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UCSF SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY PROFESSOR JANE WEINTRAUB INSTALLED AS PRESIDENT OF AAPHD

Jane Weintraub, Lee Hysan Professor and Chair of the Division of Oral Epidemiology and Dental Public Health in the School of Dentistry, will be installed as President of the American Association of Public Health Dentistry (AAPHD) during the 2004 National Oral Health Conference (NOHC) on May 4 in Los Angeles.

Weintraub has had extensive research experience in dental public health projects related to dental caries prevention and oral epidemiology. She is director of the multi-disciplinary Center to Address Disparities in Children's Oral Health. This center, funded by an \$11,000,000 grant from the National Institutes of Health, aims to understand, prevent and reduce oral health disparities in young children, with a primary focus on preventing early childhood tooth decay.

In addition to research, Weintraub has been involved with several national health policy activities. She helped develop the national Healthy People 2000 and 2010 oral health objectives. Additionally, she was one of the scientific editors and contributing authors for the first Surgeon General's Report on Oral Health. Recently, she assisted in development of the American Dental Association's Future of Dentistry Report. Weintraub has been a professor at the School of Dentistry since 1995.

The AAPHD, founded in 1937, is the professional organization for public health dentistry, but membership is open to all those interested in improving the oral health of the public. The NOHC is the joint annual meeting of the AAPHD and the American Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, to be held this year in Los Angeles.

A graduate of Stony Brook University's School of Dental Medicine, Weintraub received a Masters of Public Health degree from the Harvard University School of Public Health (1980) and a Postdoctoral Certificate in Dental Care Administration from the Harvard School of Dental Medicine (1982). In 1985, she became the youngest person and fourth woman ever to be board certified in dental public health. Prior to coming to UCSF, she was on the faculty at the Harvard School of Dental Medicine and the University of Michigan and University of North Carolina Schools of Dentistry and Public Health.

Weintraub is the recipient of two awards from the American Association of Public Health Dentistry, the 1998 President's Award, and the 1999 Special Merit Award. She has served as a reviewer and editorial board member of numerous dental journals. Her publications include 50 original articles and book chapters, including first authorship of a textbook on data analysis for dental health care professionals. She has been a consultant and special reviewer for the National Institutes of Health, the American Dental Association's Commission on Dental Accreditation, and the Kaiser Permanente Center for Health Research, to name but a few.

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