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EDUCATION:

Rutgers College, Rutgers University
New Brunswick, New Jersey
Bachelor of Arts Degree 1973
Major Area: Anthropology, with major emphasis in Bacteriology

The Johns Hopkins University
School of Hygiene and Public Health
Baltimore, Maryland
Masters Degree in Public Health 1975
Major Area: Environmental Health with major emphasis in Epidemiology

Columbia University
School of Public Health
New York, New York
Special Student - Fall 1976
Major Area: Agency Administration, Public Health Administration
(including Public Health Law at Columbia Law School)

Pacific Western University
Los Angeles, California
Doctor of Philosophy 1985

Dissertation: "Identification, Disinfection, and Quality Control Intervention of *Salmonella typhimurium* in the Shrimp Industry"
Major Area: Environmental Health

Environmental & Public Health Consultants Since 1980

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PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND REGISTRATION:

Registered Sanitarian:
National Environmental Health Association
Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
Florida Environmental Health Association
Certificate for Seafood HACCP Course
Presented by Seafood HACCP Alliance &
The Association of Food and Drug Officials
(satisfies mandatory training requirement –
[FDA] 21 CFR, part 123.10)

State of New Jersey Department of Health Certified Instructor:
Foodservice Management Certification Program

State of New Jersey Department of Health Licenses:
Health Officer
Sanitary Inspector, First Grade (not renewed)
Public Health Laboratory Technician (not renewed)

State of New Jersey Department of Education Certificate (not renewed):
Part-time Teacher of Vocational and Technical Occupations

Certified Pesticide Applicator (not renewed):
State of New Jersey - Department of Environmental Protection
State of Maryland - Department of Agriculture

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

Diplomate, American Academy of Sanitarians
American Public Health Association
National Environmental Health Association
Metropolitan Assoc. of Dairy, Food and Environmental Specialists
Central Atlantic States Association of Food and Drug Officials
Association of Food and Drug Officials
Institute of Food Technologists
Maryland Association of Sanitarians
Association for Practitioners in Infection Control
Maryland Public Health Association
American Association of Analytical Chemists
American Association of Blood Banks
Society for Epidemiologic Research
American Society for Microbiology

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International Association for Food Protection
Society for Foodservice Management
Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference
United States Animal Health Association
Infectious Diseases Society of America

PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEES:

International Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE) Expert Forum,
USMEF and NCBA, 2004, 2005

Member, Committee for Curriculum Development,
State of Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Office of
Environmental Programs), 1984-1986

Consultant, Maryland Bar Association - AIDS issues

Member, The Joint Medicolegal Committee on AIDS (The Medical and
Chirurgical Faculty of the State of Maryland and the Maryland Bar
Association)

Consultant to the Assistant Surgeon General, Centers for Disease Control,
Atlanta, Georgia:
Vessel Sanitation Inspection Program - January 1989

REVIEWER:

Journal of Environmental Health, National Environmental Health
Association, 1993 -
American Journal of Public Health, American Public Health Association,
1994 -

PUBLICATIONS:

Private Label: August/September 1980
"The Role of Sanitation in Quality Control as It Impacts the Private Label
Industry"
December/January 1981
"Private Label Buyers: A Guide to Plant Inspections"
Food Management: February 1981
College Service Administration: October 1981
"A Cockroach in Your Soup: How to Best Secure Competent Pest Control
Services at Colleges"

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Occupational Health Nursing: February 1982
"Occupational Health Nursing Impacting on Environmental Sanitation"

Proceedings of the Thirty-Seventh Annual Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Institute:
May 1986
"Successfully Importing Food into the United States"

Independent Restaurant: July 1986
"Check Sanitation Practices Against the Unchecked AIDS Crisis"

Journal of Off-Premise Catering: November/December 1984
"Eat Drink & Be Wary?"

American Review of Respiratory Diseases: October 1989 issue
"Allergic Bronchopulmonary Aspergillosis from a Contaminated Dump Site"
Co-authored with V. Kurup, Ph.D., and J. Fink, M.D.

Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology: September 1993 issue
Letter to the Editor:
"Nosocomial Aspergillosis in Lymphoma Patients"

Meat Science: 2005
Review:
"The Science of Recalls"
Co-authored with D. Coto and J. D. Weidner.

