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ANAPHI NEWS!

- ◆ Welcome back to Professor John Lowe, to University of Sunshine Coast, as Head of School of Health and Sports Science.
- ◆ Congratulations to Professor Louisa Jorm, appointed as Foundation Professor of Population Health, at University of Western Sydney.
- ◆ Also, many thanks to Dr. Cathy Mead (La Trobe University) for representing the ANAPHI on the Faculty of Public Health Medicine's exam committee throughout the last year. As Cathy has resigned from La Trobe University, and the ANAPHI network, Associate Professor Peter Hill (University of Queensland) will take her place on the committee.



Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report for October 19, 2007 announced that the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies has recommended that all undergraduates have access to education in public health.

Conference attendees agreed that undergraduate public health education can help produce an educated citizenry that is better prepared to cope with public health challenges ranging from acquired immunodeficiency syndrome to aging, avian influenza, and health-care costs. Conference working groups recommended that two introductory courses, Public Health 101 and Epidemiology 101, be offered by all U.S. colleges and universities to fulfil undergraduate social science and science distribution requirements, respectively. The groups further recommended that high-quality minors in public health should be developed, with core courses, experience-based learning, and focus areas such as global health. The full recommendations from the conference have been published online by CCAS at <http://www.ccas.net>.

The Public Health 101 working group said making that course a part of general education can stimulate critical thinking and decision making, provide students with a methodology for understanding populations, and expose students to ongoing health-care and policy matters. Similarly, the Epidemiology 101 working group noted that epidemiology can play a key role in general education if taught broadly as a method for critical thinking. Epidemiology 101, the group said, can enable students to acquire quantitative and information literacy; learn the methods, ethics, and applications of the scientific method; and recognize the link between natural and social sciences, thus enriching their understanding of public policy and other population-based disciplines.

Please note—this is an amended version of a full notice which can be found at the following website: http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5641a5.htm?s_cid=mm5641a5_e%0d%0a

IMPORTANT DATES!

- ◆ The 2008 ANAPHI face to face full member meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 30th January** at the La Trobe University City Campus which is at **215 Franklin Street, Melbourne, Victoria**. For more details of the venue please go to the following link: <http://www.latrobe.edu.au/bg/assets/images/drawings/city-loc.pdf>
- ◆ The next ANAPHI newsletter will be in 30th January 2008. All items for the newsletter must be submitted to the secretariat, Penelope Smith, by COB on Friday, 25th January 2008.



It isn't quite December yet but.....the ANAPHI Secretariat and Chair would like to wish all the ANAPHI representatives a very restful and enjoyable festive season.



We excitedly look forward to seeing you all in 2008 at our face to face meeting in Melbourne and thank-you for your contribution in 2007.

Please note - the Secretariat, Penelope Smith, will be out of the office from Monday, 10th December until the University re-opens in January 2008.