# **Archives**

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### Appointments

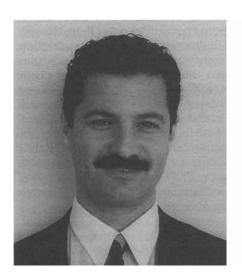
Dr. Scott Tomar has been appointed to the position of epidemiologist with the Surveillance, Investigations, and Research Branch, Division of Oral Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, GA, effective August 1998. His role with the agency is to expand the division's capacity in public health surveillance and analytic epidemiology. Before joining the CDC, Dr. Tomar was an assistant professor of oral epidemiology in the Department of Dental Public Health and Hygiene at the University of California School of Dentistry at San Francisco. Previous to that, he worked at CDC in the Office of Smoking and Health. Dr. Tomar graduated in 1980 from Temple University School of Dentistry. He received his MPH degree from Columbia University in 1989, his specialty certificate and his DrPH in dental public health from the University of Michigan in 1991 and 1993, respectively. Dr. Tomar is a diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health. He has been a member of AAPHD since 1989 and presently serves on its Executive Council.

Dr. Mark D. Macek has been appointed assistant professor in the Department of Oral Health Care Delivery at the University of Maryland at Baltimore Dental School, effective July of this year. He will play a leadership role in the Dental School's strategic initiative to become a center for oral health policy and oral health services research. Dr. Macek received his dental degree from the University of Nebraska in 1989. He also received an MPH degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health and his DrPH in 1989 from the University of Michigan. Before joining the dental school faculty, Dr. Macek completed a year as an Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer at the Centers for Disease Control. In addition, he has worked as a dentist with the Veterans Administration, been an adjunct assistant professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago School of Dentistry, and served as the chief dental practice resident at the Illinois Masonic Medical Center. He has been a member of AAPHD since 1993.

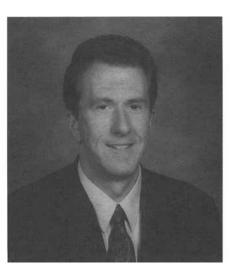
Dr. William Maas, assistant surgeon general and chief dental officer of the USPHS, has been appointed to serve as the director of the Division of Oral Health at the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and

Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, GA, effective July 1, 1998. In this role he will be directing the division's work with state and local health agencies to conduct surveillance and monitor progress in disease reduction, as well as assessing the risks of transmission of infectious diseases in the dental care environment. Dr. Maas is a graduate of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and received master's degrees in public health and science in health policy and management from Harvard University. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health and a fellow of the American College of Dentists. In 1997 Dr. Maas was appointed assistant surgeon general and chief dental officer of the USPHS. Prior to his appointment at CDC, Dr. Maas worked with the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research. In his earlier career with the USPHS he provided clinical care as well as directed clinical and community health programs at the local, regional, and national levels of the Indian Health Service. Dr. Maas has been a member of AAPHD since 1976 and served on the Executive Council from 1990-92.

Dr. Ronald Hunt has been named dean of the School of Dentistry of the



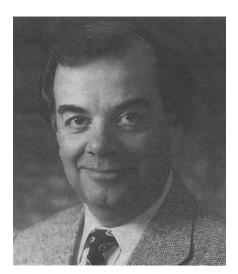
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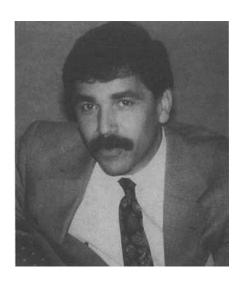
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Medical College of Virginia Campus of Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, VA, effective September 1 of this year. Before assuming his new position, Dr. Hunt was professor and associate dean for academic affairs at the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry. Dr. Hunt also served as chairman of the Department of Preventive and Community Dentistry at the College of Dentistry of the University of Iowa. In addition to his many academic positions, Dr. Hunt has had a private practice and worked as a public health dentist for the Mecklenburg County Health Department in Charlotte, NC. He received his DDS degree from the University of Iowa in 1973 and his MS from the same school in 1982. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health. Dr. Hunt has lectured and published extensively on many different aspects of dentistry. He has been a member of AAPHD since 1980.

