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SATURDAY,
November 21st, 2015
A. Alfred Taubman
Biomedical Science
Research Building
(BSRB)

Sujal M. Parikh, 1985-2010
Schedule

9:30 AM  Breakfast and Registration

10:25 AM  Welcome and Opening Remarks

■ Vicky Koski-Karell, Sujal Symposium Student Leadership Chair

10:30 AM  Keynote Address

■ Fitzhugh Mullan, MD, The Global Social Mission of Graduate School Education

11:20 AM  Call to Action

■ Agnes Benagwaho, MD, PhD, Health Minister, Rwanda

11:40 AM  Coffee and Refreshments

12:00 PM  Break Out Session 1

■ “Impact at Scale: Generating Business Value and Alleviating Poverty” (Seminar A), Ted London, PhD, MBA

■ Moderator: Claire-Cecile Pierre, MD

■ “Survivors of Human Trafficking: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Promoting Comprehensive Services” (Seminar B), Eva Foti-Pagán, JD and Michelle Munro-Kramer, PhD, CNM,

■ Moderator: Katherine Finn, BSN, RN

■ “Oral Care: Right or Privelege” (Seminar C), Bonita Neighbors, DDS

■ Moderator: Gregory Woods, UMMS 2019

1:00 PM  Lunch/Chai Tea Hour
Schedule

1:40 PM  Break Out Session 2

- “Emerging Infectious Disease Threats: The Price of Inequality” (Seminar A), Ellen Wells, MD, MPH, FACPM
  - Moderator: Margaret Puelle, UMMS
- “Achieving Health Equity Through Healthcare Reform” (Seminar B), John Ayanian, MD, MPP
  - Christina Chapman, MD
- “Health Systems Strengthening” (Seminar C), Claire-Cecile Pierre, MD
  - Vidya Ramanathan, MD

3:00 PM  Tabling by Student and Community Organizations

4:00 PM  Poster Crawl
We are honored to have Fitzhugh Mullan, MD, as our keynote speaker for the 2015 Sujal Symposium. Dr. Mullan has led a distinguished career as both a physician and public servant. After graduating from the University of Chicago Medical School, he spent 23 years in the United States Public Health Service, achieving the rank of Assistant Surgeon General and contributing to the President’s National Healthcare Reform Task Force. A prolific writer, Dr. Mullan has authored four books and countless articles, with a style directed at both professional and lay audiences. He is currently Editor of the “Narrative Matters” section of the journal Health Affairs. More recently, Dr. Mullan has focused his efforts on medical education. As faculty at the George Washington School of Public Health and School of Medicine, he has been a mentor for countless students; as a consultant for governments and NGOs, he continues to shape how medicine is taught in both the United States and abroad. This unique combination of expertise will set the stage for the following discussions of health disparities, both domestically and globally.
Dr. Agnes Binagwaho, pediatrician by training, and serves as the Minister of Health of Rwanda. From 1986 to 2002, she practiced medicine in public hospitals in Rwanda and several other countries. She then went on to become the Executive Secretary of Rwanda’s National AIDS Control Commission. There she contributed immensely to Rwanda’s success meeting all of the Millennium Development Goals set forth by the United Nations Development Group. In addition to serving on the International Advisory Board of Lancet Global Health, the Editorial Board of PLoS Medicine and of Health and Human Rights: An International Journal, she has published over 100 peer-reviewed articles and has contributed to multiple books. Dr. Binagwaho is a visiting Senior Lecturer of the Department of Global Health and Social Medicine at Harvard Medical School.
As a senior researcher for the University of Michigan’s William Davidson Institute and Vice President of the Scaling Impact Initiative, Ted London, PhD, is a renowned expert on the alleviation of poverty using business strategies. This approach, also known as “Base of the Pyramid” economics, creates an inclusive capitalism for low-income communities across the globe, with the main goal of raising income levels. Dr. London’s research and activities have demonstrated that, through collaborations with NGOs, governments, health care systems, as well as domestic and international corporations, the market can be used to reduce social inequality. Dr. London received his PhD in Strategic Management from the University of North Carolina and has held positions within the University of Michigan since 2005.
Eva Foti-Pagán is a clinical legal fellow in the Human Trafficking Clinic. She manages a project funded by a $600,000 grant from the U.S. State Department that established a human trafficking clinic at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM) in Mexico City. The project is a collaboration between the Human Trafficking Clinic and the human rights research and policy firm NEXUS Institute. In addition to her work with ITAM, Foti-Pagán developed and runs Clinnect HTS, a new global network of legal clinics dedicated to combating human trafficking. The network seeks to build off the success of ITAM and is now pursuing projects in, among other places, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Ethiopia, France, and the Netherlands. Foti-Pagán holds a BA from Brown University and a JD from the University of Michigan Law School.
Dr. Michelle Munro-Kramer completed her BSN at Michigan State University and went on to become a certified nurse-midwife and family nurse practitioner at the University of Michigan. Her experiences working as a clinician in women’s health prompted her to return to school to study reproductive healthcare among vulnerable populations. She earned a certificate in Women’s Studies and a Nursing PhD in Women’s Health as an NIH-funded pre-doctoral fellow. She is currently an Assistant Professor in the School of Nursing where her program of research focuses on trauma, comprehensive care of vulnerable populations, and missed opportunities for care within domestic and international contexts. Her research projects approach these topics using a trauma-informed and patient-centered lens. She uses mixed methods and participatory action research to understand the experiences of vulnerable populations in order to inform future intervention development.
During her work as the Regional Director for the Michigan Department of Corrections, Dr. Bonita Neighbors, DDS, noticed the lack of dental care for inmates between incarcerations. This drove her to dedicate her career to providing services for underserved patients. She currently serves as the Director of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry – Community Dental Center, a nonprofit center that provides dental aid to low income Washtenaw County residents. This work includes patient education, as well as collaborations with other public health entities to ensure holistic care for Washtenaw’s indigent population. Dr. Neighbors is highly dedicated to community service and has been awarded the Martin Luther King Jr. Award for Servant Leadership in Building a Beloved Community from the Church of the Good Shepard in Ann Arbor.
Poster Sessions: Posters for this symposium exhibit research projects from students and faculty in all fields related to Health and/or Social Justice.

