

Margot Kushel, MD bio

Margot Kushel, MD is a Professor of Medicine at University of California San Francisco, and Division Chief and Director of the UCSF Center for Vulnerable Populations, and Director of the UCSF Benioff Homelessness and Housing Initiative. She is a practicing general internist at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital. Dr. Kushel's research focuses on the causes and consequences of homelessness, with the goal of preventing and ending homelessness and ameliorating the effects of homelessness on health. She is the Principal Investigator of the California State Study of People Experiencing Homelessness (CASPEH). She is the Principal Investigator of multiple NIH studies, including the HOPE HOME Study, a longitudinal cohort study of homelessness in older adults and the Principal Investigator of the California Statewide Study of People Experiencing Homelessness and a study of advance care planning in permanent supportive housing. Dr. Kushel serves on the board of Housing California and the National Homelessness Law Center. She is a member of the Advisory Board of the California Interagency Council on Homelessness. She speaks at a local, state, and national level about issues of homelessness, and frequently provides testimony to legislative bodies. She received her AB from Harvard College, her MD from Yale and completed residency, chief residency, and fellowship in internal medicine at UCSF.