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Alcohol consumption across the life course and mammographic density in premenopausal women

| Epidemiology Research | Ying Liu, MD, PhD; Graham Colditz, MD, DrPH; et al. Published in Breast Cancer Research and Treatment PubMed | Liu Profile | Colditz Profile |

Combining risk communication strategies to simultaneously convey the risks of four diseases associated with physical inactivity to socio-demographically diverse populations

| Health Communication Research | Erika Waters, PhD, MPH; et al. Published in Journal of Behavioral Medicine PubMed | Waters Profile |

Estimating health benefits and cost-savings for achieving the Healthy People 2020 objective of reducing invasive colorectal cancer

| Health Economics Research | Su-Hsin Chang, PhD; et al. Published in Preventative Medicine PubMed | Chang Profile |

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Division News Briefs

- Congratulations to Erin Linnenbringer, PhD, instructor in surgery, on new funding from the Institute for Public Health to study the health impacts on students in the St. Louis Interdistrict School Desegregation Program. Read the news announcement.
- Congratulations to Ebony Carter, MD, MPH, on being selected as a 2017 National Academy of Medicine (NAM) Fellow. Read the NAM news release.
Jean Hunleth, PhD, MPH, will speak at the American Anthropology Association Meeting on November 29. Her presentation will cover infectious diseases in Zambia.

Join us Thursday, November 9, at 4:30 p.m. for the Epidemiology and Clinical Outcomes Research Seminar Series. Jennifer Walker, PhD, MPH, Deputy Lead in the Cancer Prevention in the Primary Care Research Group at University of Melbourne, Australia, will present. See the upcoming seminar series presentations.

Applications are now being accepted for the 2018-2019 T32 postdoctoral transdisciplinary cancer prevention and control training program. Applications are due February 2, 2018.

The Master of Population Health Sciences (MPHS) degree program is now accepting applications for the 2018-2019 academic year. The deadline for submitting applications for scholarship consideration is January 12, 2018.

Save the Date for the 2018 Patient Centered Outcomes Research Symposium April 25, 2018. More information available online.

Media Notes: 1) Graham Colditz, MD, DrPH, wrote October's Gateway Region YMCA blog on breast cancer prevention throughout family generations. 2) Joaquin Barnoya, MD, MPH, reviewed a study for Medscape Medical News about vaping and health effects (subscription required). 3) Vetta Sanders Thompson, PhD, spoke with the St. Louis American about the fourth cohort of the Community Research Fellows Training program. 4) Dr. Colditz also provided Reuters with commentary on a study linking weight loss surgery and a reduction in cancer risk. 5) The American Cancer Society profiled Dr. Colditz and his research in their journal, Cancer. 6) Erin Linnenbringer, PhD, was interviewed by Town & Style Magazine discussing genetic testing and cancer treatment. 7) LA Times spoke with Dr. Colditz about certain ways to reduce cancer risk. 8) Parents.com featured Dr. Colditz as he spoke to 11 key ways to reduce breast cancer risk.