Ursula Bauer, PhD, MPH

Ursula Bauer, PhD, MPH, is the director of CDC's National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP), a position she assumed on January 4, 2010. In that role, she sets the strategic direction for the center’s “Winnable Battles” of tobacco use prevention, improved nutrition and physical activity, and prevention of teen and unintended pregnancy, as well as key priorities related to the leading causes of death.

NCCDPHP has an annual budget of about $1 billion and 1,300 staff dedicated to preventing chronic diseases and promoting health across the life span, in key settings, and with attention to the primary chronic disease risk factors.

Before becoming director of NCCDPHP, Dr. Bauer was director of the Division of Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention in the New York State Department of Health. Her entire public health career has been in state service, in Louisiana, Florida, and New York.

Dr. Bauer received her PhD in epidemiology from Yale University, her MPH in family health from Columbia University, and a master’s degree in political science from Rutgers University.

Peter Nehr

Our next speaker comes to us as a Member of the Florida House of Representatives. Elected to the Florida House on 2006, he has served on many committees on Health Care, the Environment, Education and Appropriations.

He currently serves:

- As a Chairman of the Senate Redistricting Sub-Committee
- Vice-Chairman of the Economic Affairs Committee
- As a Member of the Energy and Utilities Committee
- As a Member of the Transportation and Highway Safety Committee
- And is the Alternating Chairman of the Joint Committee on Public Counsel Oversight

He is a Graduate of the University of South Florida, Class of 2000 and graduated Summa Cum Laude at the age of 48.

Our speaker has always been actively involved in his community and:
• Has been a past President of his local Kiwanis Club where he was awarded “Kiwanian of the Year”

• is a former Master Guardian ad Litem representing abused and neglected children

• is a former Board Member of the Tarpon Springs Historical Society

• Is a former Board Member of the Tarpon Springs Rotary Club

He has received numerous awards for his public service including:

St. Petersburg College, Student of the Year
Tarpon Springs Chamber of Commerce, Small Business of the Year (twice)
Florida Assisted Living Affiliation, Legislator of the Year Award
Florida Chamber of Commerce, Honor Roll
Associated Builders and Contractors, Friend of Free Enterprise
Associated Industries of Florida, Champion for Business Award
Florida Police Chiefs Association, Legislator of the Year
Florida Swimming Pool Association, Legislator of the Year

Dr. Nancy Wright

Dr. Nancy Wright, received her medical training at The Bowman Gray School of Medicine. Following her Chief Residency at the University of California-Irvine Long Beach Children’s Hospital, Dr. Wright held a Pediatric Endocrine Fellowship at the University of Virginia. Dr. Wright holds a national appointment to the Pediatric Liaison Committee of the American Association of Pediatric Endocrinologist. She is also a Clinical Assistant Professor at both The Florida State University and University of Florida. She currently has a private practice in Tallahassee, Florida specializing in pediatric endocrinology and is a co-medical director of Tallahassee Memorial’s Diabetes Center.

Kris Ernst, BSN, RN, CDE

Kris is a Program Consultant with the CDC's Division of Diabetes where she provides consultation and technical advice on ways to build the capacity and infrastructure to
implement activities related to the primary prevention of type 2 diabetes. Previously she served as coordinator of the Diabetes Primary Prevention Initiative, and currently is a member of the CDC's National Diabetes Prevention Program team.

Kris has been employed full time in the area of diabetes education and management since 1979. She has been a member of a number of the American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE) committee's, and served as President in 1995-1996; She is a past member of the National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators 1988-1991 and is an author and reviewer of numerous publications.

Jose E Rodriguez, M.D.

Dr. Rodríguez is a board-certified family physician and Assistant Professor at the Florida State University College of Medicine. Previously, he was working as an Assistant Professor at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, where he served on various committees and was an active instructor in all four years of the curriculum.

He is founder and director of “Health not Cosmetics,” a lifestyle-based approach to weight loss and healthy living. He has presented at several conferences on obesity in underserved minority populations. He is also the author of numerous articles on obesity, minority health, medical education and health disparities. He co-wrote with Michelle May, M.D., a Spanish lifestyle-modification workbook titled “Tendré Hambre? Cuaderno del manejo del peso y diario de motivación” (“Am I Hungry? Weight Management Workbook and Motivation Diary”). Recently he has been working with students on reflective narratives, which have been published in major academic journals. He is also an assistant editor for the Family Practice Inquiries Network, the publisher of "Clinical Inquiries" and "Evidence Based Practice."

