

## Arnold Perkins Joins Advisory Council




Building on the School of Public Health's partnerships with state and local health departments, the school's Policy Advisory Council is fortunate to welcome

Arnold X. C. Perkins as its newest member. Perkins is director of the Alameda County Public Health Department in Oakland, a position he has held since 1994. His background includes such varied positions as high school teacher, counselor, and principal; nonprofit organization executive director; family counselor and advocate; foundation program officer; college teacher and administrator; and restaurant owner and operator. He is an experienced speaker and facilitator, especially in the areas of organizational change, team building, creative leadership, community development, and group dynamics.

As director of the Alameda County Health Department, which has a budget of \$99 million and more than 500 employees, Perkins provides leadership and management of the department's administrative, program, and policy activities. Currently he is leading the department through a major organizational shift that reflects a broad vision of public health with a social determinant of health and community development orientation. He believes that public health is a force for social change that must be integrated into the community and be responsive to its needs.

Perkins has led the development of ten community health teams throughout Alameda County. Through these teams, community health nurses, health educators, nutritionists, and other health professionals work in the community, offering individual and population service delivery as well as community capacity building.

He has received many awards and recognitions for his community work from groups including the United Way of the Bay Area, the Center for Independent Living, and The San Francisco Foundation. The Alameda County Health Department, under Perkins' leadership, will be honored at the School of Public Health's 8th Annual Public Health Heroes Gala on March 19, 2004 (see back cover). 

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