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John Peterson “Pete” Myers is founder, Board Chair and Chief Scientist of Environmental Health Sciences. Myers holds a doctorate in the biological sciences from the University of California, Berkeley and a BA from Reed College.

Pete is on the boards of the Science Communication Network, the Jenifer Altman Foundation and the Food Packaging Forum. Until its merger with Pew Charitable Trusts in 2007, he served as Board Chair of the National Environmental Trust.

He has also served as Board President of the Consultative Group on Biological Diversity, an association of more than forty foundations supporting work on biodiversity, climate, energy and environmental health, and board chair of the H. John Heinz Center for Science, Economics and the Environment. He is an Adjunct Professor of Chemistry at Carnegie Mellon University. He's the father of endocrine disruption science, and wrote the book "Our Stolen Future" on EDCs.
Shanna Swan
Environmental and Reproductive Epidemiologist

Shanna Swan is a professor of Environmental Medicine and Public Health at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, Adjunct Professor in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of California San Francisco, and Senior Scientist at Environmental Health Sciences. Her work examines the impact of environmental exposures on reproductive health and neurodevelopment.

Since 1998 Dr. Swan has conducted multi-center pregnancy cohort studies, which now include more than 1,500 mothers and their children, in order to better understand how prenatal and early childhood exposure to stressors can impact children’s health and development.


Dr. Swan is committed to broadening the impact of this science in order to protect public health and the environment.
Jerrold (Jerry) J. Heindel has a Ph.D. in Biochemistry from the University of Michigan and worked in reproductive biology and toxicology at the University of Texas Medical School at Houston and the University of Mississippi. He moved to the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) and headed their Reproductive and Developmental Toxicology group.

He then moved to the Division of Extramural Research and Training at NIEHS. He was responsible for developing and administering the NIEHS grants program in endocrine disruption, the developmental basis of diseases, and obesity and diabetes for over 25 years. He has coordinated three comprehensive reviews on obesogens.

He is now retired and is currently the director of the Environmental Health Sciences Program, Healthy Environment and Endocrine Disruptor Strategies (HEEDS).
Matt Kayhoe
Director of Solutions

Matt has 30 years consulting to businesses, nonprofits, and start up organizations on change, strategy, and leadership. His career focus has been building alignment in complex settings, and leadership skills for scientists and engineers.

He has worked with EHS for over a decade as an advisor to Pete Meyers, Douglas Fischer, and Shanna Swann, and in 2021, joined full time as Director of Solutions. His responsibility is to ensure EHS has a pathway for impact that supports its mission.

Matt has served on several Boards of community and national nonprofits, which currently includes the Institute for the Study of Energy and Our Future. He continues to consult a handful of nonprofits that are reshaping their sectors, and in JEDI (justice, equity, diversity, inclusion). He lives in Washington DC with his wife, and is kept busy by the hundreds of foster animals that pass through their household.

As a “speaker”, Matt works with community groups to create broader and richer cooperation and coalitions, and accelerate the impact of their efforts. This includes designing and facilitating meetings as an objective, informed partner. When valuable, he can bring EHS’ science expertise into those efforts.
Kristina Marusic is an environmental health reporter at Environmental Health Sciences that covers environmental health and justice for EHN.org and DailyClimate.org with a focus on Pittsburgh and western Pennsylvania.

Kristina has investigated the ways pollution raises rates of cancer, childhood asthma, and mental illness; the health impacts of fracking; and threats from toxic chemicals like PFAS, hazardous waste, and coal ash.

She has received recognition or awards for her reporting on these issues from the Society of Environmental Journalists, the Association of Health Care Journalists, the Society of Professional Journalists, the National Institute of Health Care Management, the Group Against Smog and Pollution, and the Carnegie Science Center.

Kristina’s first book, “A New War on Cancer: The Unlikely Heroes Revolutionizing Prevention,” will be published on May 11, 2022. It’s about an emerging national movement focused on fighting cancer by stopping widespread exposure to carcinogenic chemicals, and it grew out of her reporting for Environmental Health News.

Prior to joining Environmental Health News in 2018, Kristina worked as a freelance journalist and essayist covering a broad range of issues with bylines at CNN, Slate, Vice, Women’s Health, the Washington Post, MTV News, The Advocate, and Bustle, among many others.

She holds an MFA in Nonfiction Writing from the University of San Francisco and is the co-founder of the Pittsburgh chapter of the National Association of LGBTQ Journalists.

SIGNATURE TOPICS

✓ Science storytelling: Translating research for diverse audiences
✓ Preventing exposure to cancer-causing chemicals in our everyday lives
✓ The health impacts of fossil fuels and petrochemicals
✓ Regulatory loopholes and the health impacts of fracking
✓ Childhood exposures and cancer risk

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We have a network of hundreds of scientists across the globe at universities, research institutions and government agencies. Our two websites, EHN.org, DailyClimate.org and HEEDS.org, serve up 3 million pageviews per year and have 120,000 followers on social media. We deliver a mix of daily and weekly newsletters to 12,000 subscribers.

We have won national and international awards for our work. And we are passionate about driving science into public discussion and policy on environmental health, justice and climate issues.
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