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Dr. Ron Wohrle graduated from the Washington State University School of Veterinary Medicine and for many years practiced veterinary medicine and surgery in the state of Washington. Prior to joining the Department of Health, Dr. Wohrle worked as a Public Health Veterinarian in a local city-county health department in Washington, and spent a short time with WSDA’s then Homeland Security Team. He has been involved with public health research and practice for the past several years. He has also collaborated with staff from the Centers for Disease Control on the Get Smart Know When Antibiotics Work Program, the West Coast Cryptococcus gattii Public Health Working Group, and the Cocci (Valley Fever) Public Health Working Group. Dr. Wohrle is a strong proponent of One Health Collaborations, and assisted in forming the Washington One Health Initiative.

Dr. Kristie Ebi, Director of the Center for Health and the Global Environment (CHanGE), Rohm and Haas Endowed Professor in Public Health Sciences at University of Washington

Kristie L. Ebi is director of the Center for Health and the Global Environment (CHanGE), and Rohm and Haas Endowed Professor in Public Health Sciences at the University of Washington. She has been conducting research and practice on the health risks of climate variability and change for twenty years, including on extreme events, thermal stress, foodborne safety and security, and vector borne diseases. She focuses on understanding sources of vulnerability, estimating current and future health risks of climate change, and designing adaptation policies and measures to reduce the risks of climate change in multi-stressor environments. She has supported multiple countries in Central America, Europe, Africa, Asia, and the Pacific in assessing their vulnerability and implementing adaptation measures. She also co-chairs the International Committee On New Integrated Climate change assessment Scenarios (ICONICS), facilitating development of new climate change scenarios. Dr. Ebi’s scientific training includes an M.S. in toxicology and a Ph.D. and a Masters of Public Health in epidemiology, and two years of postgraduate research at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. She has edited fours books on aspects of climate change and has more than 190 publications.

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