repeal and replace" the Affordable Care Act at his first opportunity. After several attempts to introduce such legislation, President Trump and House Republicans finally secured a win: just outside of his first one hundred days in office as the forty-fifth President of the United States, the American Health Care Act was born. The bill, often called "TrumpCare," narrowly passed the House after several revisions by Republicans and is on its way to the Senate.



## WHAT WOULD TRUMPCARE REPEAL AND REPLACE?

The current version of the American Health Care Act allows health insurers potentially to charge more for preexisting conditions; gives them the ability to implement lifetime caps on patients with chronic illnesses; and would repeal the ACA's Essential Health Benefits requirement that insurers offer health care plans covering basic needs such as maternity benefits and care for mental illness. TrumpCare would effectively repeal Medicaid expansion and replace subsidies with age and income-based tax



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credits that would favor younger and wealthier individuals. TrumpCare would also remove the mandate that all individuals carry insurance or face a penalty.

## WHY SUCH A BUMPY ROAD TO REPEAL AND REPLACE THE ACA?

Republicans claim the ACA is dead -- unable to be revitalized with health insurers quickly leaving the exchanges. Across the aisle, Democrats cling to their deep concern for low to middle class Americans who, they believe, will find Trumpcare's rates to be too expensive with little offered in the form of basic, quality health care. Democrats also argue that TrumpCare would require enrollees to pay more money for less care and would abandon veterans, low income individuals, and the aging.

Many Americans, particularly within the public health community, believe in enhancing inclusiveness. The Congressional Budget Office (CBO), reported that the initial versions of TrumpCare would leave approximately twenty-four million individuals without healthcare by the year 2026. The bill on which the House recently voted was not scrutinized by the CBO, leaving many questions about the possible effects of the bill unanswered. Many Americans could now face the threat of losing health care coverage for themselves, their families, friends and members of their community.

## THE ALUMNI SUMMIT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH LEADERSHIP

Mailman School of Public Health's premier annual alumni event, featuring topical lectures by top public health faculty, provides opportunities for alumni to network, and a seated dinner, featuring the presentation of our alumni awards. This year's Summit was moderated by Dean Linda P. Fried, and the topics included:

**Big Data** led by DuBois Bowman, PhD, Chair and Cynthia and Robert Citrone-Roslyn and Leslie Goldstein Professor of Biostatistics

Current Issues in Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights led by Terry McGovern, JD, Interim Chair and Professor of Population and Family Health

The Affordable Care Act: What Happens Next? led by Michael S. Sparer, PhD, JD, Chair and Professor of Health Policy and Management

You can watch a livestream of the Alumni Summit below. http://bit.ly/2svT7vR





## News on Campus and around...

#### REMEMBERING ALLAN ROSENFIELD, MD

Reminder: When on campus, be sure to visit the tribute wall on the 8th floor of the Mailman School of Public Health honoring the legacy of leadership in public health of the late Dean Allan Rosenfield, MD. See also http://bit.ly/2svCikT



## CONGRATULATIONS TO KATHLEEN CROWLEY!

The Mailman Alumni Board congratulates immediate past President and current Board Member Kathleen Crowley (PA-C '91PH, '13PH) on being selected as one of the 2017 Alumni Medalists. On May 17th, the Alumni Medalists were honored for their dedication to building Columbia's community regionally, online, in specific schools or in cross-campus initiatives. Kathleen, who is well known to alumni for her warmth, intelligence, and initiative, did a masterful job during her term as President and has served as a mentor for Mailman students, fostered alumni relations, raised funds, presented at NYC Admitted Students Day, was the closing speaker at Commencement, and served as a moderator at the Alumni Summit for Public Health Leadership. Not only is she heavily involved in Mailman activities, but she is a proud member of the CAA Women's Leadership Advisory Group and the CAA Strategic Planning Committee. Dr. Crowley is a gem, working tirelessly to connect Mailman students and alumni with one another and with the Columbia Alumni Association at large. She holds an MPH and DrPH from the Mailman School of Public Health in Environmental Health Sciences as well as a degree as a Physician Assistant and is currently the Associate Vice President for Environmental Health and Safety for Columbia University. Congratulations Kathleen!

## BECOME A COLUMBIA CLUB MEMBER TODAY!

As a Mailman alumna/us, you can join the Columbia Club of New York! There has never been a better time for alumni to join the Columbia Club of New York http://www.columbiaclub.org/.

In celebration of the Columbia Club's brand new affiliation agreement with The Penn Club, alumni can enjoy exclusive events with fellow Columbians, beautifully appointed guest rooms, fine and casual dining, private event and banquet facilities, a fitness center and much more. You can also take advantage of reciprocal club privileges at other top clubs around the world.

The quicker you sign up, the sooner you can begin taking advantage of everything the Columbia Club of New York offers!

#### **CALL FOR CLASS NOTES**

What's new? Tell us about what's going on in your life. New job? Newly published article? New spouse? New baby? We're eager to hear it all! Feel free to share. Send a picture if you have one available. Tell us what's cooking.

Class Notes is a super-popular feature in most alumni publications, and we all agree that Mailman alums are super-special: let's make this section super-dynamic! To keep us in the loop, please write to emailman@caa.columbia.edu.

- E-Mailman welcomes MSPH alumna Stacey Cameron, MPH '15, attorney, writer, spokesperson, philanthropist, and connecter who has an interest in digital public health as a contributor.
- New Alumni Board member Patricia Ruppert, DO, MPH '15 joined the Mentoring Committee and also has attained Certified Physician Executive (CPE) status after completing a Capstone in Arizona last November. Patricia noted that "the CPE designation can open doors to advance one's career and enhance credibility." To become a CPE, one must be accepted into the Certifying Commission in Medical Management's CPE Certification Program. After meeting the 150 hour prerequisite curriculum, there is a 3 1/2 day skill development and assessment session that ends with an oral presentation to a panel of health care leaders.

## COLUMBIA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (CAA)

As alumni of Columbia University, we are part of a global network of more than 330,000 leaders, creators, and change makers bound together by our shared University connection and our collective passion, intellect, and drive. The Columbia Alumni Association (CAA) invites us to explore the new Alumni Community, an exclusive resource for Columbia alumni at https://alumni.columbia.edu/get-involved/caa

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