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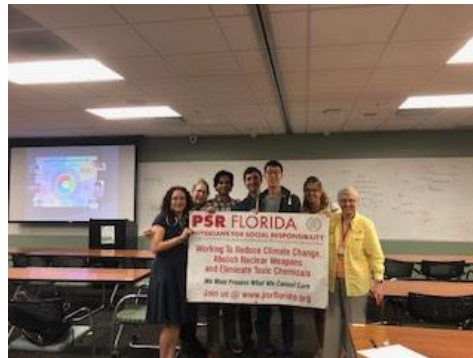
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Recent Updates

Lecture on Climate and Health at USF

Dr. Sandra Gompf, Associate Professor at the College of Medicine at USF provided a lecture on the connection between vectorborne and waterborne diseases and climate change. The event was attended by numerous medical students interested in learning more about climate change. It was organized by the USF Student chapter of PSR/FL.

Follow [USF SPSR's FB](#) page for organization updates.



Back from the Brink



PSR Florida met with St. Pete Mayor Kriseman to share a national grassroots initiative, Back from the Brink, which seeks to fundamentally change U.S. nuclear weapons policy and lead us away from the dangerous path we are currently on.

Over 30 municipalities have signed the Back from the Brink Resolution, but none in Florida or the Southeast. We're asking Mayor Kriseman to be the first to show leadership on this important issue, as he has done on climate change in the past.

Visit <https://www.preventnuclearwar.org> for more information.

Climate Strike Action, St. Pete

On September 20th, people of all ages in hundreds of countries around the globe walked out of their homes, classes and jobs to climate action. PSR Florida attended the climate strike event in St. Petersburg along with more than 1,000 activists.



The climate harms our health, the environment-and must be the primary focus of the 2020 presidential race.

Dr. Ankush Bansal, PSR/FL board member, co-authored an op-ed with Michelle Allen from Food & Water Action. In this article, Bansal elaborates about the evolving dangers of climate change and his perspectives as a physician. [Click here](#) to read the full op-ed.



"Our next president must commit to a rapid phaseout of fossil-fuel infrastructure and a just and equitable transition to 100 percent clean, renewable energy by 2035." Dr. Bansal

The People vs TECO

PSR/FL attended the People vs TECO event held in July to raise awareness about cleaner energy alternatives. The event featured expert testimonies from several consultants, public health officials, medical professionals and climate scientists.





Advise Your Patients to “Go Meatless” This month, PSR-Florida’s My Green Doctor helps you guide patients to healthier eating, healthier for them and healthier for the planet. Here is a one-page blog on the benefits of limiting red meat in the diet (4 minutes reading time): <https://www.mygreendoctor.org/go-meatless-for-your-health-and-the-planets/>. Why not add your office logo and print copies of this for your patients and staff?

My Green Doctor is a free donor benefit from the PSR/FL that is saving members money as their offices adopt wise environmental practices and share these ideas with their patients. Hundreds of offices use My Green Doctor. It adds just five minutes to each regular office staff meeting. My Green Doctor explains what to say and do at each meeting so there is nothing for the office manager to study or prepare. Your patients will be impressed. Ask your office manager to [register today!](#)

Board Member Spotlight Howard Kessler, MD

How did you get involved in PSR Florida?

One name: Ron Saff (Long standing PSR/FL board member)

What are you currently advocating for?

Lead free water in our schools. Protecting Florida from the adverse effects of fracking. Protecting Florida's water and natural resources.

Can you tell us about your first-hand experiences in your specialty or line of work?

I am a semi-retired orthopedic surgeon and continue to do volunteer clinics.

Do you have any ideas as to how to spread awareness about the issues you are most concerned about?

It is all about our youth. the younger we can expose them to science, environmental



and social issues the better the chance we can have a more sustainable world.

Is there anything else you would like to tell us?

I am passionate about the work PSR and PSR-FL are doing. Being alert, speaking out and working to make this a better world is a big order. PSR is uniquely positioned to be a strong voice on environment and social issues.

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