



The Department of Defense's Role in U.S. Global Health Policy and Programs

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BIOGRAPHIES

Kate Almquist Knopf

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Kate Almquist Knopf is a visiting policy fellow at the Center for Global Development (CGD). She also serves as adjunct faculty with the Africa Center for Strategic Studies at the National Defense University in Washington, D.C. At CGD, she works on issues such as the intersection of security and development in the developing world, U.S. foreign assistance reform, and development interventions in fragile and newly emerging states such as South Sudan. Previously, Knopf served in various capacities at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), including as assistant administrator for Africa (2007-2009), Sudan mission director (2006-2007), deputy assistant administrator for Africa (2004-2006), and special assistant and senior policy advisor to the administrator (2001-2004). Prior to this, Knopf served as chief of staff for the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority and for the Executive Office for Administration and Finance of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. She also worked for the international nongovernmental organization World Vision in Washington, D.C., and Geneva, Switzerland.

Kathleen Hicks

Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy

Dr. Kathleen Hicks was confirmed as the Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy on May 25, 2012. Dr. Hicks is responsible for advising the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and the Secretary of Defense on all matters pertaining to the development and execution of U.S. national defense policy and strategy. Prior to this, she served as the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Strategy, Plans, and Forces from February 2009 to May 2012. In that position, she led the development of the 2012 Defense Strategic Guidance and the 2010 Quadrennial Defense Review and oversaw the strategic guidance development, review, and assessment for military contingency plans and the plans for the day-to-day military activities of Combatant Commanders. In addition, Dr. Hicks led Policy's efforts to provide strategic guidance and implementation oversight to the Department's planning, programming, and budgeting process as well as various force development, force management, and corporate support processes. This included the integrated assessment of U.S. military posture, force structure, and associated defense activities and capabilities.

Dr. Hicks re-joined the Defense Department in 2009 from the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), where she was a Senior Fellow. At CSIS, Dr. Hicks directed a number of projects, including co-directing the CSIS Task Force on Nontraditional Security Assistance and assessing the national security community's role in improving global health. From 1993 to August 2006, Dr. Hicks held a variety of career civil service positions within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy. As Director for Policy Planning, she was responsible for overseeing the development of U.S. defense strategy and improving long-range policy planning capability within the Department of Defense.

Dr. Hicks holds a PhD in Political Science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, a master's degree from the University of Maryland's School of Public Affairs and an A.B. magna cum laude from Mount Holyoke College. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Jennifer Kates

Vice President and Director of Global Health & HIV Policy, Kaiser Family Foundation

Dr. Jennifer 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 more than twenty 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/AIDS issues. Currently, she is a Member of the CDC/HRSA Advisory Committee on HIV and STD Prevention and Treatment (CHAC), and she serves on the Institute of Medicine's (IOM) Congressionally-mandated evaluation of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR). She also served on two IOM committees commissioned by the White House to inform 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.

Josh Michaud

Associate Director, Global Health Policy, Kaiser Family Foundation

Dr. Josh Michaud is an Associate Director with the Global Health Policy team at the Kaiser Family Foundation, where he directs a variety of research projects. Dr. Michaud's work at Kaiser has focused on the role of the Department of Defense in global health, innovative financing, and global health diplomacy, among other topics. His prior professional experience includes work as a civilian at the Department of Defense's National Center for Medical Intelligence, as an infectious disease epidemiologist at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, and supporting infectious disease research and capacity building at the Navy's Medical Research Unit 6 in Lima, Peru. Dr. Michaud has published numerous articles and book chapters and teaches graduate-level courses in global health as a Professorial Lecturer with the International Development department at the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), in Washington D.C.

Dr. Michaud holds a Ph.D. in International Health Policy from Johns Hopkins SAIS, an M.A. in Applied Economics from Johns Hopkins University, and an M.H.S. in Epidemiology from the Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health.

David J. Smith

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Health Protection and Readiness

Dr. David J. Smith is the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Health Protection and Readiness. In this capacity, he directs Department-wide efforts to develop and implement policies and programs relating to DoD deployment medicine, force health protection, national disaster support, medical research and development, international health agreements and missions, and medical readiness for 2.3 million Service members.

Before retiring from the Navy as a Rear Admiral (upper half) in October 2012, Dr. Smith was Director of the Medical Resources, Plans and Policy Division on the Chief of Naval Operations staff, where he developed and evaluated plans and policy for medical support to current and future Navy and Marine Corps operations. In October 2010, he had deployed as the International Security Assistance Force-Afghanistan (ISAF) medical advisor and Chief, Joint Medical, overseeing medical care and health development for the Afghan theater of operations. Previously, from May 2008, Dr. Smith served as the Joint Staff Surgeon, the chief medical advisor to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff who provides counsel to the chairman, the joint staff, and combatant commanders. Prior to this, he served in a number of roles, including as Chief for Health Care Operations (M3) at the Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED), with responsibility for all Navy peacetime and deployed medical operations.

