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Awards

John C. Greene, DMD, MPH, received the 2002 Tuttle Award for his leadership in the area of smokeless tobacco prevention and education. Dr. Greene is Dean Emeritus and Professor Emeritus of the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) School of Dentistry. He received his dental degree from the University of Louisville and his public health degree from the University of California at Berkeley. In addition, he holds honorary doctor of science degrees from the University of Louisville, the University of Kentucky, and Boston University. Dr. Greene was dean of the UCSF School of Dentistry from 1981 until his retirement in 1994. Prior to serving at UCSF School of Dentistry, he held numerous positions with the United States Public Health Service, including deputy surgeon general and chief dental officer. He is a diplomate and past president of the American Board of Dental Public Health and past president of both the American and International Associations for Dental Research. He was chair of the Administrative Board of the Council of Deans of the American Association of Dental Schools, a member of the World Health Organization's Expert Panel on Oral Health and of the United States Preventive Services Task Force, serving on the latter's senior advisory panel. Dr. Greene has received numerous awards and honors, including the Distinguished Service Medal from the US Public Health Service, the Award of Merit from the World Dental Federation, the Outstanding Professional Award from the Pierre Fauchard Academy, the Distinguished Service Award from the American Association of Public Health Dentistry, and the John Knutson Award from the American Public Health Association. He recently received the UCSF Medal and the American Dental Education Association's Distinguished Service Award. Dr. Greene is an elected member of the National Academy of Science's Institute of Medicine and has served two



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terms on its Governing Council, a Fellow of the American and International Colleges of Dentists, the Academy of Dentistry International, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. In his retirement he has served as co-chair of the UCSF Chancellor's Task Force on the Impact of Health Care Reform on the Academic Health Center, the NIH Advisory Committee on Research on Women's Health, the Advisory Committee for the UCSF Center for the Health Professions, chair of the International Association for Dental Research's ad hoc Committee on Tobacco. He is an active participant in Oral Health America's National Spit Tobacco Education Program.

Retirements

Thomas F. Drury, PhD, retired as senior health statistician, Health Policy and Analysis Development Branch, Division of Population and Health Promotion Sciences, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR). Dr. Drury earned his PhD and MA in medical sociology at the Catholic University of America, Washington, DC. He joined the National Institute of Dental Research in 1987 as deputy director of the Epidemiology and Oral Disease Prevention Program. During all his appointments at NIDCR, he applied epidemiologic, biometric, and clinical trial methodologies to research the causes, incidence, and prevalence of dental caries, periodontal diseases, and other oral diseases and disorders. Prior to joining NIDCR, he held several positions at the National Center for Health Statistics, including that of chief of the Health Status Measurement Branch in the Division of Health Interview Statistics. Dr. Drury's publications cover numerous topics such as dental caries, oral and pharyngeal cancer, chronic pain, diabetes, and other health-related issues.

Illness

Rhys B. Jones, DDS, MS, was diagnosed in early 2002 with myeloma, a bone marrow cancer. The diagnosis was further complicated with primary cardiac amyloidosis, a condition discovered in the spring of the year. This rare condition affects the heart muscle with amyloid proteins and restricts cardiac output. It is a result of myeloma in a small number of cases. Because of the rapid progression of the amyloidosis, Dr. Jones underwent an autologous stem cell bone marrow transplant at University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City in August of 2002. He was in the hospital for 23 days and is now recovering at home in Iowa City. One month after the successful transplant, his doctors reported "complete remission" of the myeloma. He is exercising daily to reduce the accumulation of amyloid in the heart. He hopes to be back at work at St. Luke's Hospital and the University of Iowa College of Dentistry in January 2003. Dr. Jones is director of St. Luke's Dental Health Center, St. Luke's Hospital, and adjunct professor in the Departments of Pediatric Dentistry and Preventive and Community Dentistry, University of Iowa. He is a past president of the American Association of Public Health Dentistry. He and his family would like to thank the dental public health community for their support and caring this past year.