

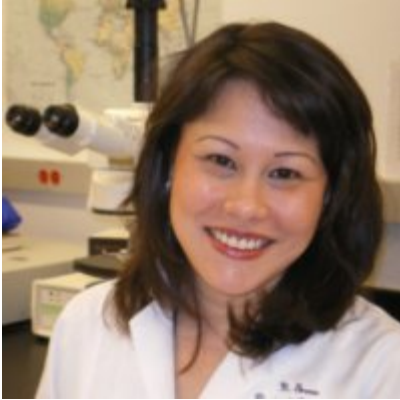
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NICOLE M. GREEN, PhD, D(ABMM)

Laboratory Director, Los Angeles County Public Health Laboratories



Dr. Nicole Green is the Laboratory Director for the Los Angeles County Public Health Laboratories. She received a Bachelor of Science degree with Honors in Biology and a minor in Microbiology from California State University, Los Angeles. Her doctoral degree in Microbiology was awarded from the University of California, Davis. She has worked at a number of institutions including UC Davis, NIAID-NIH Rocky Mountain Laboratories, Baylor College of Medicine, and The Methodist Hospital Research Institute. She completed a Lab Aspire fellowship through the UC Berkeley School of Public Health and the California Department of Public Health-Microbial Diseases Laboratory where she trained in public health and clinical microbiology. Dr. Green joined the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health in 2010 as the Assistant Laboratory Director and became the Laboratory Director in 2013. In 2014, Nikki was awarded the Public Health Excellence award by the Department for her

contributions and advancement of the public health laboratory. In 2016, she was awarded the Thomas E. Maxon Education, Training, and Workforce Development award from the Association of Public Health Laboratories. She serves as Secretary for the Southern California American Society for Microbiology and is active on various committees for the Association of Public Health Laboratories. As an adjunct assistant professor at the UCLA Fielding School of Public Health and adjunct clinical assistant professor at Keck School of Medicine of USC, she is passionate about teaching and is committed to workforce development and training for microbiologists, residents, and fellows. Her research interests include molecular epidemiology, comparative genomics, and evaluation of new diagnostic methods. Dr. Green is a board-certified medical microbiologist, medical technologist, and public health microbiologist.

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ZENDA BERRADA, PhD, PHLD(ABB),D(ABMM)

Laboratory Director, San Mateo County Public Health Laboratory



Zenda L. Berrada is the laboratory director of San Mateo County Public Health Laboratory in San Mateo, CA. Her experience in public health laboratories spans within all levels of government for the past twenty years. She began her career in public health laboratory in 1994 at the CDC Division of Vector-Borne Infectious Diseases in Fort Collins, Colorado where she worked on plague and tularemia diagnostics and other research projects. From there, she went to work for the Massachusetts State Laboratory Institute where she worked in the Arbovirus Surveillance Program, the Bioterrorism and Advanced Technologies Laboratory, and subsequently supervised the Boston Biowatch Laboratory. She concurrently worked on research projects focused on tick-borne diseases at the Harvard School of Public Health.

Zenda received her Bachelor of Science degree in Microbiology from Colorado State University and her doctoral degree in Biomedical Sciences with an emphasis in Infectious Diseases at Tufts University Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine in Massachusetts. She was a LabAspire postdoctoral fellow at the California Department of Public Health from 2009-2011 and received her certification as a California Public Health Microbiologist in 2010. Zenda received her D(ABMM) and PHLD(ABB) board certifications in 2012 and joined the San Mateo County Public Health Laboratory as its Assistant Lab Director in the same year. She became San Mateo County Public Health Laboratory Director in 2014. In 2015/2016 she served on the CAPHLD Executive Council as a Representative At-Large and has recently been appointed to the Clinical Laboratory Technical Advisory Committee (CLTAC) representative for CAPHLD beginning January 2018.

