

# David Higgs MD, MPH

## CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

- **Kaiser Permanente, South Sacramento**, Sacramento, California, 2012-present  
Board Certified Emergency Medicine Physician

## RESIDENCY

- **University of Chicago Hospital**, Chicago, Illinois, 2009-2012  
**Department of Emergency Medicine**
  - \* Flight Physician, University of Chicago Aeromedical Network
  - \* Flight Physician for international transport; AXA Global Health Insurance
  - \* UC Emergency Medicine Residency Alumni coordinator/liaison

## DEGREES

- **Doctor of Medicine**  
**University of Michigan Medical School**, Ann Arbor, Michigan 2009  
President, Student Alliance for Global REACH (Research, Education and Collaboration in Health).
- **Master of Public Health**  
**University of Michigan School of Public Health**, Ann Arbor, Michigan 2009  
Department of Environmental Sciences; Emphasis on Nutrition
- **Bachelor of Arts**  
**University of California at Berkeley**, Berkeley, California 1997  
Major in Biological Psychology

## OTHER EDUCATION

- **Post-Baccalaureate Education**  
**California State University at Fullerton**, Fullerton, California, 2002-2004
- **EMT-Paramedic Certification**  
**Southwestern College**, Chula Vista, California, 2001
- **EMT-Basic Certification and Fire Science Core Curriculum**  
**Miramar College**, San Diego, California, 1998-1999

## WORK EXPERIENCE

- **Spanish Interpreter**, University of Michigan Hospital, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 2004-2006
- **EMT/Paramedic**, American Medical Response, San Diego, California, 1999-2002
- **Firefighter/Paramedic**, Pine Valley Fire Department, Pine Valley, California, 1999-2002
- **Branch Manager**, Cutco Corporation, San Diego, California, 1994-1996

\* Recruited, trained, motivated and supervised a sales force of 35 people that set a significant new county branch sales record

### **MEDICAL VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

- **Triage Technician**, Queen of the Valley Hospital ED, Covina, California, 2002-2004
  - \* Worked 12 hours per week with triage nurses throughout my 18-month post-baccalaureate program, conducting primary assessments and assisting in primary triage.
  - \* Served as a Spanish interpreter in this underserved, primarily Spanish-speaking community.

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- **University of Chicago EM Residency**
  - \* Emergency Physician attrition rates and how they compare to other fields
- **City of Ypsilanti, Michigan**, 2007-2008
  - \* Data collection to determine whether grant money that established a Farmers' Market in this underserved community improved the eating habits of its residents. Data presented to the City Council resulted in a renewal of the grant.
- **Instituto de Nutrición y Tecnología de los Alimentos**, 2005
  - \* Correlating diet and iron status in a population of underserved iron-deficient children in Santiago, Chile.
- **Georgetown University Institute of Cognitive and Computational Sciences**, 1997-1998
  - \*Neural plasticity in a deaf population in Washington, DC.

### **CERTIFICATIONS**

- **American Board of Emergency Medicine**
- **Advanced Trauma Life Support**
- **Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support**
- **Pediatric Advanced Life Support**
- **Neonatal Resuscitation Program**

### **LANGUAGE FLUENCY**

- **Spanish**: My mother is from Colombia and my father was a Spanish professor; Spanish was my first language. I speak, read and write fluently.

### **INTERESTS**

- **Travel**: I am very interested in experiencing different cultures and believe strongly that travel makes one wiser; I have visited much of six continents and virtually the entire USA. I foresee international experience being an important contributor throughout my adult life.
- **Nature**: I enjoy any natural wonder and all wildlife.
- **Emergency Medicine**: Perfectly challenging and invigorating.