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Division News Briefs

- The Division of Public Health Sciences welcome new faculty member Yin Cao, ScD, MPH, assistant professor of surgery. Dr. Cao joined the Division July 1 with research interests in risk prediction and cancer prevention, particularly among gastrointestinal cancers. Read about Dr. Cao's current research.
- The Division of Public Health Sciences congratulates Aimee James, PhD, MPH, associate professor of surgery, on her U01 funding from the NIH to address colorectal cancer mortality rates in Southern Illinois. James and colleagues will work with
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Southern Illinois Healthcare and Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. Read the news announcement.

- The Division also welcomes Lindsay Fuzzell, PhD, a postdoctoral research associate who began July 1. Dr. Fuzzell's research has focused on health communication and shared decision making.
- Biostatistics and epidemiology consultation services are available for cancer research through the Siteman Biostatistics Shared Resource. This facility supports cancer research through grant applications, experimental designs, study monitoring, and data analysis. Request services.
- Media Notes: 1) Adetunji Toriola, MD, PhD, wrote July's Gateway Region YMCA blog on back-to-school vaccinations, and why they are important for your child's health. 2) Times News quoted Graham Colditz, MD, DrPH, on helping the public understand the link between obesity and cancer. 3) KMOV spoke with Dr. Colditz about cancer hot spots in Southeastern Missouri due to low screening rates.

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