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

## Cost of diabetes: 3.3 to 18.7 life years and \$8,946 to \$159,380 in increased healthcare expenditures



| **Obesity Research** |  
Mallory Leung, PhD, MSc; Chang; Colditz; et al.  
Published in *Diabetes Care*  
[PubMed](#) | [Leung Profile](#)

## Association found between 4+ years of metformin use and reduced risk of MGUS to multiple myeloma



| **Cancer Prevention Research** |  
Su-Hsin Chang, PhD; Colditz; Carlsson; Carson; et al.  
Published in *The Lancet Haematology*  
[PubMed](#) | [Chang Profile](#)

## Review examines the timing and patterns of alcohol consumption on breast cancer risk and markers



| **Cancer Prevention Research** |  
Ying Liu, MD, PhD; Nguyen; Colditz  
Published in *Women's Health*  
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### ABOUT US

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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## Division News Briefs

- Faculty and staff across WU campuses are invited to attend a shared decision making and health literacy guest lecture on **Monday, Feb. 23, at 9 a.m.** in the Richmond Room on the second floor of the Taylor Avenue Building. [Jamie L. Studts, PhD](#), University of Kentucky School of Medicine, will present "**Conjoint Analysis and Health Decision Making: Examples and Clinical Applications.**" RSVP to Mary Politi, PhD, at [politim@wudosis.wustl.edu](mailto:politim@wudosis.wustl.edu).
- Division faculty news: 1) [Jeff Gill, PhD](#), professor of surgery, has published the third edition of his book *Bayesian Methods: A Social and Behavioral Sciences Approach* (Chapman & Hall/CRC Statistics in the Social and Behavioral Sciences). 2) [Mary Politi, PhD](#), assistant professor of surgery, has accepted a position as Deputy Editor for the [Journal of General Internal Medicine](#) (JGIM).
- The **Master of Population Health Sciences (MPHS) degree program continues to accept applications** for the 2015-2016 academic year on a rolling basis through the spring. 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. Email Joyce Linn, program coordinator, at [linnj@wudosis.wustl.edu](mailto:linnj@wudosis.wustl.edu) with questions.

- **Epidemiology and Clinical Outcomes Research Seminar Series:** The February seminar has been canceled. The series will resume on Thursday, March 12, at 4:30 p.m. with a presentation from Jeffrey Peipert, MD, PhD, Robert J. Terry Professor and Vice Chair of Research, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Washington University School of Medicine. [View the spring 2015 seminar schedule online.](#)

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