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Mark Dybul

Ambassador Mark Dybul co-directs the Global Health Law Program at Georgetown University Law Center's O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, where he is also a Distinguished Scholar. He is the inaugural Global Health Fellow of the George W. Bush Institute and serves as the Managing Director of the Office of the United Nation Special Envoy for Malaria. Ambassador Dybul served as the United States Global AIDS Coordinator from 2006 to the end of the George W. Bush administration. In that role, he led the implementation of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), the largest international health initiative in history for a single disease. Ambassador Dybul oversaw the United States government engagement in the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria and was the Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee. He also served as chair of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS' coordinating board and as a member of the board of trustees of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

Prior to assuming the post of Ambassador, he was Acting, Deputy and Assistant Coordinator, and was a member of the Planning Task Force that created PEPFAR. He also led President Bush's International Prevention of Mother and Child HIV initiative at the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), was the Executive Secretary for HHS guideline for adult and adolescent HIV therapy and was a member of the writing committee for the World Health Organization's guidelines on the use of antiretroviral therapy. At HHS, Ambassador Dybul served as the Assistant Director for Medical Affairs at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and the National Institutes of Health, and was one of the principal architects of basic and clinical research with a particular emphasis on HIV treatment in Africa. He is well published in scientific and policy literature, has received several honorary degrees and significant awards, and has served on numerous national and international boards. Ambassador Dybul received his A.B. in philosophy and M.D. from Georgetown University before completing a residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Chicago Medical Center in 1992 and a fellowship in Infectious Diseases from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases in 1995.

Larry Nowels

Larry Nowels is a consultant working with the Hewlett Foundation, the U.S. Global Leadership Coalition and the ONE Campaign on foreign aid reform and budget issues. Previously, he was a specialist in foreign affairs at the Congressional Research Service. During his thirty-three year career at CRS, he wrote extensively on U.S. foreign assistance policymaking, including the congressional role in legislating and overseeing American foreign aid programs. Nowels further served on detail assignments to the House Budget Committee and the House Foreign Operations Appropriations Subcommittee. Upon leaving CRS in mid-2006, he served as a consultant to the Helping to Enhance the Livelihood of People Around the Globe (HELP) Commission. Nowels attended the University of Redlands, University of Salamanca, American University School of International Service, and the National War College.

Beth Tritter

For five years at The Glover Park Group, Beth Tritter has helped not-for-profit organizations, prominent foundations, and multinational corporations with an interest in U.S. foreign policy to create dynamic advocacy campaigns and thought leadership platforms. Beth has particular interest and expertise in global health and development policy, and assists her clients in managing coalitions and grantee groups, crafting and deploying fresh messages, developing and implementing new campaigns, and creating and leveraging her clients' voices and expertise in support of policy change. Beth's clients have included the United Nations Foundation, the Modernizing Foreign Assistance Network, the Center for Strategic and International Studies and Standard Chartered Bank.

Beth joined GPG after nearly a decade on Capitol Hill, serving most recently as Legislative Director for Congresswoman Nita Lowey of New York, Ranking Member of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on State and Foreign Operations. In this capacity, Beth was Lowey's lead representative in setting Democratic priorities for and negotiating the annual foreign aid bill. Beth received Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from the University of Pennsylvania in Modern Middle Eastern Studies, and studied at the American University in Cairo, Egypt.

Jennifer Kates

Jennifer Kates is Vice President and Director of Global Health & HIV Policy at the Kaiser Family Foundation, where 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 issues and is particularly known for her work on analyzing donor government investments in global health; assessing and mapping the U.S. government's global health architecture, programs, and funding; and tracking key trends in the HIV epidemic, an area she has been working in for more than twenty years. Prior to joining the Foundation in 1998, Ms. 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.

Ms. Kates serves on numerous federal and private sector advisory committees on global health and HIV/AIDS issues. Currently, she is a member of the Institute of Medicine's committee to evaluate the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR). She also serves on two IOM committees commissioned by the White House to inform the National HIV/AIDS Strategy. Ms. Kates received her master's degree in public affairs from Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, and her bachelor's in political science from Dartmouth College. She also holds a master's degree in political science from the University of Massachusetts. Currently, she is pursuing a doctorate in public policy at George Washington University, where she is also a lecturer.