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

Education-based disparities in knowledge of novel health risks: The case of knowledge gaps in HIV risk perceptions



| Risk Communication Research |
Erika Waters, PhD, MPH; et al.
Published in *British Journal of Health*
[PubMed](#) | [Waters Profile](#)

Accelerating the pace of cancer prevention - Right now



| Cancer Prevention Editorial |
Graham Colditz, MD, DrPH; et al.
Published in *Cancer Prevention Research (AACR)*
[AACR](#) | [Colditz Profile](#)

Cycling and female sexual and urinary function: Results from a large, multinational, cross-sectional study



| Epidemiology Research |
Siobhan Sutcliffe, PhD; et al.
Published in *Journal of Sexual Medicine*
[PubMed](#) | [Sutcliffe Profile](#)

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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

- The Division of Public Health Sciences **congratulates [Vetta Sanders-Thompson, PhD](#), on her [installation as the E. Desmond Lee Professor of Racial and Ethnic Diversity](#)**. Dr. Thompson will be installed on May 9 during a ceremony at the Brown School.
- The Division also **congratulates the 2018 [Master of Population Health Sciences \(MPHS\) degree program graduates!](#)** A certificate ceremony will be held May 17.
- The Division also **congratulates [Ying Liu, MD, PhD](#), assistant professor of surgery, on her research scholar grant from the American Cancer Society** to analyze the influence of race, healthcare providers, and neighborhoods for initial and follow-up care of ductal carcinoma in situ (DCIS), a precancerous breast lesion.. This funding provides Dr. Liu and her colleagues the opportunity to understand why racial disparities may exist in African-American women. Read the [news announcement](#).

- Join us Thursday, June 28, at 4:30 p.m. for the **Epidemiology and Clinical Outcomes Research Seminar Series**. Barry Davis, MD, PhD, chair in public health and professor of biostatistics at The University of Texas Houston, will present. See the [upcoming seminar series presentations](#).
- **Save the Date for the 2018 Smart Health Community Cancer Education Day that will be held on June 30 at Christian Hospital** (11133 Dunn Rd.). This event is hosted by the Program for the Elimination of Cancer Disparities (PECaD), and is free and open to the public.
- The **5th Rural Cancer Disparities WUSTL Siteman-SIUSM Partnership Retreat** will be held **August 24** from 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. in the Taylor Avenue Building. This retreat is sponsored by the [Siteman-SIUSM Rural Cancer Disparities Partnership](#) and is a chance for WUSTL and SIU investigators, area clinicians and community members to come together for a day of networking and learning about cancer disparities in the rural southern Illinois region. A detailed schedule and request for official RSVPs will be available at a later date.
- [Mary Politi, PhD](#), will be speaking on **May 1 from 12:00 - 1:00 pm** as part of the [Institute for Informatics Research-in-Progress Lecture Series](#). Dr. Politi will discuss how and why personalized decision support can improve the quality of care patients will receive.
- **Media Notes:** 1) [Yin Cao, ScD](#), was featured for [In Good Taste](#) from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch as she described apragus' nutritional information. 2) The [Gateway Region YMCA](#) blog post for April is provided by [Vetta Sanders Thompson, PhD](#), who reviews the National Standards for Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services in Health Care. 3) [Graham Colditz, MD, DrPH](#), spoke with [Mother Jones](#) about alcohol and the risk of breast cancer. 4) [Mary Politi, PhD](#), was interviewed by the [New York Times](#) regarding how providers communicate risks to patients. 5) [Ying Liu, MD, PhD](#), spoke with [Research Digest](#) about alcohol and the risk of breast cancer.

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