Gail R Bellamy, PhD

Dr. Bellamy received her Ph.D. from the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health. She recently joined the FSU College of Medicine, serving as Director for the Center for Rural Health Research and Policy in the Division of Health Affairs, and as Professor in Family Medicine and Rural Health. Over her professional career she has worked in the public and private sectors as well as in academic research settings. Prior to coming to FSU COM Dr. Bellamy was Associate Director for the West Virginia University Institute for Health Policy Research and Director for Community Research within the Institute 2002-2007. She is a past President of the National Rural Health Association and currently chairs the Medical Care Section of the American Public Health Association.

Sheryl Tindell, MS, APRN, FNP-BC, CDE

Sheryl Tindell, MS, APRN, FNP-BC, CDE, has over a decade of experience working with patients with diabetes. After receiving her Nursing degree from Adelphi University in New Jersey she has continued her education receiving two Master’s degrees; MS in
Health Service Administration and MS in Nursing. She is an Advance Practice Registered Nurse (APRN-BC) and is board certified for Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP). Sheryl is currently working at the University of South Florida Diabetes Center as a Certified Diabetes Educator (CDE) providing medical management and diabetes education for individuals with diabetes.

**Louis B. Chaykin, M.D.**

Louis B. Chaykin, M.D., has been an advocate for Diabetes treatment and education since 1979. In 1979 he founded and was the Co-director of the Endocrine/Diabetes Unit at the Parkway Regional Medical Center in North Miami Beach Florida. Since then he has been actively involved in clinical research pertaining to type I and type II diabetes. He has been active with the American Diabetes Association, holding positions on the Board of Directors and is currently the Co-Chair of the ADA southern Regional Scientific Program.

**Joanne Lopinski, RN**

Joanne Lopinski, RN has over 30 years of experience as a registered nurse. She has spent the last 5 years working with organizations such as Big Bend AHEC, Panhandle Area Health Network, and Big Bend Rural Health Network, which are known for their dedication to educating others about a variety of medical related topics such as elder abuse, diabetes, and smoking cessation. Ms. Lopinski has been involved with several Quality Improvement grants that have led to improving diabetic and CVD patient outcomes. Through her years of nursing experience and observance of the healthcare system she has truly become dedicated to improving the quality of healthcare programs.

**Edward J. Shahady, M.D.**

Edward J. Shahady M.D., received his education at West Virginia University School of Medicine. Currently, Dr. Shahady is an Associate Faculty at St. Vincent’s Hospital in Jacksonville, Florida and the Medical Director of the Diabetes Master Clinician Program of the Florida Academy of Physicians Foundation. One of the many medical organizations that Dr. Shahady is involved with is the American Diabetes Association, where he serves as the President of the North East Florida/ South Georgia Chapter. This year Dr. Shahady received the F Marion Bishop Award for long time academic leadership. Dr. Shahady has published several articles on Diabetes care. He is also currently a Clinical Professor at the University of Miami, University of Florida, and the University of North Carolina.

**Larry C. Deeb, M.D.**

Larry C. Deeb, MD, is Director for the Diabetes Center at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital and Clinical Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Florida as well as Clinical Professor in Pediatrics and Behavioral and Social Medicine at Florida State University.
Dr. Deeb is in active pediatric endocrine practice where he cares for 600 children with diabetes. His current research is focused on gaining a greater understanding of the applications of new technologies in diabetes management for children as well as interventions to improve the psychosocial well-being of families. He is also interested in determinants of diabetes control and how technology can help both the family and the care team. [www.deeb.org]

He is Past President, Medicine & Science of the American Diabetes Association (ADA). He has served the ADA for nearly 30 years. Leadership positions included chairs of pediatric, clinical endocrinology and public health professional councils. He also served as chair of publication policy. He is presently co-chair of the Safe at School Task Force.

Dr. Deeb currently is chair of the International Diabetes Federation's Task Force on Insulin and other Diabetes Supplies. He has served IDF in the cause of insulin availability for nearly 20 years. He is an active member of Rotary International where he has led collaborations with IDF to establish diabetes clinics in South America, Africa, and Southeast Asia. The recent establishment of the Rotarian Action Group for Diabetes, www.ragdiabetes.org is designed to ally Rotarians with the international diabetes movement. Rotary International has awarded Dr. Deeb with its Service above Self Award in 2009.

