

# Success Story

Erie County



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## ECDOH staff invited to present at or attend various conferences

**Dr. Jonrika Malone**, Medical Examiner's Office, was a guest speaker at the January 2010 annual meeting of the WNY Cemetery and Crematory Association regarding the response and role of the Erie County Medical Examiner's Office in the recovery, identification, release, and interment of the victims of Continental Flight #3407.

**Dr. James Woytash, Dr. Dianne Vertes and Dr. Bo Xu**, Medical Examiner's Office, will present a medical abstract titled Comparison of Autopsy Findings of 2009 Pandemic Influenza A (H1N1) with Seasonal Influenza in Four Pediatric Patients at the United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology's (USCAP) 99th Annual Meeting in March 2010 in Washington, DC.

**Gale Burstein, MD** will present an abstract of her study titled *Enhanced Pelvic Inflammatory Disease Surveillance in Two Emergency Departments in Erie County, New York* at the CDC National STD Prevention Conference in Atlanta, GA in March 2010. Also, Dr. Burstein has been invited to present another abstract, *Missed Pelvic Inflammatory Disease Diagnoses and Treatment Detected Through Health Department Surveillance in Two Western New York Emergency Departments*, at the North American Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology Conference in Las Vegas, NV in April 2010.

Staff from the **LEADS SAFE Program** have been invited to present at the Indoor Environmental Health & Technologies Conference in New Orleans, LA in April 2010.

**Michael Chase**, a public health educator with the ECDOH, received a scholarship to attend the 2010 International Microbicides Conference (M2010) in Pittsburgh, PA in May 2010.

**Beau Braden, DO**, an emergency medicine resident physician concentrating in public health with the ECDOH, has been selected to participate in the CDC's Public Health Informatics Training program.

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