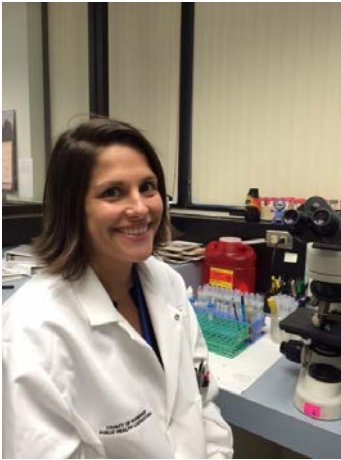
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MEGAN CRUMPLER, PhD, HCLD(ABB)

Laboratory Director, Orange County Public Health Laboratory



Megan Crumpler received her bachelor's degree in Microbiology and Cell Science from the University of Florida in Gainesville, FL. She obtained her PhD in Microbiology and Immunology from the Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) in Richmond, VA where she studied the immune evasion techniques of Cytomegalovirus on guinea pigs. She successfully completed the doctoral program in 2008 and went on to do a one-year post-doctoral fellowship at VCU in the Infectious Disease Division where she studied gut inflammatory markers released in HIV-infected patients.

In 2009, she moved to California and assumed a Supervising Public Health Microbiologist (PHM) position at the Riverside County Public Health Laboratory.

In May 2014, following completion of her laboratory director training and board certification by the American Board of Bioanalysis as a High-Complexity Clinical Laboratory Director, she was promoted to Laboratory Director. In April 2017, Megan accepted the Laboratory Director position at the Orange County Public Health Laboratory. She also remains as interim director at the Riverside County Public Health Laboratory.

Megan is an active member of CAPHLD and currently serves as CAPHLD's Secretary-Treasurer, co-chair of CAPHLD's Program Planning Committee, and CAPHLD's representative to the CA Department of Public Health's Reportable Diseases Subcommittee.

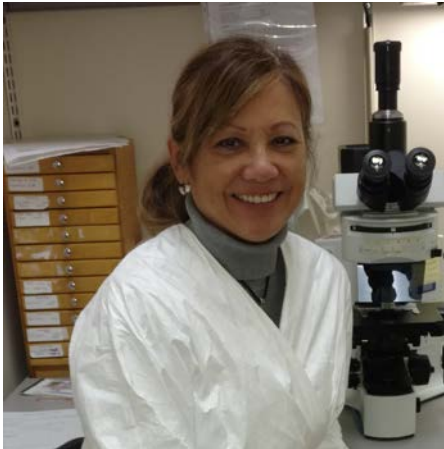
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Representative-at-Large (North)

Donna Ferguson, PhD

Laboratory Director, Monterey County Public Health Laboratory



Donna Ferguson has been the Laboratory Director for Monterey County Public Health Laboratory since May 2016. After receiving a B.S. in Microbiology with honors from California State University, Long Beach in 1986, Donna began her career as a Public Health Microbiologist (PHM) at Orange County Public Health Laboratory (OCPHL). In 1988, she worked at San Diego Public Health Laboratory as a PHM. In 1993, Donna received M.S. in Epidemiology from UCLA and worked at Metropolitan Water District of Southern California on waterborne pathogen detection methods and investigations at drinking water reservoirs. In 2002, she returned to OCPHL to supervise the Water Quality Laboratory and oversee Microbial Source Tracking (MST) related research projects.

From 2007 - 2013, she worked as a research microbiologist at Southern California Coastal Water Project on MST studies. In 2009, she received a Lab Aspire fellowship at the UCLA Fielding School of Public Health and in 2014, Donna graduated with honors with a doctoral degree in Environmental Health Sciences. Her dissertation studies included characterizing *Enterococcus* species using phenotypic and genotypic methods to assess potential sources of pollution to water and associated human health risks. In 2014, Donna worked at Placer County Public Health Laboratory as the Laboratory Supervisor and Bioterrorism Coordinator. In 2015, she became the Assistant Laboratory Director at Monterey County Public Health Laboratory.

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Representative-at-Large (South)

DENISE VON BARGEN

Laboratory Director, Ventura County Public Health Laboratory



Denise Von Barga is the laboratory director of the Ventura County Public Health Laboratory, a position she's held since 2015. Denise oversees the overall laboratory operations including environmental, surveillance, and outbreak investigation testing in support of the programs at Ventura County Department of Health Services. She strives to promote and advance public health laboratory practice to protect the health of the public, a mission she aligns not only with her own agency, but with CAPHLD as well.

