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From the Division of Public Health Sciences, Department of Surgery  
Graham A. Colditz, MD, DrPH, *Chief*

## Sitting at work linked to obesity, especially for black women, independent of free-time activity level



### | Obesity Research |

Lin Yang, PhD; Ross Brownson, PhD; Aaron Hipp, PhD; et al.

Published in *Preventing Chronic Disease*

[PubMed](#) | [Yang Profile](#) | [Press Release](#)

## Smokers' beliefs about genomic research and the potential for new tobacco control strategies



### | Disease Prevention Research |

Erika Waters, PhD, MPH; Sarah Gehlert, PhD; et al.

Published in *BMC Public Health*

[PubMed](#) | [Waters Profile](#)

## Assessing the characteristics of gastroenterologists with poor adherence to colonoscopy guidelines



### | Cancer Prevention Research |

Jean Wang, MD, PhD; Graham Colditz, MD, DrPH; et al.

Published in *Digestive Diseases and Sciences*

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## Division News Briefs

- The Division of Public Health Sciences **congratulates faculty member Melody Goodman, PhD**, on her appointment as chair of the American Public Health Association's Statistics Section. This section, formed in 1908 and one of the oldest in APHA history, identifies issues, develops strategies and promotes activities in the area of statistics. **On her goals for this appointment, Dr. Goodman says:** "I look forward to working with our section members and APHA leadership as we begin to address the organization's central challenge to become the healthiest nation in one generation. This work will be accomplished using three key strategies: 1) strengthen public health practice; 2) align organizational capacity and infrastructure; and 3) build a public health movement. Over 12,000 public health professionals convened in New Orleans to discuss Healthography; how where you live affects your health. I can't wait for our annual meeting in 2015 where we will discuss the need for health in all policies."
- The **Master of Population Health Sciences (MPHS) degree program will be accepting applications for the 2015-2016 academic year** starting on January 9, 2015. This clinical outcomes research training program, open to clinicians and clinical doctorates as well as medical students, can be completed in as few as 10 months or 2 to 3 years part time. Registration is also still open for Spring 2015 courses; [read the full list of available courses online](#). Most courses begin



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This newsletter provides a select summary of research news from the Division of Public Health Sciences.

We are a team of researchers and clinicians dedicated to preventing disease, improving health outcomes, and promoting quality and access to health care.

The Division of Public Health Sciences is part of the [Department of Surgery](#).

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the week of January 12, 2015.

- The **Winter/Spring 2015 schedule for the Epidemiology and Clinical Outcomes Research Seminar Series** is [now online](#). Note that the seminar scheduled for today, December 11, has been canceled. The series returns on January 8, 2015, with a talk from Amit Amin, MD, MSc, assistant professor of medicine, Cardiovascular Division, Washington University School of Medicine.

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