

Curriculum Vitae
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EDUCATION

Doctorate of Public Health (DrPH)

School of Public Health and Health Services, George Washington University, 2008.

Masters of Public Health (MPH), Environmental and Occupational Health,

School of Public Health and Health Services, George Washington University, 2004.

Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Studies, with high distinction, University of Michigan, Dearborn, Michigan, 1990.

EXPERIENCE

Project Director, Beyond OSHA Project, funded by the Public Welfare Foundation (November 2010 to present).

Lecturer, Texas State University, Department of Health and Human Performance, January 2016 to present.

Professorial Lecturer, George Washington University, School of Public Health and Health Services, November 1, 2010 to present.

Assistant Research Professor, George Washington University, School of Public Health and Health Services, January 2009 to November 2010.

Principal Investigator, Governor's Independent Investigation Panel examining the Upper Big Branch mine disaster, commissioned by West Virginia Governor Joe Manchin III, April 2010 to June 2011.

Principal Investigator, Special Investigation of the Sago Mine Disaster, commissioned by West Virginia Governor Joe Manchin III, January 2006 to August 2006.

Senior Research Associate in Environmental and Occupational Health, George Washington University, School of Public Health and Health Services, July 2002 to January 2009.

Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Labor, (GS 13 - GS 15) US Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration, January 1996-December 2001.

Legislative Affairs Specialist and Program Analyst, (GS 7 - GS 12) US Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, January 1991-December 1995.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Monforton C. Monforton Comments (Editor's invited response to A. Finkel, A Healthy Public Cannot Abide Unhealthy And Unsafe Workplaces.) Am J Public Health. Am J Public Health. 2018 Mar;108(3):314

Monforton C. Monforton Responds (Editor's invited response to D. Yach, Health as a Cornerstone of Good Business and Sustainable Development) Am J Public Health. 2016 Oct;106(10):1760.

Monforton C (with K.Krisberg, L.Borkowski). The Year in US Occupational Health & Safety, editions 1 through 6, (2012-2017)

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Siqueira CE, Gaydos M, Monforton C., et al. Effects of social, economic, and labor policies on occupational health disparities. Am J Ind Med. 2014 May;57(5):557-72.

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Bingham E, Monforton C. The pesticide DBCP and male infertility. In: Late lessons from early warnings: science, precaution, innovation. European Environment Agency, January 2013.

Monforton C. Regulations and Guidelines for Toxic Exposures in the Workplace. In: Patty's Toxicology, 6th Edition, edited by E.Bingham and B. Cohrssen, New York: John Wiley & Sons, 2012.

Lemen RA, Anderson H, ... Monforton C., ... Exposure science will not increase protection of workers from asbestos-caused diseases: NIOSH fails to provide needed public health action and leadership. J Expo Sci Environ Epidemiol. 2011 Jan-Feb;21(1):114-5.

Monforton C., Windsor R. An impact evaluation of a federal mine safety training regulation on injury rates among US stone, sand, and gravel mine workers: an interrupted time-series analysis. Am J Public Health. 2010 Jul;100(7):1334-40.

Michaels D, Monforton C. Michaels and Monforton Respond. Public Health Reports 2008; 123(4): 428-432.

Michaels D, Monforton C. Beryllium's Public Relations Problem: Protecting Workers When There Is No Safe Exposure Level. Public Health Reports 2008; 123:79-88.

Bingham E, Monforton C. Chapter 46: Occupational Safety and Health Standards. In: Maxey-Rosenau-Last: Public Health & Preventive Medicine, 15th Edition, New York: McGraw Hill, 2008.

Michaels D, Monforton C. How Litigation Shapes the Scientific Literature: Asbestos and Disease Among Automobile Mechanics. J Law & Policy 2007; 5(3):1137-1169.

Michaels D, Monforton C, Lurie P. Comment on: Lung cancer mortality in the German chromate industry, 1958 to 1998. J Occup Environ Med. 2006; 48:995-7.

Michaels D, Monforton C, Lurie P. Selected science: an industry campaign to undermine an OSHA hexavalent chromium standard. Environmental Health 2006; 5:5.

Michaels D, Monforton C. The beryllium occupational exposure limit: historical origin and current inadequacy. J Occup Environ Med. 2006; 48:998-1000-1.

Monforton C. Weight-of-the-evidence or wait for the evidence?: Protecting underground miners from diesel particulate matter. Amer J Public Health 2006; 96(2):271-6.

