

UMV MRC Training Day – Speaker Bios

I. CLASSES

Behavioral Health I and II

Lisa Gurland R.N. Psy.D is the Director of Behavioral Health Planning and Development in the Emergency Preparedness Bureau at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. In this role she offers training and consultation on the behavioral health aspects of emergency planning and response. This includes Psychological First Aid, Building Emotional Resilience and the Care for the Caregiver needs of emergency responders.

Sheltering Animals in a Disaster

Ilene Segal, DVM, graduated from UNH in 1983 with a BA in Zoology, and graduated from Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine in 1987. R. Segal opened a small animal hospital in 1996. She is currently on the Massachusetts Veterinary Medical Association Steering Committee, serving as the Chair of the Emergency and Disaster Preparedness Committee. Dr. Segal is also on the Veterinary Services team of the State of Massachusetts Animal Response Team (SMART), and chairs the Town of Norfolk MRC.

Toxic Chemical Emergencies

Dr. Jennifer Jenner has been the coordinator of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) Chemical Threat Response Laboratory (CTRL) since 2006. Prior to that, she was a senior chemist for the laboratory. Dr. Jenner received a BS in chemistry from Bridgewater State College, and her MS (1993) and PhD (1998) degrees from Tufts University. Her research included examining the effects of diet on lipoprotein and cholesterol metabolism in the Framingham Heart Study Cohort and Offspring. From 1998 until 2001, Dr. Jenner did her postdoctoral work at the US Army's Research Institute of Environmental Medicine in Natick, where she studied the effects of dietary antioxidant supplementation on muscle damage and recovery in soldiers. In 2001 she came to the MDPH State Laboratory Institute Clinical Investigations Unit to perform research on HIV assays to determine recent infection, before joining the CTRL in 2004.

II. LUNCH – HAITI RELIEF PRESENTATIONS

Barbara Coughlin has been a registered nurse for the past 32 years. She has worked in acute, long term and community health care settings. She served as the public health nurse for the City of Easthampton, MA for five years and was a research analyst for the Massachusetts Department of Public Health Immunization Program for two years. Barbara is currently the Western Regional Health Educator for the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Infectious Disease Prevention, Response and Services.

In 2008 Barbara made her first trip to Hospital Sacre Coeur in Milot, Haiti. During this trip she was able to travel to many of the villages surrounding Milot in rural northern Haiti. In January 2010, she was scheduled to travel to Haiti and work with the nurse education team. On January 12, 2010 a devastating earthquake severely damaged the capital area of Port au Prince, Haiti. The education focused trip was re-focused to be an emergency response trip. Barbara will describe her experiences working as a medical surgical nurse two weeks after the earthquake and then during March of this year.

Barbara Moloney graduated from the University of Colorado in 1976 with a bachelor's degree in nursing. After working for several years in Colorado, she moved to Dublin Ireland. For the next eight years she worked as a nurse in Ireland in various settings, primarily in critical care nursing. In 1989 she moved Massachusetts, resuming her career as a critical care and emergency nurse and pursuing a MSN at Salem State. Since 2001, Barbara has been on the faculty of Lawrence Memorial/Regis College, teaching advanced medical-surgical nursing and critical care. Barbara is a member of the Merrimack Valley Medical Reserve Corps, and is registered with the Massachusetts System for Advance Registration (MSAR).

In January 2008 Barbara started work in staff development for nurses at Hospital Sacre Coeur (HSC) in Milot, Haiti. In early January 2010, just before the earthquake, training for a group of Haitian nurses as BLS instructors was completed and they provided training for health care providers at HSC. Following the devastating earthquake on January 12, 2010, Barbara returned with a group of nurses from the Boston area to provide emergency care. In March, 2010 she started a critical care course for the nurses at HSC to aid them in caring for the earth quake victims, returning in June to follow up.