Celebration with the Stars
Congratulations to all the staff, faculty, and academic appointees who reached a key milestone based on their benefits-eligible years of service in calendar year 2015!

Global burden of mental illness may be underestimated
The disability and mortality that results from mental illness around the world is underestimated by more than a third, researchers say.

Zika in the news
As public health officials work to contain the spread of the Zika virus, Harvard Chan experts are weighing in — on the disease’s alarming spread, potential costs, political ramifications, and more.

Event Highlights

Ensuring data confidentiality
February 16
Noon-1:00 PM
Countway Library, Minot Room

Understanding the social determinants of health through the lens of natural disaster
Ichiro Kawachi
February 18
4:00-5:30 PM
Harvard Pop. Center, 9 Bow Street, Cambridge

Quality cancer care
February 22
10:00-11:30 AM
Countway Library, Ballard Room

Event calendar >

Featured podcast

Harvard Chan
THIS WEEK in HEALTH

Each Friday this podcast delivers top health headlines—from wellness tips to important global health trends. Listen on Soundcloud, subscribe through iTunes, or stream it via Stitcher.

Research news

Vaccine assistance increases to
Around the School

Campus Climate Assessment Survey
On February 16 the Harvard Chan School will be launching the Campus Climate Assessment (CECE) Survey to understand the campus environment and to use the data to improve diversity, equity and inclusion. We hope for full participation in the survey from all members of the Harvard Chan community.

Remembering Richard Levins
On Sunday, March 6, family and friends will hold a memorial service to remember Richard Levins, John Rock Professor of Population Sciences, who passed away in January.

Networking Across Harvard
Staff are invited to take advantage of Networking Across Harvard, informational meetings held at local HR offices from 2:00 to 4:00 PM on the third Thursday of each month during this semester. Participants can meet one-on-one with local HR officers to learn more about Harvard’s schools and departments, including key initiatives and work environments, in order to explore career interests, expand professional networks and be ready to strengthen and target future applications.

Humanitarian crises the focus of new course
Researchers from the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative (HHI) have launched a new course for Harvard undergraduates starting in the Spring 2016 semester. The course aims to introduce students to global health theory and policy and its applications during humanitarian crises.

Take the EcoOpportunity engagement survey
EcoOpportunity wants to hear from you! Whether or not you’re a member, take the two-minute survey for your chance to win a gift certificate for Lilly’s Fresh Pasta.

Racial and Ethnic Disparities: Looking Back Seminar Series
Join the Disparities Solutions Center at Massachusetts General Hospital for a presentation by Drs. W. Michael Byrd and Linda A. Clayton, nationally known health policy experts whose work focuses on the medical history and health experience of African Americans and other populations that experience disparities in the U.S. health system. The event takes place on February 16. RSVP here.

Childhood Obesity: Turning Science into Care
On March 31-April 1, join Boston Children’s Hospital for a conference addressing how the latest childhood obesity research is being translated into successful community interventions. Register before February 18 for the early bird rate.

$3.6 billion
Surgical safety checklists effective but challenging to implement

Do babies understand video chatting?

U.S. firearm death rate ten times higher than other high-income countries