

**GEORGE A. CONWAY, MD, MPH** is a physician and epidemiologist well known for his work and expertise on environmental health and human adaptation to extreme environments. Dr. Conway has worked in numerous senior level positions with the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and has extensive international experience in designing, implementing and managing successful health programs to address public health threats.



From 2012 through 2015, Dr. Conway was assigned by CDC to serve as Senior Advisor to the Chinese Centers for Disease Control as well as Public Health Attaché for the U.S. Embassy in Beijing where he provided:

- Expert assistance in environmental health and occupational health and safety to the US Mission in China, including supporting the US Mission's effort to address severe air pollution conditions.
- Assistance in the development of workforce and dependent guidelines for protecting health and well-being during severe smog events.
- Public presentations on the health impacts of air pollution as well as scientifically-based, practical recommendations individuals could take to protect themselves.
- Guidance to China CDC on the acute health effects of air pollution.
- Established the first national-level training in environmental health epidemiology for China and mentored many Chinese Field Epidemiology residents.

During that time, Dr. Conway received high praise from the US Ambassador to China for his work and efforts to protect the health of the US Embassy community.

In his current assignment as Health Director for Deschutes County, Oregon, in addition to leading over 300 public health and behavioral health professionals, Dr. Conway has advised the populace and governments during episodes of heavy wildfire smoke, providing guidance and recommendations during numerous local town hall meetings to community members and local businesses

Dr. Conway worked in Alaska and other Arctic and far northern locales for many years, and is a past President of the International Union for Circumpolar Health. His wide-ranging work and expertise on multiple public health issues including HIV/AIDS; health, safety, and environment in the fishing, agriculture, aviation, and oil and gas industries; and internationally on air pollution and other environmental hazards includes over 100 scientific articles, monographs, and book chapters and is often cited. He has been a keynote speaker at many international conferences.

Dr. Conway holds an M.D. from the University of New Mexico School of Medicine, and a Masters of Public Health from the University of South Carolina. He is board-certified in General Preventive Medicine and Public Health.