Michaels D, Monforton C. Scientific evidence in the regulatory system: Manufacturing uncertainty and the demise of the formal regulatory system. J Law & Policy 2005; 13(1): 17-41.

Michaels D, Monforton C. Manufacturing uncertainty: Contested science and the protection of the public's health and environment. Amer J Public Health 2005; 95:Suppl1:S39-48.

Monforton C. Industry attacks on science. Amer J Public Health 2002; 92(7):1052.

INVITED TESTIMONY

Testimony before the U.S. House of Representatives' Committee on Education and Labor, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections on the "Whistleblower and Victim's Rights Provisions of H.R. 2067, the Protecting America's Workers Act," April 28, 2010.

Testimony before the U.S. Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions, Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety, on "Introducing Meaningful Incentives for Safe Workplaces and Meaningful Roles for Victims and Their Families," April 28, 2009.

Testimony before the U.S. House of Representatives' Committee on Education and Labor, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections on the "Impact of Department of Labor's Worker Health Risk Assessment Proposal," September 17, 2008

GRANT-FUNDED SUPPORT

Public Welfare Foundation (2008 to present)

Garfield Foundation (May 2015 to December 2015)

COURSES TAUGHT

Worksite Health Promotion (HED 3376), Department of Health and Human Performance, Texas State University (Fall 2016, 2017, 2018)

Issues in Environmental Health (HED 3301), Department of Health and Human Performance, Texas State University (Spring 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016.)

Occupational and Environmental Health in a Sustainable World (PubH 204), School of Public Health and Health Services, George Washington University (Fall 2009, Spring 2010)

Introduction to Environmental Health (MIEH 300), University of Maryland School of Public Health (Fall 2009)

Health and the Environment (PubH 172), School of Public Health and Health Services, George Washington University (Spring 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010)

Blogging for Public Health (PubH 209), School of Public Health and Health Services, George Washington University (Spring 2009, 2010)

AFFILIATIONS and COMMITTEES

American Public Health Association, Member, 1997 to present. Action Board (2018 to present); Occupational Health and Safety Section (OHS), OHS Policy Committee Co-Chair (2011 to present); OHS Program Planning Co-Chair (2013-2015); OHS Membership Committee Co-Chair (2012); OHS Program Planning Committee (2002-2004; 2010 to 2017); Immediate past-Section Chair (2010); Section Chair (2009); Section Chair-elect (2008); Governing Council (2007-2008); Section Secretary (2006).

Association of Occupational & Environmental Clinics, Member 2010 to present.

CommuniCare Health Center (FQHC), Board of Directors, October 2013 to present.

CommuniCare Health Foundation (FQHC), Board of Directors, December 2014 to present.

Pet Partner Animal Therapy Team with Laredo, Golden Retriever, 2011 to present.

Ecole Libre des Hautes Etudes, Industrial Disease Working Group, 2007 to present.

George Washington University Medical Center, Committee on Research, 2006.

George Washington University, School of Public Health, Decanal Search Committee, 2009.

DISTINCTIONS

Collegium Ramazzini, Inducted 2015.

Irving Selikoff Lifetime Achievement Award, Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization, 2013.

Tony Mazzocchi Award, National Coalition for Occupational Safety and Health, 2010.

One of the 50 Most Influential Environment, Health and Safety Leaders. *EHS Today* magazine, (2010-2013).

Omega Chapter, Delta Omega Honorary Public Health Society, Inducted 2009.

Loren Kerr Award, 2007. American Public Health Association, Occupational Health and Safety Section.

MEDIA ASSISTANCE & APPEARANCE

National and regional media outlets seek Dr. Monforton's expertise on occupational health and safety topics, including the following: *PBS Frontline, National Public Radio, CBS Evening News, New York Times, Wall Street Journal, USA Today, Washington Post, Center for Public Integrity, ProPublica, Bloomberg News, MSNBC, Associated Press, Huffington Post, Detroit Free Press, Houston Chronicle, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, Salt Lake Tribune, Las Vegas Sun, Charleston Gazette, Charlotte Observer, Louisville Courier-Journal, Harvest Public Media, Arizona Daily Star, The Atlantic, and Aljazeera America.*

A complete list of articles in which Dr. Monforton is quoted (2009 to present) is available upon request.