Dr. Linda Niessen has been appointed vice-president of clinical affairs for Dentsply International. Dr. Niessen is also serving part time as professor and chair of the Department of Public Health Sciences at Baylor College of Dentistry-Texas A&M University Systems in Dallas, TX. She also serves on the staff of the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Dallas. Dr. Niessen has served as president of both the American Association of Public Health Dentistry and the American Board of Dental Public Health, as well as of the American Association of Women Dentists. In addition to her dental degree from Harvard School of Dental Medicine, she holds a master's degree in Public Health and Public Policy from the same institution. Dr. Niessen presently represents dental public health on the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation. In that position she also will serve as chair of the commission's Review Committee on Public Health Dentistry. Dr. Niessen has been a member of AAPHD since 1977.

Dr. Laura Neumann, recently employed as assistant executive director of the Division of Education of the American Dental Association, has been promoted to associate director of that division effective October of this year. Prior to joining the ADA, Dr. Neumann served as associate dean for clinical affairs at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry. Dr. Neumann received her BS in dental hygiene in 1969, her MS in dental hygiene in 1970, her DDS in 1977 from the UIC College of Dentistry, and her MPH degree in 1997 from Benedictine University in Lisle, IL. In addition to her academic positions in dentistry and dental hygiene, Dr. Neumann maintained a private practice for over nine years. Dr. Neumann has been a member of AAPHD since 1996.

Dr. Vincent Rogers has been appointed associate administrator of the Bureau of Health Professions with the Health Resources and Service Administration. In this position, Dr. Rogers will oversee all of the health professions programs for dentistry, as well as similar issues in the medical



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work force and medical education. Prior to his new position, Dr. Rogers served as chairman of the Department of Community Dentistry at Temple University School of Dentistry since 1990. Dr. Rogers is currently a member of the Board of Health of the Philadelphia City Health Department and serves as its chief dental consultant to the Ambulatory Health Services of that department. Prior to that, Dr. Rogers was chairman and associate professor of the Department of Community Dentistry, School of Dentistry, Georgetown University. Dr. Rogers received his DDS from the School of Dentistry, University of Maryland at Baltimore, in 1971 and his MPH degree from Johns Hopkins University in 1975. He began his dental public health career as a clinical dentist with the Baltimore City Health Department, where he eventually became director of its Bureau of Dental Care and assistant commissioner of health for clinical services. Dr. Rogers has published and lectured extensively on all phases of dentistry. He has been a member of AAPHD for many years and chaired its Legislative Committee from 1981-84.

Dr. Aljernon J. Bolden is presently director of Community Health Programs at Boston University's School of Dental Medicine. Dr. Bolden was formerly an associate professor in the Department of Preventive and Community Dentistry at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. He received his DMD degree from Tufts School of Dental Medicine and completed a general dental residency program at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center in Newark, NJ. He received his MPH degree from Harvard School of Public Health. He also received certificates as a fellow from Harvard in geriatric medicine and dentistry, and in dental public health. He was a Robert Wood Johnson Dental Services Research Scholar at Harvard School of Dental Medicine. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health. Dr. Bolden has been a member of AAPHD since 1981 and has served as chairman of its Diversity Committee for several years.

**Dr. Preston A. Littleton,** a consultant to the health professions, has been appointed by the American Optometric Association to its Council on Optomet-

ric Education. Prior to his present role as consultant, Dr. Little served as executive director of the American Association of Dental Schools for seven years. Before that, he was deputy director of the National Institutes of Health and deputy chief dental officer with the United States Public Health Service. Dr. Littleton received his DDS from Georgetown University in 1964 and an MS in community dentistry in 1973 from the University of Iowa. He also received MS and PhD degrees in education in 1972 and 1978 from the same institution. Over the years, Dr. Littleton has held academic appointments with Georgetown University and the University of Iowa. He has published more than 40 papers and abstracts and has been the recipient of 25 academic, federal service, and organizational awards. He has been a member of AAPHD since 1981.

