Poll of Mass. police chiefs finds respondents favor discretion in issuing concealed gun permits
Massachusetts is one of nine states with a “may-issue” concealed carry permit law, which gives police chiefs discretion in issuing gun permits; most other states’ laws limit this discretion.

Understanding the social context of Ebola
Theresa Betancourt has spent more than a decade working in Sierra Leone studying the health of former child soldiers and other war-affected youth. She is now taking a look at another public health crisis that has ravaged that country — Ebola.

Can E-cigarette regulation protect the public’s health?
Electronic cigarettes offer the promise of a less-harmful alternative to smoking tobacco and a way to quit, but some worry that “vaping” may be a gateway to addiction for teens. Watch a video of this Forum event and read Harvard Gazette coverage.

Event Highlights
How to Run a Government So That Citizens Benefit and Taxpayers Don’t Go Crazy
Dean’s Distinguished Lecture book presentation
Sir Michael Barber, chief education advisor, Pearson
TODAY April 23
4:00–5:00 PM
Kresge 502
Reception to follow

Innovating Professional Education for Universal Health Coverage: Lessons from Thailand
His Excellency Professor Rajata Rajatanavin, FACE Minister of Public Health, Thailand
April 28
4:00 PM
Joseph B. Martin Center Rotunda

History, Trauma, and Public Health
Hosted by the Harvard Chan School Native American Student Organization and the Jewish Student Association
April 28
5:30 PM
Kresge G1
Dinner will be provided.
RSVP

A Female Researcher Exploring the Male Prostate
Lorelei Mucci, associate professor of epidemiology
May 11
3:30–5:00 PM
Kresge G2

Around the School
David Bloom named

Senior Leader Administrative Forum Breakfast
Inaugural Carnegie Fellow

David Bloom was named to the first class of Andrew Carnegie Fellows, an annual program supporting social sciences and humanities scholars.

High school students get taste of public health

About 100 local high school students attended a conference on April 10 at the School, organized by Harvard Chan students.

Celebrating Earth Day

The School celebrated Earth Day 2015 on April 22 by hosting a Sustainability Fair. The fair gave the community a chance to learn about how to live more sustainably on the job, in the lab, and at home.

New faculty appointment

Christopher Sudfeld has been appointed assistant professor of global health and nutrition.

President's Challenge Demo Day 2015

TODAY April 23, 5:00–7:00 PM, Harvard i-lab

The President's Challenge encouraged students from across Harvard to apply their knowledge and come up with creative solutions to the world's most pressing problems. At Demo Day, the ten finalist teams will showcase their efforts.

Deans’ Challenges Demo Day

April 29, 5:30–7:30 PM, Harvard i-lab

Twenty finalist teams from four Deans' Challenges will showcase their ventures to the Harvard community. Two Harvard Chan students lead teams named finalists in this year's challenges: Avik Chatterjee, MPH '15, team Waste to Feast (Food System Challenge), and Daniel Levin Brown, MPH '15, team FLEEThealth (Health and Life Sciences Challenge).

Time to do a self-evaluations in ePerformance

All stages of the performance assessment process must be completed by May 29. Click the link above for tips and the dates of training sessions for staff and managers.

Ending Institutional Corruption conference

May 1-2, Harvard Law School

Public health panel: May 1, 4:15–5:30 PM

This event celebrates the culmination of the Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics's work on ending institutional corruption.

In the news

Lessons from Kumbh Mela

Aspirin may reduce risk of some cancers

For a longer life, more exercise is better than less