

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Curbing The Ebola Outbreak: Are We on the Right Track?

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JEFFREY GOLD is the chancellor of the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC), and he also chairs the board of Nebraska Medicine, which comprises two hospitals that formerly were called The Nebraska Medical Center and Bellevue Medical Center and 39 clinics formerly called UNMC Physicians. As UNMC's chief executive officer, Dr. Gold is responsible for all aspects of campus administration, including its annual operating budget of more than \$640 million, a staff of about 5,000 and its 3,600 students. Additionally, Nebraska Medicine has more than 6,500 employees and an operating budget of more than \$1 billion. Dr. Gold also holds a health professions appointment in the department of surgery. Prior to joining UNMC, Dr. Gold served as chancellor of the University of Toledo's health science campus. Dr. Gold graduated from the Cornell University College of Engineering, where he majored in theoretical and applied mechanics. He earned his M.D. from the Weill Cornell College of Medicine and completed his general surgery residency at The New York Hospital and Memorial Hospital. Dr. Gold is a board certified thoracic surgeon and specializes in adult and pediatric cardiac surgery.

LAWRENCE GOSTIN is University Professor and the Founding Linda and Timothy O'Neill Chair in Global Health Law; Faculty Director of the O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law; and Director of the WHO Collaborating Center on Public Health Law & Human Rights. He has chaired numerous National Academy of Sciences committees; proposed a Framework Convention on Global Health endorsed by the UN Secretary General; served on the WHO Director's Advisory Committee on Reforming the WHO; drafted a Model Public Health Law for WHO and the CDC; and directed the National Council of Civil Liberties and the National Association for Mental Health in the United Kingdom, where he wrote the British Mental Health Act and brought landmark cases before the European Court of Human Rights. He was awarded the Delbridge Memorial Prize for the person who has "most influenced Parliament and government to act for the welfare of society." Prof. Gostin holds numerous editorial appointments in leading academic journals throughout the world. His latest books are: *Global Health Law* (Harvard University Press, 2014); *Public Health Law and Ethics: A Reader* (University of California Press, 2nd ed., 2010); *Public Health Law: Power, Duty, Restraint* (University of California Press, 2nd ed. 2008); *Principles of Mental Health Law & Practice* (Oxford University Press, 2010). Prof. Gostin holds four honorary degrees: Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree of the State University of New York; her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and the Vice Chancellor awarded Cardiff University's (Wales) highest honor, an Honorary Fellow; the Royal Institute of Public Health (United Kingdom) designated him as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Public Health (FRSPH), and the Chancellor of the University of Sydney conferred a Doctor of Laws (honoris causa) in the presence of two Justices of Australia's highest court—Justices Kirby and Haydon.

PETER HOTEZ is the founding Dean of the National School of Tropical Medicine and Professor of Pediatrics and Molecular Virology & Microbiology at Baylor College of Medicine where he is also chief of a new Section of Pediatric Tropical Medicine and the Texas Children's Hospital Endowed Chair of Tropical Pediatrics. He is also President of the Sabin Vaccine Institute, Director of the Texas Children's Hospital Center for Vaccine Development and the

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Baker Institute Fellow in Disease and Poverty at Rice University. He currently serves as principal investigator for research grants from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Dutch government, and NIH, as well as co-principal investigator for a research grant from the Carlos Slim Health Institute. Dr. Hotez is an internationally-recognized clinician and investigator in neglected tropical diseases and vaccine development. He leads the only product development partnership for developing new vaccines for hookworm infection, schistosomiasis, and Chagas disease, diseases affecting hundreds of millions of children and adults worldwide. The hookworm vaccine is currently in clinical trials. Dr. Hotez previously served as President of the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene and is the founding Editor-in-Chief of PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases. He was awarded the Abraham Horwitz Award for Excellence in Leadership in Inter-American Health by the Pan American Health Organization of the WHO. He received a BA in Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry magna cum laude (Phi Beta Kappa) from Yale University, a PhD from Rockefeller University, and a Doctorate in Medicine from Weill Cornell Medical College.

JEN KATES is Vice President and Director of Global Health & HIV Policy at the Kaiser Family Foundation. She oversees the Foundation's policy analysis and research focused on the U.S. government's role in global health and on the global and domestic HIV epidemics. Widely regarded as an expert in the field, she regularly publishes and presents on global health and HIV policy issues and is particularly known for her work analyzing donor government investments in global health; assessing and mapping the U.S. government's global health architecture, programs, and funding; and tracking and analyzing major U.S. HIV programs and financing, and key trends in the HIV epidemic, an area she has been working in for twenty-five years. Prior to joining the Foundation in 1998, Dr. Kates was a Senior Associate with The Lewin Group, a health care consulting firm, where she focused on HIV policy, strategic planning/health systems analysis, and health care for vulnerable populations. Prior to that, she directed the Office of Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Concerns at Princeton University. Dr. Kates serves on numerous federal and private sector advisory committees on global health and HIV issues. Currently, she is a member of the CDC/HRSA Advisory Committee on HIV, Viral Hepatitis and STD Prevention and Treatment (CHACHSPT) and is an Alternate Board Member of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. She recently served on the Institute of Medicine's (IOM) Congressionally-mandated evaluation of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), and on two IOM study committees commissioned by the White House to inform the implementation of the National HIV/AIDS Strategy. Dr. Kates received her Ph.D. in Health Policy from George Washington University, where she is also a lecturer. She holds a Bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College, a Master's degree in Public Affairs from Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs and a Master's degree in Political Science from the University of Massachusetts.

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