

CURRICULUM VITAE
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Education

- 1987-1991 *U.C. Berkeley*
BA, Biochemistry
- 1991-1996 *U.C. Berkeley-U.C.S.F. Joint Medical Program*
MS, UCB, Health and Medical Sciences, 1994
MD, UCSF, 1996.
- 1996-1999 *Contra Costa Regional Medical Center Family Practice Residency*
Family Practice resident. Chief resident, 1998-1999.

Licensure and Certification

- 1997 California Medical License
1999 Board Certification, American Board of Family Practice
2001 Alaska State Medical License

Professional Experience

Teaching/Academic:

- 2000-2001 *Contra Costa Regional Medical Center; Martinez, CA*
○ Fulltime clinical faculty
○ Representative to residency curriculum committee.

Health Policy/Research:

- 2006-2008 *Columbia University Center on Medicine as a Profession, Physician Advocacy Fellowship*
Lead an effort to integrate public health concerns into the federal environmental impact statement (EIS) process, in partnership with Alaska Native tribes and communities. This work represents the first successful effort to include a broad-based, systematic evaluation of public health concerns in a federal EIS. We are using the methodology of Health Impact Assessment (HIA). We have begun building partnerships between impacted tribal communities, federal and state regulators, and local and tribal health agencies to address the health impacts of industrial development within the environmental planning and regulatory process.
- 2007 *Robert Wood Johnson Advancing Public Health and Policy Solutions*
Two year grant awarded to continue Health Impact Assessment work described above.
- 1995 *Pacific Center for Violence Prevention*
Worked with tenants' rights group to plan community meeting and design a survey on youth and violence in public housing.
- 1991-1993 *Crown Point, Navajo Reservation*
Master's thesis: descriptive study the role of IHS medical services in socio-cultural change, lifestyles, health behaviors, and reliance on traditional Navajo healers.

- 1987-1989 *Columbia University and UCSF*
 Research Assistant. Studied mechanisms of enzyme catalysis and protein structure using site-directed mutagenesis and X-ray crystallography.
- Clinical:
- 2005-present *Chief Andrew Isaac Health Center*
 Physician for Athabascan and Inupiat patients in Interior Alaska. Full-spectrum inpatient and outpatient family practice.
- 2003-2005 *Interior Community Health Center*
 Physician for federally qualified health center serving Interior Alaska's underserved population. Shared inpatient and on-call responsibilities for Alaskan Native patients.
- 2001-2003 *Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta Regional Medical Center; Bethel, AK*
- Physician for Yup'ik Eskimo tribe; supervise residents, medical students, and mid-levels
 - Chair of Surgery Department
- 1999 *East Bay Family Practice; Berkeley, CA*
 Physician in urban family practice. Full-spectrum inpatient and outpatient practice, with pediatrics and obstetrics.

Publications:

- Wernham, A. (2007) Inupiat health and proposed Alaskan oil development: results of the first integrated Health Impact Assessment/Environmental Impact Statement for oil development on Alaska's North Slope. *Ecohealth (in press)*
- Wernham, A. (2007) Health Impact Assessment (under subheading of "Environmental Justice"). In U.S. Minerals Management Service: *Outer Continental Shelf Oil & Gas Leasing Program: 2007-2012 Final Environmental Impact Statement*. Washington, DC: Minerals Management Service.
- Wernham, A. (2007) Health Impact Assessment (under subheading of "Public Health"). In U.S. Bureau of Land Management: *Northeast NPR-A Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement*. Anchorage, AK: Bureau of Land Management
- Wernham, A. Conservation and Public Health: a Northern Perspective. *The Northern Line*. 2004. 26 (4) 11, 18
- Wernham, A. The interaction between traditional medicine and the Indian Health Service on the Navajo Reservation [Master's Thesis]. Berkeley, CA: U.C. Berkeley, 1994

Languages

Spanish