Poster Titles and Presenters:

- **Changes in Self-Reported Health, Healthcare Accessibility and Healthy Behaviors among Low-Income Michigan Adults after Medicaid Expansion under the Affordable Care Act**, (Emily Arntson)
- **Preventing Oral Diseases in Rural Kenya: A Collaborative Effort**, (Betsey Baumann-Smeeng)
- **Llamada Saludable: Evaluation of Patient Engagement with a Mobile Health Program for Improving Self-Management of Diabetes in Medellin, Colombia**, (Charlotte Bourdillon)
- **Identifying Barriers to Rheumatoid Hand Surgery in China**, (Lauren Franzblau)
- **Hepatitis B Knowledge and Stigma in Beijing, China**, (Mary Guan, Jiaxin Huang, Jeremy Balch)
- **Women’s Contraceptive Method Preference and Method Preference-Use Mismatch: A Population-Based Study**, (Katherine He)
- **Assessment of a Macro-Aggression Intervention on Adolescents and Young Adults**, (Caitlin Helm)
- **Evaluating the Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices of Healthcare Providers in the Integrated Family Planning and Comprehensive Abortion Care Program of St. Paul Hospital Millennium Medical College (SPHMMC), Addis Ababa**, (Michelle Kappy)
- **Building Resilient Moms in the Western Region of São Paulo: Identifying Factors that Could Weaken or Strengthen Resilience**, (Grace Keeney)
- **Hidden Sickness Cannot Be Cured: Intersections of Water, Sanitation, and Food Amid Cholera in Haiti**, (Vicky Koski-Karell)
- Barriers and Facilitators to Accessing Optimal Esophageal Cancer Care for Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Patients, (Christina Lineback)
- Abortion in Mexico -- Outcomes and Implications of Public Policy on Health Practices, (Elena Lorenzana, Sagarika Das, Samantha Hughes)
- Michigan Health Aid: Providing Health Care, Education and Research, (Diane Masket)
- Evaluating the Referral System of the Medical-Legal Partnership Between University of Michigan Law School’s Pediatric Advocacy Clinic and Health Partners, (Lauren McIntosh)
- The Evolution of Mothers’ Beliefs About Overweight and Obesity in their Early School Age Children, (Kate Meixner)
- Psychotropic Medication Usage in Patients Presenting to a Specialized Eating Disorder Program, (Karuna Mizusaki)
- Four Free Clinics Under the ACA: Reinventing Access to Care, (Mary Rockas)
- Interpersonal Violence in Chilean Young Adults: Potential Antecedents and Sequelae, (Nicole Lugo Santiago)
- Role of Medical Affidavits in the Asylum Process: A Needs Assessment of Forensic Medicine in Asylum Law, (Elizabeth Scruggs)
- Healthcare Providers’ Perspective on the Provision and Availability of Reproductive Services for HIV-Infected Individuals at St. Paul’s Hospital, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, (Kylie Steenbergh)
- Lead Particulate in Dust Fallout from Residential Demolitions in Detroit, MI, (Kathryn Sutcliffe)
- Midterm Evaluation of Health-Provider Alert Functionality in a Program of Automated Telephone Monitoring and Self-Care Support for Diabetic Patients in Colombia, (Julia Tasset)
Dr. Wells is a Clinical Associate Professor of Epidemiology and the Director of the Preventative Medicine/Public Health Residency Program at the University of Michigan. Recently promoted to Chief Medical Executive for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services in May, she will play a pivotal role in the creation of health policy for our state. She is board-certified in both Internal Medicine and Preventative Medicine and focuses her research on disaster epidemiology and the development of strategies for the surveillance of emerging infectious diseases. In addition to her research and policy roles, Dr. Wells teaches courses on public health practices and applied epidemiology, and delivers training within the Preventative Medicine Program.
