



## Share & Learn Speaker Bios

### Let's Talk About Community Water Fluoridation

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#### Howard Pollick, BDS, MPH

*Health Sciences Clinical Professor, School of Dentistry, UCSF*

Howard Pollick is a health sciences clinical professor in the Department of Preventive & Restorative Dental Sciences in the School of Dentistry at UCSF. He earned his dental degree from Manchester, England, and his public health degree from UC Berkeley. A diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health since 1985, Dr. Pollick is an American Dental Association (ADA) expert spokesperson on fluoridation since 2004, a member of the ADA National Fluoridation Advisory Committee, and a fluoridation consultant to the California Department of Public Health.

#### Marjorie Stocks, MPH

*Fluoridation Consultant, California Dental Association Foundation*

Marjorie Stocks, MPH, directed the California Fluoridation Implementation Project, a statewide endeavor funded by a \$15 million award from The California Endowment, through which she assisted over 10 California communities in implementing fluoridation including Sacramento, Los Angeles, Santa Monica, and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. As a fluoridation consultant for the California Dental Association Foundation, Ms. Stocks worked with local advocates to achieve fluoridation in the City of San Diego and the Santa Clara Valley Water District serving the San Jose area. Currently, Ms. Stocks works with the California Department of Public Health, Office of Oral Health, on a contract at UCSF. Ms. Stocks is an author of the California Fluoridation Manual.

#### Mark Bartson

*Civil Engineer*

Mark is a registered civil engineer. He worked for nearly 40 years in the drinking water field for the State Water Board in various areas of the state. For the last 14 years, he was responsible for the development and implementation of standards for both drinking water and recycled water in California. In addition to work, Mark enjoys being involved with the lives of his five grandchildren and continuing to learn just like them.

#### Evangelin L. Yeeda, BDS, MPH

*Dental Public Health Resident, UCSF*

Evangelin (Eva) L. Yeeda is a passionate and ambitious individual. She recently graduated from her dental public health residency at the UCSF School of Dentistry. Her professional interests include improving patient care and treatment for underserved populations, particularly those experiencing homelessness and low-income and rural communities, and promoting community water fluoridation. She is also dedicated to community engagement and enhancing communication between oral healthcare providers and patients by improving oral healthcare literacy. Her recent focus is on improving public safety through the prevention and control of injuries.

## Jennifer Fitzpatrick, BSDH, RDH

*Health Program Coordinator, Sacramento County Oral Health Program*

Jennifer Fitzpatrick is a registered dental hygienist and program coordinator for Sacramento County LOHP. After practicing clinical dental hygiene for 17 years, Jennifer began her dental public health journey in 2007, serving both the Sacramento County Smile Keepers school-based dental disease prevention program and the Child Health and Disability Prevention program, educating primary care providers in oral health assessment and fluoride varnish application. Jennifer has led Sacramento County LOHP's community water fluoridation outreach and education efforts since 2021.

## Danika Ng, MPH

*Senior Program Coordinator, County of Marin*

Danika Ng is a long-time advocate for public health, health equity, and community empowerment, with over 8 years of experience in working within her community. After graduating with a Master of Public Health from the University of San Francisco in 2017, she started working with the County of Marin in May of 2019 as the Oral Health Program Coordinator for Marin County's Local Oral Health Program and is currently serving as the program's Senior Program Coordinator. Through her time in the county, she has helped create community health worker train-the-trainer events, organized and facilitated school-based dental screening events and in-class oral health education for students, helped pass multiple resolutions within Marin County recognizing February 2020 through 2024 as Children's Dental Health Month, and helped navigate oral health initiatives in Marin County through the coronavirus pandemic. In addition to continuing her work with Marin County's Oral Health Program, she also currently leading a pilot initiative surrounding the utilization of Medi-Cal funding to develop and support Community Health Worker/Promotoras/Representative Programs.