Denise received her Bachelors of Science degree in Medical Microbiology and Bacteriology from San Diego State University and received her public health microbiology

training at San Diego County Public Health Laboratory under Muriel Thompson. She moved to Ventura County where she started her career as a microbiologist, left to join the pharmaceutical industry and other 501(c)(3) organizations, then came back to re-join Ventura County Public Health Laboratory as their Supervising Microbiologist in 2007.

Denise enjoys teaching and works to ensure that the next generation of public health microbiologists trained in her laboratory have a solid foundation in microbiology, a fundamental that will help CAPHLD strengthen its foundation in partnering with each other to benefit the public health laboratory community.

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JEREMY CORRIGAN, MS, PHM II

Bioterrorism Coordinator / Laboratory Manager / ELAP Laboratory Director
Humboldt County Public Health Laboratory



Jeremy Corrigan is the Laboratory Manager of the Humboldt County Public Health Laboratory (HCPHL). Originally from Alaska, Jeremy moved to California in 1999 to attend Humboldt State University. In 2004, he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Cellular and Molecular Biology with a minor in Chemistry. Thereafter, he volunteered at the Child Family Health International (CFHI) Global Health Education Program in South Africa where he received his first exposure to the core mission and functions of

public health and field experience in global health. Jeremy came back to California to train as a Public Health Microbiologist and obtained his certificate in 2007. He was hired at Sonoma County Public Health Laboratory and worked there as a microbiologist for 3 years.

In 2010, Jeremy returned to Humboldt State University to get his Master of Science degree in Biology where he wrote his thesis on, "Investigation of Spotted Fever Group *Rickettsia* in Dogs and Ticks in Northern California." Subsequently, Jeremy was hired at Humboldt County Public Health Laboratory where he now serves as its Laboratory Manager, ELAP Laboratory Director, and Bioterrorism Coordinator.

Jeremy is an active member of CAPHLD. He has served on the Training Committee and currently serves as CAPHLD's Comptroller, a member of the Program Planning Committee and is CAPHLD's CEU Coordinator. He has a strong interest in molecular diagnostics and laboratory bioterrorism preparedness and has developed several assays including multiplex *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* (Vp) PCR assay for the detection of pathogenic Vp in oysters, and microbial source tracking assays for monitoring recreational waterways. As a LabAspire fellow, Jeremy is on the Doctorate of Public Health Laboratory Science program at the University of South Florida. His goal is to obtain his Dr.P.H., become board certified, and become one of California's Public Health Laboratory Directors.

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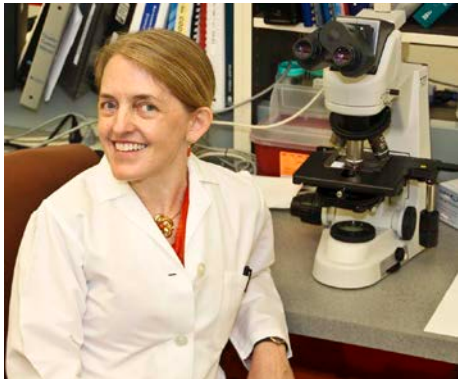
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Past President

KATYA LEDIN, PhD, MPH, HCLD(ABB)

Laboratory Director, Napa-Solano-Yolo-Marin Counties



Katya Ledin is the Laboratory Director of the Napa-Solano-Yolo-Marin County Public Health Laboratory located in Fairfield, California. This regional laboratory serves a combined population of 1.1 million residents in a four-county area with a workforce of eight Public Health Microbiologists and four Laboratory Technicians. Katya received a Bachelor of Science in Biology from the University of California, Davis, a Master's of Science in Entomology from Clemson University, a Master's in Public Health from the Johns Hopkins University, and a Doctorate in Entomology from the University of Georgia. She has worked in academic and

applied research on vector-borne diseases, performing laboratory studies on immunology and disease transmission, field surveys, evaluations of public health interventions and vector colony maintenance for the CDC Division of Vector-Borne Diseases Bacterial Zoonoses Branch, Dengue Branch, Rickettsial Zoonoses Branch, and the Division of Parasitic Diseases. She has experience in communicable disease control and epidemiology at state and local Public Health Departments and has taught science courses for the California State University. Katya became a Public Health Microbiologist in 2008 and a Laboratory Director in 2013. She is co-chair of the CAPHLD Training Committee and has a strong interest in training and mentoring new Public Health Microbiologists.