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SPEAKERS

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Dr. Maxine Hayes, Past Director, Washington State Department of Health



Maxine Hayes, MD, MPH, served the Washington State Department of Health from December 1, 1988 to December 31, 2013. Sixteen of those years as State Health Officer for the Washington State Department of Health. As the state's top public health doctor, her role included advising the governor and the secretary of health on issues ranging from health promotion and chronic disease prevention, to emergency response, including pandemic influenza preparedness. She also worked closely with the medical community, local health departments and community groups. Prior to her appointment as State Health Officer, Dr. Hayes was the Assistant Secretary of Community and Family in the Department of Health.

She is the recipient of many awards and honors for her work in maternal and child health, including the American Medical Association's 2002 Dr. Nathan Davis Award and the 2003 Heroes in Health Care Lifetime Achievement Award through the Washington Health Foundation. In November of 2007 she received the APHA Helen Rodriguez-Trias Social Justice Award. In January of 2014 she received the Vince Hutchins Award for leadership in Maternal and Child Health.

Dr. Hayes is Clinical Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Washington School of Medicine and Clinical Professor of Health Services at the University of Washington School of Public Health in Seattle. She holds two honorary Doctorates Degrees: one from Spelman College and one from the State University of New York.

Dr. Hayes is a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Dr. Hayes was elected to the Institute of Medicine (IOM), October 2006.