

Public Health Forum on Vaccine Safety on the University of Texas Campus

Multiple organizations sponsor an important public health policy debate open to the public to be held from 7:30—9:30 PM on November 10th, 2009 in the UT ART Auditorium

AUSTIN – Both Secretary of Health and Human Resources Kathleen Sebelius and President Barack Obama have declared the H1N1 virus to be a public health emergency. These actions invoke law that could lead to mandatory vaccinations of the general public. Several organizations of healthcare professionals from across the nation have successfully sued or are currently suing state and federal governments to prevent the forcible vaccination of their members. A recent study by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that of the thirty-six (36) children who reportedly died from H1N1 between April and August of this year, only six (6) had no pre-existing chronic health condition, but all of them had co-occurring bacterial infections.¹ Vaccines have been credited with eradicating deadly diseases, but common ingredients in many modern vaccines have also been positively linked to the generation of debilitating autoimmune disorders in an alarmingly high percentage of veterans vaccinated against anthrax prior to the Persian Gulf War. This health and public policy forum will debate: “Are Vaccine Mandates Good or Bad for Public Health?”

This Vaccine Education Forum will be moderated by Dr. Donna Campbell. Tom Betz, MD, MPH, Regional Director, Texas Department of Health Services Region 7, will be speaking in support of vaccine mandates during public health emergencies. Dr. Sherri J. Tenpenny, an osteopathic medical doctor, Board-certified in emergency medicine through 2005, and founder of Osteomed II, in Cleveland, OH, and Dawn Richardson, President and Co-founder of PROVE (Parents Requesting Open Vaccine Education) in Austin, Texas and the Director of State Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center in Vienna, Virginia, will be speaking in opposition to vaccine mandates.

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http://www.startribune.com/lifestyle/health/virus/63531287.html?elr=KArks7PYDiaK7DUvsMs_5PyOiUiacyKUnciaec8O7EyUs

Vaccine Education Forum debates: "Are Vaccine Mandates Good or Bad for Public Health?"

The moderator will be questioning the panelists during the first hour. The public will be allowed to question the panelists during the second hour.

This event is sponsored by the Libertarian Longhorns, the Health Professions Council, the Texas College Republicans, the UT Objectivism Society, and will be held in the ART Auditorium, (located at the corner of 23rd Street and San Jacinto just north of the stadium), from 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM. Doors will open at 7 PM. Parking is available in the garage labeled SJG just north of the building on San Jacinto.

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Donna Sue Burrows Campbell, M.D.

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EDUCATION

University of Texas, Houston, Health Science Center
Hermann Eye Center
Houston, Texas
1990 to 1993, Residency in Ophthalmology

Methodist Hospital
Dallas, Texas
1989 to 1990, General Surgery Internship

Texas Tech University Health Science Center
School of Medicine
Lubbock, Texas
1984 -1989 Doctor of Medicine

Texas Woman's University
Dallas, Texas
1982 - Master of Science in Nursing

CERTIFICATIONS

Dr. Campbell, MD is
Board Certified Ophthalmologist
American Board of Ophthalmology May 1995
Board Certified Emergency Medicine
American Association of Physician Specialist, October 2004

Donna Sue Burrows Campbell MD put herself through college, graduate school and medical school. After getting her B.S. in Nursing from Oklahoma, she moved to Texas. Working full time as a nurse she simultaneously completed a Masters Degree in Nursing from TWU at Dallas. Donna decided to pursue a career in medicine. In 1989, she graduated with honors from Texas Tech. Her internship was in Dallas. She then moved to Houston for a residency in Ophthalmology at UTHSC. She is a woman of faith and she has volunteered her talent, doing eye surgeries in Africa bringing sight back to hundreds of people.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES:

Medical/Surgical Eye Project
Accra, Ghana, West Africa
Candidate for the 25th Congressional District, Texas

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Current
Texas Medical Association
Colorado-Fayette County Medical Society
American Academy of Physician Specialist

Past
American Academy of Ophthalmology
American Medical Association
Lavaca County Medical Society
Texas Ophthalmology Association
Christian Ophthalmology Society

Tom Betz M.D., M.P.H.

