

Welcome and John C. MacQueen Memorial Lecture



Stephanie Birch, RNC, MPH, MS, FNP
 AMCHP President and Section Chief
 Women’s Children’s and Family Health
 Division of Public Health
 Alaska Department of Health and Social Services

Education

Institution and Location	Degree	Year Completed	Field of Study
University of Alaska, Anchorage	MS- FNP	2007	Master’s Nursing
Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, CA	MPH	2001	Maternal-Child
Mankato State University, Mankato, MN	BSN	1982	Nursing
Gustavus Adolphus, St. Peter, MN	BA	1979	Biology

MAJOR PROFESSIONAL INTEREST(S)

Prevention, early identification and intervention in women’s and children’s health

RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

State of Alaska, Department of Health and Social Services October 1, 2004 -present

Division of Health Care Services: Title V and CSHCN Director
 Section Chief Women’s , Children’s and Family Health Unit

Responsible for overall assessment , planning, implementation, evaluation and fiscal management of multiple complex programs and services provided by the Women’s, Children’s & Family Health unit.

State of Alaska, Department of Health and Social Services July 1, 2001- October 1, 2004

Division of Health Care Services & Division of Public Health
 Children’ Health Unit Manager

Responsible for overall assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation as well as fiscal management of multiple children’s health programs for the two divisions.

Providence Alaska Medical Center February 1995-July 2001
 Anchorage, Alaska

The Children’s Hospital at Providence Administrator
Provided senior executive leadership to The Children’s Hospital including overall administration of tertiary and comprehensive systems of care delivery for maternity, newborn intensive care, pediatric and pediatric intensive care for children and their families as well as pediatric and high risk maternity subspecialty clinics and other ambulatory services for newborn through adolescence.

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Michael Lu, MD

Associate Administrator

Maternal and Child Health Bureau

Health Resources and Services Administration

Michael C. Lu, MD, MPH is the Associate Administrator for Maternal and Child Health (Maternal and Child Health Bureau Director). He was formerly an associate professor of obstetrics & gynecology and public health at UCLA. Dr. Lu received his bachelor's degrees from Stanford University, master's degrees from UC Berkeley, medical degree from UC San Francisco, and residency training in obstetrics & gynecology from UC Irvine. He is widely recognized for his research, teaching and clinical care. Dr. Lu received the 2003 Coalition for Excellence in MCH Epidemiology Young Professional Achievement Award, and the 2004 American Public Health Association Young Professional Award for his research on perinatal health disparities.

He has served on Institute of Medicine (IOM) Committees on Understanding Prematurity and Committee to Reexamine Pregnancy Weight Guidelines, as well as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Select Panel on Preconception Care. He was Study Location Principal Investigator for the National Children's Study in Los Angeles. He also chaired the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Infant Mortality (SACIM). Prior to his appointment at HRSA, Dr. Lu taught obstetrics and gynecology at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, and maternal and child health at the UCLA School of Public Health. He has received numerous awards for his teaching, including Excellence in Teaching Awards from the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics. Dr. Lu also saw patients at the faculty group practice in obstetrics and gynecology at UCLA Medical Center, and has been voted one of the Best Doctors in America since 2005.



Michael R. Fraser, PhD, CAE

Chief Executive Officer

Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs

Michael Fraser, PhD has over 14 years of public health agency and national association experience supporting and serving federal, state, and local public health agencies. Dr. Fraser is currently the Chief Executive Officer of the Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs in Washington, DC. Dr. Fraser has been CEO of AMCHP since August, 2007. In 2009 he received a “Young and Aspiring CEO” award from Association Trends magazine and in 2010 he earned his Certified Association Executive (CAE) credential. During his tenure, AMCHP has been nationally recognized for its work in supporting state maternal and child health programs, most recently by receiving the Maternal and Child Health Bureau’s Director’s Award in October 2010 and the American Public Health Association’s MCH Section “Outstanding Leadership and Advocacy” award in November 2010. Prior to joining AMCHP, Dr. Fraser was the Deputy Executive Director of the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) from 2002 to 2007. Prior to that he was a Regional Program Manager with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) from 2001 to 2002, and a Senior Staff Fellow at the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) from 2000 to 2001. Prior to HRSA he was a Senior Research Analyst and Program Manager with NACCHO from 1998 to 2000 and a Research Scientist with Aspen Systems Corporation from 1997 to 1998. Dr. Fraser received his doctorate in sociology from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in May 1997 and his M.A. in sociology in 1994. Dr. Fraser received his B.A. in sociology from Oberlin College in 1991.

In 2002 Dr. Fraser received a Distinguished Service Award from Secretary of Health and Human Services Tommy Thompson for exemplary teamwork, productivity, organization and scientific excellence demonstrated during the public health emergency response to the World Trade Center and Pentagon terrorist attacks and the anthrax investigation. That same year he also received a Certificate of Appreciation from the CDC Office of the Director for participation in the response to the anthrax events of 2001. In 2001 Dr. Fraser received a Certificate of Appreciation from the HRSA Bureau of Primary Health Care.

Dr. Fraser has published several research articles and professional publications and is on the adjunct faculty at the University of Maryland’s University College. He is an avid student of leadership and believes a good leader is always trying to catch up with his followers. When not at AMCHP he is usually cooking, singing, doing yard work or reading.