Refrigerated & Frozen Foods: January 2007 issue;
"Mitigate *Listeria* risks: Precautions at the processing level can go a long way when liability comes into question"
Co-authored with D. Coto and P. McNeela.

Trends: 2009 – Vol. 11, Issue 2 (final)
"Excellence in Food Safety in a Sea of Pathogens: The Challenge for Health Care Food and Nutrition Departments"

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CIVIC ACTIVITIES:

Member, Board of Trustees, Rutgers Community Health (Federally
Qualified H.M.O.) 1977-1978

Member, Advisory Committee on Physician's Assistants, College of
Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey 1977-1978

Sponsor Parent, United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland
1987-2007

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

03/80 to Present

EHA Consulting Group, Inc.
(formerly ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATES, LTD.)
d/b/a EpiHealth Associates
Baltimore, Maryland

Position: President

Duties: Provide consultation, inspection epidemiological consultation and training for Presidents and Vice Presidents of Corporations and for Operating Officers of Universities, Health Care Facilities, Cruise Ship Lines, Museums, Zoos and Domestic and International Government Agencies. Provide expert testimony and investigation in legal matters and proceedings to companies, attorneys, and trade associations, as well as the Office of the Public Defender, State of Maryland. Provide epidemiological investigation for environmentally associated and/or infectious diseases.

09/79 to 1985

ESSEX COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Baltimore County Maryland

Position: Adjunct Professor

Duties: Coordinate and teach Maryland State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Approved Certified Course in Foodservice Sanitation Management. Additionally, participate as lecturer in the Maryland State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Sanitarian Training Course, Principles of Environmental Health.

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11/78 to 03/80

CITY OF BALTIMORE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
111 North Calvert Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Position: Director, Environmental Health - Bureau of Food Control

Duties: Administer, plan, and direct the Bureau's activities which include responsibility for inspection of all retail, wholesale, food processors, and warehouses in the City of Baltimore, as well as the investigation of outbreaks of food, water, and milk borne diseases.

03/76 to 11/78

TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS
430 Park Avenue
Scotch Plains, New Jersey

Position: Health Officer and Director of the Department of Health

Duties: Administrative and field responsibilities for a population of 23,000. Responsibilities include supervision of departmental employees, program development in personal, environmental, and health education activities, and supervision of contracts for nursing services and animal control.

09/73 to 03/76

STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Consumer Health Services
1911 Princeton Avenue
Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Position: Sanitarian

Duties: Sanitary inspections of retail and wholesale food establishments, health care facilities, colleges and universities, correctional facilities, camps/day care centers, including individual water and sewage systems. Investigation of outbreaks of food, water and milk borne disease outbreaks.

ACADEMIC LECTURES:

Cook College, Rutgers University
New Brunswick, New Jersey
Environmental Health and Law

Essex Community College
Baltimore, Maryland
Environmental Epidemiology -
Maryland State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Training
Course for County Health Officials.

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HACCP Training for County Health Officials - Maryland State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Course.

East Carolina State University
Greenville, North Carolina
Environmental Health: Food borne disease Epidemiology.
1983

University of Maryland
BSN Program - School of Nursing
Baltimore, Maryland
Epidemiology of AIDS and Hepatitis B
1987 and 1988

University of Maryland
School of Social Work
Baltimore, Maryland
Epidemiology of AIDS and Hepatitis B
1989

University of Maryland
BSN Program - School of Nursing
Baltimore, Maryland
Epidemiology of AIDS
Fall of 1990

The State of Israel
Ministry of Health
The Chaim Sheba Medical Center
(affiliated to The Tel Aviv University)
Sackler School of Medicine

Department of Clinical Epidemiology
Tel-Hashomer, Israel
The Epidemiology of AIDS in the United States and Its Impact on the Blood Supply
Spring of 1992

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Towson State University
Mental Health and Stress Management Course
Baltimore, Maryland
Peer Pressure, Sensitivity and Relations
Fall, 1996; Spring, 1997

University of Maryland at Baltimore
School of Law
Baltimore, Maryland
Food and Drug Law Seminar
1997-2000

University of Maryland
School of Public Health
College Park, Maryland
Dean's Symposium
May, 2010

INVITED
ADDRESSES:
2000 - Present

Third International Conference on Molluscan Shellfish Safety
Long Island University – Southampton College, New York, NY, USA
“*Vibrio vulnificus*: Public problem or individual responsibility?”
Keynote Lecture
June 20, 2000

