

**THE PUBLIC HEALTH PROFESSION:  
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Fresno, California  
Saturday, April 12, 2008**

**AGENDA**

<b>9:00 am</b>	<b><i>Welcome</i></b> Dean David Dyjack, Loma Linda University, School of Public Health; Pacific Public Health Training Center John Welty, President, CSU Fresno Dean Benjamin Cuellar, College of Health and Human Services, CSU Fresno
<b>9:15 am</b>	<b><i>Why Public Health Needs You!</i></b> Keynote Speaker: Jose J. Deanda, MPH Medical Group Administrator Kaiser Permanente, Fresno
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b><i>Public Health Practitioners: Diverse Paths and Current Work</i></b> Melanie Briones, MPH Epidemiologist Stanislaus County Public Health Department  Daniel H. Kim, Jr., MPH, CHES Director, Health Promotion and Public Information Kern County Department of Public Health  Edward Moreno, MD, MPH Director and Health Officer Fresno County Department of Community Health
<b>10:45 am</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
<b>11:00 am</b>	<b><i>The Many Pathways to Public Health</i></b> Jeffrey S. Oxendine, MBA, MPH Associate Dean of Public Health Practice, UC Berkeley

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<b>11:40 am</b>	<p><b><i>Student Panel: Why I Got into Public Health</i></b>  Maurice Adkins, Loma Linda University, MPH(c) Student  Eva Durazo, UCLA, MPH Student  Armando Hernandez, UC Berkeley, MPH Student  Lee Pao Kang, CSU Fresno, MPH Student  Rebecca Lopez, CSU Fresno, MPH Student</p>
<b>12:15 pm</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>
<b>12:55 pm</b>	<p><b><i>Central Valley Public Health Issues</i></b>  John Capitman, PhD  Executive Director  Central Valley Health Policy Institute</p>
<b>1:20 pm</b>	<p><b><i>The Environmental Health Profession Needs More Than a Few Good Men...</i></b>  David Dyjack, DrPH, CIH  Dean, Loma Linda University School of Public Health</p>
<b>1:45 pm</b>	<p><b><i>Graduate Public Health Program Highlights:</i></b>  Dean David Dyjack DrPH, CIH, Loma Linda University  Stephen McCurdy, MD, MPH, UC Davis MPH Program  Miguel Perez, PhD, CHES, CSU Fresno  Michael Prelip, MPH DPA CHES, UC Los Angeles  Abby Rincon, MPH, UC Berkeley</p>
<b>2:30 pm</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
<b>2:45 pm</b>	<p><b><i>Tips and Strategies to Get Yourself Admitted to a Top School of Public Health</i></b>  Jesse Bliss, MPH, Loma Linda University School of Public Health  Assistant Dean Dave Clark, MS, UCLA School of Public Health  Suzanne Kotkin-Jaszi, MPH, DrPH, CSU Fresno  Abby Rincon, MPH, UC Berkeley  Michael Prelip, MPH DPA CHES UC Los Angeles  John Troidl, PhD, MBA UC Davis</p>
<b>3:25 pm</b>	<p><b><i>Student Success Stories</i></b>  Maurice Adkins, Loma Linda University, MPH(c) Student  Xi Chang, CSU Fresno, MPH Student  Lilia DeLaCerde, MPH, CSU Fresno  Eva Durazo, UCLA, MPH Student  Arnab Mukherjea, UC Berkeley, DrPH Candidate</p>
<b>3:50 pm</b>	<b><i>Post-Test, and See You in Graduate School!</i></b>