Dr. Ayanian is the Director and Adjunct Clinical Professor of General Medicine at the University of Michigan Medical School. He is also a professor of Internal Medicine, Health Management and Policy, and Public Policy, with appointments in the School of Public Health and the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy at the University of Michigan. Dr. Ayanian directs the Institute for Healthcare Policy and Innovation, one of the world’s largest teams of healthcare researchers, who concentrate on global healthcare equity through healthcare reform and innovation. His research focuses on race, ethnicity, and gender and how these factors may affect access to healthcare. Additionally, Dr. Ayanian has done research on the effects of insurance coverage, physician specialty, and organizational characteristics on the quality of care of major health conditions such as diabetes, cancer, and cardiovascular disease. He has served as a key advisor for the state and federal governments on healthcare policy.
Claire Pierre, born in Haiti, is a summa cum laude graduate of Howard University’s six-year combined accelerated BS-MD program. She trained in internal medicine at the Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA), where she served as chief medical resident and later as clinical director of quality informatics, a role that focused on health care improvement and the use of information technology to support safe and effective patient-centered care. In 2009, Dr. Pierre assisted Dr. Paul Farmer as a volunteer at the UN Office of the Special Envoy to Haiti with President Bill Clinton. In 2010, she joined the earthquake rescue and relief efforts in Haiti where she remained to work with the Interim Haiti Recovery Commission, as the senior health advisor and sector lead. In this role, she worked closely with the Prime Minister, Ministry of Health, country donors, multinational organizations, and partners across sectors on key policies and programs to support the long term reconstruction of the health sector in Haiti by proposing a four prong recovery approach aimed at improving health infrastructure, investing in the human resources for health, developing health care financing policies for greater access, and strengthening public institutions. She currently serves as director of the Program in Health Systems Strengthening and Social Change in Harvard Medical School’s Department of Global Health and Social Medicine. There she looks at how NGOs and partners can work together to ensure proper allocations of ‘staff, space, stuff and systems’ after disasters and outbreaks. Dr. Pierre has consulted for the World Bank and Partners in Health. In 2014, she became one of the first US board certified physicians in Clinical Informatics. Her work now focuses on health care financing, healthcare workforce development, global health informatics with a special interest in the link between impact investing, economic growth and public health.
Evening Events

Sujal SOUP Dinner (6:00-8:00 PM)
Four outstanding local organizations will give a brief presentation about their work in the community while we share a meal together. At the end of the dinner, each attendee will vote for one of the spotlight organizations, and the winning organization will receive a grant to aid in their goals. All money collected from ticket sales will contribute to the grant given!