He has served as chair of the WHO Collaborating Centre for Integrated Chronic Disease Programs and consultant to the Dept. of Health for the State of Florida. Active duty was as an Epidemic Intelligence Officer at the Centers for Disease Control, US Public Health Service.

Dr. Deeb received both his Bachelor's degree in History and his Medical degree from Emory University. He completed his internship, residency, and fellowship in pediatric endocrinology at the University of Minnesota.

**Henry Rodriguez, M.D.**

Dr. Rodriguez joined the USF faculty in August, 2010 as a Professor of Pediatrics and Clinical Director of the USF Diabetes Center. He graduated from the Albany Medical College in NY in 1987. He completed his residency in Pediatrics at the University of Miami and Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami in 1990 followed by fellowship training in Endocrinology at the University of California San Francisco. Upon completion of his fellowship in 1993, he joined the UCSF faculty as a Clinical Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and an Assistant Research Endocrinologist. Most recently he was an Associate Professor of Pediatrics in the section of Pediatric Endocrinology/Diabetology and the Director of the Pediatric Diabetes Clinical Program at the James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Children between 1999 and 2010. There, he was local lead investigator on one national and two international multi-center trials investigating the causes of type 1 diabetes. Dr. Rodriguez has been an active contributor to the American Diabetes Association (ADA) and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) on
Both local and national levels. His clinical and research interests focus on type 1 diabetes treatment, prevention and progress towards a cure.

**Kenyatta Lee, M.D.**

Dr. Kenyatta Lee was an undergraduate College Scholar at Cornell University in the Department of Neurobiology and Behavior under the supervision of Professor Andrew Bass.

Dr. Lee completed his residency at the University of Pennsylvania where he developed an outreach program for middle school students at Charles Drew Middle School and completed ongoing rotations with Dr. Lawrence Robinson, Deputy Director of Public Health for the City of Philadelphia, Chronic Disease Division and Dr. Charles Waples, private practitioner. After completing his residency Dr. Lee was recruited by the same group at the University of Florida that he had performed his infant mortality research with while at Mayo Medical School.

Dr. Lee was responsible for developing the first registry for the CFPG. The registry was initially developed to improve the quality of care provided for the patients and to enhance the capacity of the practice to meet budgeted targets. The registry was initially manned by the medical records person who was responsible for sending letters to patient who were overdue for their diabetic blood work. Dr. Lee recognized that when the clinic adopted EHRs, the medical records position would soon be phased out and that the medical records could be an FTE that could be turned into a revenue and quality generating position. After Dr. Lee was able to demonstrate both improved quality and financial returns, Dr. Stewart expanded the registry program to include the other seven clinics. The practice now has 5 full time registry specialists and a special database to track patients.

Dr. Lee currently travels the nation delivering presentations on Disparities, Patient Centered Medical Home and Prevention/Wellness Education.

**Ken Brummel-Smith, M.D.**

Dr. Brummel-Smith has been a leader in geriatrics for almost 30 years. He is the Charlotte Edwards Maguire Professor and Chair of the Department of Geriatrics at the Florida State University College of Medicine. He served as chief of the division of geriatrics at two medical schools (University of Southern California and Oregon Health Sciences University). He is a co-editor or author of five textbooks, *Geriatric Rehabilitation* (Pro-Ed Press, 1990), *Practical Ambulatory Geriatrics* (Mosby Year Book, 1998, 2nd ed), *Interviewing and Patient Care* (Oxford Univ Press, 1996), and *Geriatric Assessment* (McGraw-Hill, 2000), and *Reichel's Care of the Elderly* (Cambridge University, in press). He has written numerous chapters and articles in the area of geriatrics and geriatric rehabilitation. He also served on the committee to develop the first certification examination for geriatric physicians. He has been selected 11 times by his peers as a member of the "Best Doctors in America." He was a member of the National Advisory Council on Aging for the National Institute on Aging. He was the
chairman of the board of Association of Directors of Geriatric Academic Programs and is a past-president of the American Geriatrics Society.

He is frequently called upon to provide interviews to the media and has been interviewed by the Los Angeles Times, New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Parade Magazine and appeared on Science Friday with Ira Flatow and 60 Minutes with Ed Bradley.

He graduated from the University of Southern California School of Medicine, did a residency in family medicine at Glendale Adventist Medical Center, and a fellowship in the Department of Medical Education at the University of Southern California School of Medicine.

He is board certified in Family Medicine and has a Certificate of Added Qualifications in Geriatrics. He is a Fellow of the American Geriatric Society.