

Brief bio for Richard J Jackson MD MPH

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Richard J Jackson is a Professor of Environmental Health Sciences at the Fielding School of Public Health at UCLA. A pediatrician, he has served in many leadership positions in both environmental health and infectious disease with the California Health Department, including the highest as the State Health Officer. For nine years he was Director of the CDC's National Center for Environmental Health and received the Presidential Distinguished Service award. In 2011 he was elected to the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences. He has received the Breast Cancer Fund's *Hero Award*, as well as *Lifetime Achievement Awards* from the Public Health Law Association, and from the New Partners for Smart Growth. In 2012 he received the John Heinz Award for national Leadership in the Environment.

Dick Jackson lectures and speaks on many issues, particularly those related to built environment and health. He co-authored two Island Press Books: *Urban Sprawl and Public Health* in 2004 and *Making Healthy Places* in 2011. He is host of a 2012 public television series *Designing Healthy Communities* which links to the J Wiley & Sons book by the same name. He is an elected honorary member of the American Society of Landscape Architects as well as the American Institute of Architects. In March 2015 he will receive national recognition for his service to the field of architecture, the Henry Hope Reed Award.