**Spotlight Organizations:**

**Freedom House** is a temporary home for indigent survivors of persecution from around the world who are seeking asylum in the United States or Canada. Guided by our belief that all persons deserve to live free from oppression and to be treated with justice, compassion and dignity, we offer a continuum of care and services to our residents as well as other refugees in need.

**Haiti Nurses Foundation**’s mission is to advance nursing education in Haiti, with a focus on FSIL Nursing School, the first 4-year baccalaureate nursing program. HNF was formed by the school’s founders to raise support to operate FSIL. It is a Haitian school, led by Haitians for Haitians.

**Hope Clinic** is a nonprofit, interdenominational Christ-centered medical, dental, and social service organization. Our goal is to provide compassionate and practical help to those in need, ministering to the whole person with dignity and respect.

**LivWel** is a community engagement platform that empowers people to connect directly with health and wellness resources around them. It consists of a mobile and web app, tailored to the individual users’ needs and goals, as well as a rewards program for engaging with health resources both online and off.

**Michigan Immigrant Right Center (MIRC)** a program of the Michigan Advocacy Program, is a resource center for immigrants and immigration advocates seeking equal justice for Michigan’s noncitizen community. MIRC works to build a thriving Michigan where immigrants have access to justice, full participation in the legal system, and, overall, are fully integrated and respected in the community and economic life.
Spotlight Organizations Continued:

**My Sistahs Keeper**’s mission statement is to provide resources to homeless, battered and/or single women with children. We seek to tend to their emotional trauma and needs of becoming self-sufficient in the community.

**Ozone House** answers calls 24/7 to help youth who are homeless, running from unsafe situations, enduring abuse, or experiencing serious family conflict. We are the only organization in Washtenaw County that provides free, confidential and voluntary services and housing for youth who are confronting some of life’s most difficult challenges.

**Partners in Health (PIH)-Engage** exists to foster a grassroots movement for the right to health for all people worldwide at the University of Michigan. Through education of students, faculty, staff and community members, through lobbying of congressional representatives, and through direct fundraising, we will work to ensure that all people have access to health and high quality healthcare.

**The University of Michigan Student-Run Free Clinic (SRFC)** is a student organization dedicated to providing the highest quality of health care free of charge to uninsured adults, while creating opportunities for UM students and physicians to confront health disparities through direct action. Our vision is to see an improvement in the health of the communities we serve, through the delivery of free, quality, and comprehensive medical services.

**Zaman International - Hope for Humanity** is a 501(c)(3) humanitarian organization serving Southeast Michigan. Our work helps marginalized women and children through crisis, then provides them with programs that lead to self-reliance and healthy lifestyles.
The Sujal M. Parikh Memorial Symposium for Health and Social Justice honors a former University of Michigan Medical School (UMMS) student who passed away in October 2010 after a road accident in Uganda where he was conducting AIDS research as an NIH-Fogarty Clinical Research Scholar.

In his short life, Sujal held leadership positions in several U-M, national, and international organizations, earning the respect and admiration of colleagues around the world. A passionate believer in the collective power of committed individuals to advance health and social justice, Sujal leveraged his networks within these organizations to make each of them stronger.

The annual Sujal M. Parikh Memorial Symposium for Health and Social Justice began as a collaborative effort among friends and colleagues. Sujal’s unique gift for bringing people together in pursuit of common goals inspired the goals of the symposium, which include raising awareness of the role that health professionals play in the broader community to improve health equity and social justice, as well as serving as a “call to action” to get others involved in learning and service opportunities.

Each year, the symposium brings together more than 200 students and professionals. Participants learn from one another, create lasting connections, and generate new ideas for the advancement of health and social justice. This ever-growing community remains committed to carrying on Sujal’s work and ensuring that his spirit of compassion continues to inspire a better world.

2015 Symposium Theme: Mind the Gap, Build the Movement
The focus of this year’s conference is not only to bring awareness to the disparities that exist within our communities and those around the world, but to also demonstrate how key players and organizations are working from multiple angles to tackle these problems. This year, we are proud to welcome representatives from healthcare providers, lawyers, economists, and public health workers. We seek to demonstrate to our attendees that a global movement is underway to promote health and social justice and how it will take the collective efforts of dozens of professional fields to bring permanent change. From this conference, we hope you find how you can further Sujal’s legacy to make the a world a more equitable place.
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