

From Biostatistics to Administration: A Personal Journey

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In this talk, I intend to share with the audience my own journey from being a biostatistician in USA to becoming a full-time administrator in a medical university and a health research institute in Taiwan.

I will start with my own exposure to biostatistics at University of South Carolina, followed by Ph.D. training in biostatistics at University of Washington and research career in biostatistics at Johns Hopkins University (JHU). Three essential periods at JHU led to the ultimate change of my career pathway. With that, I will examine the challenges being faced for such a switch and how to cope with them. This is to be followed by the sharing of some of my initiatives carried out at National Yang-Ming University and National Health Research Institutes in Taiwan. Perhaps to no one's surprise, when looking back, there are close connections between the two careers I have engaged in the past forty some years.