M.D.- University of Michigan Medical School 1969

Residency- Family and Community Medicine, University of Arizona Health Sciences Center 1974-77

Masters in Public Health (MPH)- University of Texas School of Public Health at Houston (San Antonio satellite) 1984

Board Certified- Public Health and General Preventive Medicine 1985

Fellow- American College of Preventive Medicine 1985

Relevant Public Health Activities

CDC related activities:

Medical Director, Parasitology Unit, San Juan Labs, San Juan Puerto Rico February: July 1980

Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) Field Services-Texas 1980-82

CDC Long-Term Consultant to the Peru Field Epidemiology Training Program, Lima, Peru: January 1989- July 1990

Texas Department of Health/Texas Department of State Health Services:

Director, Infectious Disease Epidemiology Division: 1982-84

Chief, Bureau of Communicable Disease Control and Epidemiology: 1984-1989

State Epidemiologist: 1987-89

Acting Regional Director, Public Health Region 1: March – August 2003

*Director, Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Surveillance Division: August 2003 – November 2004

Acting Regional Director, Public Health Region 6/5S: June – July 2004 (concurrent with Division Director position)

*Manager, Infectious Disease Surveillance and Epidemiology Branch: November 2004 – March 2008
(Note: the * positions are functional equivalents within the consolidation process that expanded the Texas Department of Health to the Texas Department of State Health Services)

Acting State Epidemiologist: June 3, 2005- December 1, 2005

Regional Director, Texas Department of Health Services Region 7: March 2008-present

Austin/Travis County Health Department:

Medical Director, Communicable Disease Prevention Services: 1990 – 97

International Activities:

Professor of Microbiology and Parasitology, University of Eastern Venezuela Medical School February: 1976 – March 77

Pan American Health Organization: Post-hurricane disease prevention and surveillance (Mitch, Keith, Iris), assessment of epidemiologic capacity and infrastructure development, Ministry of Health, Belize: 1999 – 2001

Also see above (CDC related activities)

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Dr Sherri Tenpenny is respected as one of America’s most knowledgeable and outspoken physicians, warning against the negative impact of vaccines on health. A graduate of the University of Toledo in Ohio, she received her medical training in Kirksville, Missouri. She was board certified in emergency medicine through 2005, and is currently board certified in osteopathic manipulative medicine. She is founder Osteomed II, an integrative medicine clinic located in Cleveland, Ohio which focuses on women’s health, eliminating acute and chronic pain, and a proprietary method for asthma and allergy relief. Patients from 38 states and 9 countries have regained health through methods applied by her team at Osteomed.

Known for her ability to present scientifically researched, complex information in a simplified version for audiences of backgrounds, Dr. Tenpenny has authored several books including, *Fowl; Bird Flu Is Not What You Think* (2006), and *Saying No to Vaccines: A Resource Guide for All Ages* (2008). In addition, she has produced many educational CDs and DVDs. She has been featured speaker at seminars across the globe and a guest n hundreds of radio and TV shows, including the nationally syndicated, *Dr. Oz Show*. Her speaking career has evolved into opportunities as an international consultant for companies in Mexico, India, Columbia and Trinidad. She is an active member on many advisory boards, including the International Medical Tourism Association.

Dr. Tenpenny is a tireless crusader on behalf of freedom-of-choice in health care, including the right to refuse vaccination. Her web sites are www.DrTenpenny.com and www.Osteomed2.com She may be reached at drtenpenny@gmail.com and through social media, Facebook, MySpace and Twitter.



DAWN RICHARDSON

Dawn Richardson is President and Co-founder of PROVE (Parents Requesting Open Vaccine Education, www.vaccineinfo.net) in Austin, Texas and the Director of State Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (<http://www.nvic.org/default.aspx>) in Vienna, Virginia.

An activist Mom who has built a statewide parent rights advocacy network and trains others across the country to do the same, Mrs. Richardson led a highly successful twelve year public information campaign in Texas and in the Texas Legislature to promote awareness about vaccine safety, medical privacy and informed consent issues.

Her work has contributed to positive legislative changes, including the passage of a statewide conscientious belief exemption to vaccination, the vacating of a gubernatorial executive order for mandatory HPV vaccines for 6th grade girls, and institution of medical privacy protections in a statewide vaccine tracking system and a newborn DNA storage system.

Dawn graduated with a BS in electrical engineering from the University of Connecticut and her vocational and educational experience in science and computer engineering has helped to shape her leading role in the criticism of mandatory one-size-fits-all vaccine policies and vaccine tracking systems.

She has appeared in many media reports in Texas and nationally defending parents' right to refuse vaccines. Her February 2007 appearance on the NBC "Today Show" calling for the repeal of the Texas Governor's Executive Order mandating Gardasil vaccine for all sixth grade girls was instrumental in raising public awareness in Texas that the Executive Order should be overridden by the legislature.