On October 16, 2014, Joe Flannery, MS, MHA was formally recognized for his twenty years of service to The Joint Commission. The event took place in Chicago and was presided over by Dr. Mark R. Chassin, MD, MPP, MPH, and President of The Joint Commission.

Below is the photo and brief write up from the official program.

JOE FLANNERY, MS, MHA
POQUOSON, VA/ACSC/HAP/PCMH/BPH,
SURVEYOR ON COMPLIANCE COUNCIL FOR THE PAST 5+ YEARS.

Describe yourself in three words or less: Deeds above words

What is the best meal you’ve ever had? Cordon Bleu with spaetzle in Germany

What is your favorite season and why? Summer for bass fishing

If you weren’t in your current joint Commission position, what would you like to do? Teach leadership and management to graduate students and aspiring health professionals.

Joe served as the MPH Program's Interim Director from 2012 - 2014 and continues to teach in the Health Management and Policy track.

Joe's leadership/management experiences continue to make a positive difference for our students and therefore, our MPH Program. In addition, Joe is now teaching for the University of Maryland's School of Public Health. His twenty years of dedicated service to The Joint Commission as a surveyor and educator is a significant landmark.
achievement and one that we are pleased to share with him. Joe's focus on improving health care delivery nationwide has helped many organizations help patients they serve to receive high quality care. Joe remains committed to continue his work with EVMS and The Joint Commission for the foreseeable future.

Some Holiday Tips from the CDC

So many things to accomplish this winter season. So many opportunities for things to go wrong. Here are a few helpful tips from the CDC to help keep you and your loved ones safe.

- Wash your hands often this season, it helps keep you from getting sick as well as from spreading germs to others.
- Handle and prepare food safely. Be sure to avoid cross-contamination by keeping raw meats, poultry, seafood, and eggs away from ready-to-eat food. Cook foods to proper temperatures and refrigerate promptly. Do not keep perishable food sitting out longer than two hours.
- Dress for the colder weather by layering your clothing.
- If you are traveling make sure that you have a blanket, water, jumper cables, ice scraper, shovel, flash light, first aid kit, and a cell phone in your vehicle. Make sure you have checked your windshield wiper fluid and antifreeze levels. For more information on preparing your car for the winter click here.
- Don't drink and drive and don't let your friends drink and drive.

Be safe this holiday season!

SAVE THE DATE

National Public Health Week is April 6-12, 2015
This year's theme is "Healthiest Nation in One Generation - 2030"

According to NPHW.Org, the U.S. spends more on health care than other comparable countries and numerous studies show that we live shorter lives and struggle with more health issues such as obesity, infant mortality, diabetes, heart
disease and more. And this is true for Americans of all ages and socio-economic groups. For more information on what National Public Health Week is and how you can get involved go to http://www.nphw.org/2015

MPH Class of 2015 is working on the schedule of events for the EVMS/ODU Public Health Week. More information to come on how you can locally get involved with Public Health Week.

Publications and Presentations

**Dr. Mariana Szklo-Coxe had an article published in the month of November:**

**Dr. Hind Baydoun had two articles accepted for publication in November:**


**Dr. Tina Cunningham had two presentations at the APHA Conference. They are as follows:**

Cunningham TD, Edwards EJ, Jones MD. The Effects of Mobile Phone Use on Anxiety, Dependency, and Sleep in Medical and Health Professions Graduate Level Students. American Psychological Association Annual Meeting. New Orleans, November 2014.

Pictured above are Chelsea Saia, Dr. Cunningham, and Laura Nnadi. Picture was taken at the APHA Conference in New Orleans.
Interested in the MPH Program?

EVMS and ODU have partnered to develop an interdisciplinary program that trains students in bettering public health and preventing disease and disability around the world. Take a look at what an MPH degree from EVMS/ODU can offer you...

*Health Promotion*: Provides students with an understanding of public health sciences along with skills in the expanding field of healthcare promotion in private organizations, as well as local, district and state health departments.

*Epidemiology*: Provides students with a well-structured curriculum of experiential learning analyzing the cause, pattern, and control of disease and conditions that affect populations.

*Health Management and Policy*: Provides students with knowledge and field experience in both public and private healthcare sector organizations. Students have the opportunity to engage with faculty research and in community service through academic courses or in student/program sponsored volunteer efforts.

*Global Environmental Health*: This track familiarizes students with a broad range of 21st century issues at the local, national, and international levels. Global Environmental Health graduates work in government, the uniformed services, not-for-profit organizations, the private sector and international organizations.

*MD/MPH*: A five year dual degree program for students admitted in the EVMS MD Program. The MPH degree supplements the MD students’ medical education with skills involving the health of populations.

To see the detailed curriculum and information regarding tuition and the application process, please visit us online at [www.evms.edu/mph](http://www.evms.edu/mph) or call us at 757-446-6120.

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