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**Kristina Hsieh** received her bachelor's degree in Molecular and Cellular Biology, Masters in Public Health and her Doctorate in Public Health (DrPH) from the University of California, Berkeley. During her undergraduate studies, she conducted research on various viral and bacterial pathogens and its effects on various signal

transduction pathways in innate immune signaling.

Her MPH concentration focused on infectious diseases with a specialty in International Health. In 2008, she was selected as a LabAspire Fellow and conducted her doctoral research away from the bench and focused on developing an understanding of the administration and management of public health laboratories, specifically the feasibility of PHLs in California engaging in partnerships to help bolster California's public health laboratory network.

Kristina completed her PHM training in 2012. She worked as a microbiologist until 2014 when she was promoted to a PHM supervisor for the Laboratory Central Services Program for the California Department of Public Health (CPDH). In 2015, she became the PHM supervisor for the Zoonotic and Vectorborne Diseases section for VRDL. In addition to her work in the laboratory, Kristina is an active member of the Public Health Laboratory System Working Group (PHLSWG), a group established to strengthen the PHL system in California by enhancing disease surveillance and preparing and responding to public health threats.