Dr. Scott M. Presson has been appointed to serve as chief of the Program Services Branch of the Division of Oral Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, effective October 1 of this year. Dr. Presson received his dental training at Ohio State University and his MPH degree from the University of North Carolina. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health. Dr. Presson has been with the USPHS for 21 years and most recently served as area dental consultant and acting director of the Office of Health Programs of the Nashville Area Office of the Indian Health Service. Dr. Presson has been a member of AAPHD since 1986.

#### Honors

Dr. Dolores Malvitz received an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from the University of Detroit Mercy in recognition of her outstanding career in dentistry. Dr. Malvitz presently serves as chief of the Surveillance, Investigations, and Research Branch, Division of Oral Health at the CDC, a position she has held since 1992. She served as acting director of the division for one year just prior to the appointment of Dr. William Maas to that position. Dr. Malvitz received her certificate in dental hygiene from the University of Michigan in 1961 and her MPH and DrPH from the same institution in 1972 and 1974, respectively. In addi-



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tion to private clinical practice, she has held academic positions at the University of Michigan and the University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry, where she chaired the Dental Hygiene Department. She has been active and held positions of responsibility in the American Public Health Association, the American Association of Dental Schools, and the American Dental Hygienists' Association. Dr. Malvitz has been a member of AAPHD since 1977 and served on its Executive Council, 1990-93, and on the Editorial Board of the Journal of Public Health Dentistry from 1989-92.

Sharon Logue received a commemorative plaque and award for her outstanding work in continuing education from the entire staff of the Division of Dental Health of the Virginia Department of Health. Ms. Logue has worked for the Division of Health since 1989. Prior to that she held faculty positions at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, the University of North Carolina, and Virginia Commonwealth University. Ms. Logue received her certificate of dental hygiene, BS, and MPH degrees from the University of North Carolina. In addition to her duties with the Division of Dental Health, she presently teaches the nutrition course for dental hygiene students at the Medical College of Virginia School of Dentistry at Virginia Commonwealth University. She has been a member of AAPHD since 1991.

#### **Obituaries**

With the death of Betty H. Krippene

on April 24, 1998, dental public health lost one of its pioneering dental public health hygienists. Ms. Krippene received her certificate in dental hygiene from Marquette University in 1933. She received a BS degree from the same institution in 1952 and an MPH degree in 1957 from the University of Minnesota. Her public health career began in Sheboygan, WI, where she served as the city dental hygienist from 1939-43. She worked with Dr. Frank Bull, the state dental director, in the early phases of the fluoridation movement, and had the opportunity to meet Dr. Frederick McKay, one of the early pioneers of fluoridation. After working for a short time as a school hygienist and serving in an army hospital during the World War II, Ms. Krippene was hired as the first regional dental health consultant with the Dental Division of the Wisconsin State Health Department, a position she held until her retirement in the 1980s. During this time she participated in some of the early studies testing the efficacy of topical sodium fluoride treatments. Her early surveys of dental needs of the children in communities in her region resulted in the employment of local school dental hygienists throughout the state. She served as acting director of the division between the time of Dr. Frank Bull's death and the employment of Dr. Michael Arra. Ms. Krippene served as president of the Wisconsin Dental Hygiene Association in 1948 and president of the American Dental Hygiene Association in 1951–52. She also served as president of the Wisconsin Public Health Association in 1965-67, the first dental person in that state to hold such a position. Ms. Krippene was very active in APHA and chaired its Committee on Educational Services for Dental Care Programs from 1968-69 and the Task Force on Educational Qualifications of Dental Auxiliary Personnel from 1970-72.

Ms. Grace Scholz Spitz died on May 5, 1998, in Falls Church, VA. Ms Spitz was a statistician with the USPHS. She worked for several years with the Division of Dental Health under the direction of Dr. Frank Law and handled data analyses for several of the topical fluoride studies. She also worked on the Surgeon General's Report on Smoking and Health. She retired from the National Cancer Institute in 1968.