Mapping Boston’s soundscape
Erica Walker, SD ’17, biked around Boston to take the measure of a city’s noise and its effects on residents.

TODAY, live webcast, 12:30 PM: Helene Gayle
As part of the Voices in Leadership series, Helene Gayle will speak about her experiences as CEO of McKinsey Social Initiative, a nonprofit organization that aims to address complex global social challenges.

Zika is forcing scientists to rethink assumptions about human biology
On April 13, the CDC joined the World Health Organization in confirming a link between Zika and the severe birth defect microcephaly. Eric Rubin explains why the virus poses unique challenges for scientists.

Event Highlights
Innovative Sexual Assault Policies and Prevention on College Campuses, Hospitals and in Communities
April 21
12:30-1:30 PM
Kresge 200

Fighting Fat Stigma
April 26
12:30-1:20 PM
FXB G-12

Retirement Celebration for Jim Ware
April 29
2:30-5:30 PM
Kresge G1

Featured podcast: The link between income and life expectancy
Why geography plays a role in how long people live, plus we head into the lab with two scientists who are concerned about the evolution of so-called “monkey malaria.” Listen on Soundcloud, subscribe through iTunes, or stream it via Stitcher.
Around the School

Putting the brakes on distracted driving
April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month. Jay Winsten, Frank Stanton Director of the School's Center for Health Communication, speaks about the Center's newest initiative—a campaign to prevent injuries and fatalities caused by "distracted driving."

University hosts FoodBetter Harvard
On Thursday, April 21 and Friday, April 22, the University will host Foodbetter Harvard, a two-day event on the Science Center Plaza. Foodbetter Harvard invites you to ask questions about the food system and how to improve it: how to grow better, eat better, shop better, conserve better . . . how to Foodbetter.

High school students sample field of public health
The fourth annual "Let's Talk Public Health: Youth and Public Health Conference" gave underrepresented local high school students the chance to learn about public health from current Harvard graduate students and faculty.

Harvard team presents at global health case competition
Say you've got $30 million to develop a five-year pilot plan for preventing and treating a common childbirth injury. But you have just five days to come up with the plan. That was the challenge that five Harvard graduate students faced—two from Harvard Chan School and three from other Harvard schools—in a competition that drew 24 teams from around the world.

Experts explain complexities, challenges of drug trials
The Forum webcast explored how drug trials impact disease treatment and prevention — particularly for conditions like Alzheimer's that currently have little or no therapeutic options.

Commencement awards
Nominate a deserving student, staff, or faculty member for the School's 2016 Commencement awards.

Lenny Marcus and Rich Serino lecture at President's Leadership Workshop
National Preparedness Leadership Initiative (NPLI) Co-Director Lenny Marcus and NPLI Distinguished Visiting Fellow Rich Serino lectured on April 9 at the White House, part of the President's Leadership Workshop sponsored by the Presidential Personnel Office. Topics included "Meta-Leadership," examples of innovation and transformation from Rich Serino's tenure as Deputy Administrator of FEMA, the results of NPLI research on the response to the Boston Marathon bombings, and discovery of "Swarm Leadership" among those in key positions.

In the news

Patient hospital scores may provide insight into health outcomes

Health disparities between blacks and whites run deep