American Meat Institute - Washington, DC
“Basic Epidemiology”
August 16, 2001

American Meat Institute - Atlanta, GA
“The Anatomy of an Investigation”
January 14, 2002

FSIS, USDA Public Meeting - Decatur, GA
“Applied Epidemiology and Other Vital Public Health Tools To
Inform Food Safety Actions”
Outbreak Panelist
January 29, 2002

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NFPA Special Situations Committee - Washington, DC
"How the Government Reaches Epidemiological Conclusions"
March 12, 2002

National Turkey Federation - Washington, DC
"The Epidemiology of *Listeria monocytogenes*"
December 11, 2002

Food Safety Summit 2003 - Washington, DC, USA
"Crisis Management Boot Camp"
March 18, 2003

Community Associations Institute, Chesapeake Region Chapter-
Baltimore, MD
"Mold ... The Newest Community Hazard?"
June 11, 2003

National Turkey Federation - Savannah, GA
"Recall Management Workshop"
February 9, 2004

People's Republic of China - Beijing, China
"BSE and CJD: The U.S. Public Health Surveillance and Approach to
Human Disease Prevention"
January, 2005

Republic of Korea - Seoul, South Korea
"BSE and CJD: The U.S. Public Health Surveillance and Approach to
Human Disease Prevention"
January, 2005

Japan - Tokyo, Japan
"BSE and CJD: The U.S. Public Health Surveillance and Approach to
Human Disease Prevention"
April, 2005

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Republic of China - Taipei, Taiwan

"BSE and CJD: The U.S. Public Health Surveillance and Approach to Human Disease Prevention"

June, 2005

National Turkey Federation - Washington, DC

"Prevalence and Surveillance of *Salmonella* in Poultry"

July 11, 2005

National Meat Association - Victoria, BC, Canada

Annual Summer Conference

"An Overview of BSE Screening and Confirmatory Tests"

August 18, 2005

U.S. Animal Health Association Committee on Salmonella - Hershey, PA

"Salmonella Performance Standards for Poultry: An Epidemiological Perspective"

November 8, 2005

International Livestock Congress - Houston, TX

"One World, No Barriers, Infinite Possibilities for Global Health"

March 1, 2006 - Keynote Address

Illinois Environmental Health Association (IEHA)

Annual Education Conference - Peoria, IL

"Public Health's Role in an Outbreak Investigation"

October 25, 2007 - Keynote Address

Food Safety Summit 2008 - Washington, DC, USA

"Cold Chain Management and Food Safety HACCP Principle # 4: Monitor and Record each CCP"

March 18, 2008

Food Safety Summit 2008 - Washington, DC, USA

"Your Food Safety Program: Integrating HACCP Principle #6 for Cold Chain Management"

March 19, 2008

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Annual Conference - Columbus, OH
International Association for Food Protection
"Recommendations and Questions of Clean Up and Liability of Norovirus
a.k.a. Yack and Puke: On the Sea, in Casino Hotels, Health Care Facilities
and in the Community"
August 4, 2008

Florida Association of Food Protection
Annual Education Conference
Miami Beach, Florida
"Food Safety - Everyone's Business Who's Responsibility?"
May 5, 2010

Annual Conference - Milwaukee, WI
International Association for Food Protection
"Parasites and Foodborne Illness"
August 2, 2011

**NATIONAL/
INTERNATIONAL
MEDIA
APPEARANCES:**

ABC Morning News
HIV 1 & 2 testing as well as P24 antigen testing for the
nation's blood supply.
November, 1991

Global Vision, Toronto, Canada
Health effects of composting as it relates to allergic and immuno-
compromised populations.
October, 1992

NPR Interview
BSE issues
March, 2006

Fox National News
Food Safety in Light of Japanese Reactor Failures
March, 2011

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INVITED TESTIMONY: New York City Council

Health effects of composting as it relates to allergic and immuno-compromised populations.

June, 1992

U.S. House of Representatives

Health effects of composting as it relates to allergic and immuno-compromised populations.

October, 1992

INTERNATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS:

China (People's Republic) – Beijing and Hong Kong

France

Germany

Israel

Italy

Japan

South Korea (Republic of Korea)

Spain

Taiwan (Republic of China)

Thailand

United Kingdom (England and Scotland)

Vietnam