Dr. Smith received a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Illinois and his Doctor of Medicine degree from Northwestern University Medical School. He completed his Occupational Medicine Training at the University of Cincinnati Medical School, where he received a Master of Science in Environmental Health, and has a Certificate in Medical Management from the American College of Physician Executives at Tulane University. Dr. Smith is a certified physician executive (CPE), fellow of the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (FACOEM), and board certified in Occupational Medicine with a certificate of added qualification in Undersea Medicine.

Rabih Torbay

Vice President for International Operations, International Medical Corps

Rabih Torbay is Vice President for International Operations and oversees International Medical Corps (IMC) global programs in 28 countries on four continents and its staff and volunteers numbering in the thousands. Mr. Torbay has personally supervised the expansion of IMC's humanitarian and development programs into some of the world's toughest working environments, including Sierra Leone, Iraq, Darfur, Liberia, Lebanon, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Haiti and, most recently, Libya. As the organization's senior representative in the nation's capital, he serves as IMC's liaison with the U.S. government, including USAID, the Department of State, the Department of Defense, and the Department of Health and Human Services.

Raised in Lebanon, Mr. Torbay is a civil engineer who worked in that field until early 1999, when he joined IMC's humanitarian efforts in Sierra Leone. Following the September 11 terrorist attacks, Mr. Torbay first went to Pakistan, and then Afghanistan, to lead IMC's emergency regional response team. He remained in Afghanistan for eight months establishing programs throughout the country. In October 2002, Mr. Torbay became Vice President of International Operations. In 2003, he led IMC's emergency response team into Iraq as the first non-governmental organization (NGO) to enter the country, and later one of the first NGOs to enter Baghdad after the war. He remained in Iraq for seven months, setting up the organization's comprehensive relief and development initiative. Mr. Torbay led IMC's rapid response team in 2004 into the Darfur region of Sudan, where its programs currently address the needs of more than 230,000 displaced persons in some of Darfur's most desolated areas. In July 2006, after war broke out in Lebanon, he organized IMC's emergency relief efforts to residents of the southern part of the country, who had been trapped in the fighting there. After the devastating January 12, 2010 earthquake that hit Haiti, Mr. Torbay organized and deployed IMC's Emergency Response Team that was on the ground in Port-au-prince providing services in 22 hours. He led IMC's response operations in Libya, with teams on the ground during the initial onset of the crisis who are now continuing efforts as the country recovers and rebuilds. Mr. Torbay oversees IMC's response to the Syria crisis.

Peter J. Weina

Deputy Commander, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research

Colonel Peter J. Weina, PhD, MD, FACP, FIDSA, is assigned to the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research (WRAIR) where he serves as the Deputy Commander. Additionally, COL Weina is a world-recognized expert in leishmaniasis and the Director of the Leishmania Diagnostics Laboratory; the Director of the WRAIR Tropical Medicine Course that educates medical personnel from around the world; and Science Lead on the Intravenous Artesunate Integrated Product Team, having worked on the

availability and licensure of intravenous artesunate since 2002. COL Weina is on the Infectious Diseases Staff at the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center and an Associate Professor at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in the Departments of Medicine and Preventive Medicine. He was Chief of Pharmacology at WRAIR from 2001 to 2009, and then Director of Viral Diseases until 2011.

COL Weina is a Wisconsin native and joined the U.S. Army as a private at the age of 17. At the rank of E-7 he finished BS and MS degrees in zoology at the University of Wisconsin – Madison. As a 2nd LT he completed a Ph.D. in pathology and parasitology. After 4 years as a parasitologist at WRAIR, he entered medical school at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, completed internship and residency in internal medicine at Tripler Army Medical Center, and then a fellowship in infectious diseases at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center. COL Weina is board certified in both internal medicine and infectious diseases and holds a Certificate of Knowledge in clinical tropical medicine and travelers' health. He is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians, a Fellow of the Infectious Diseases Society of America, has more than 50 scholarly articles in peer-reviewed journals, and 2 books and 5 book chapters. COL Weina's notable awards are the Expert Field Medical Badge, the Order of Military Medical Merit, the Bronze Star for Service in Iraq during the first year of Operation Iraqi Freedom, and the Soldier's Medal for Heroism.