

***TB Silent Killer: FRONTLINE* Documentary and Panel Discussion**

Tuesday, March 25, 2014

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

BIOGRAPHIES

Penny Duckham

Executive Director, Media Fellowships Program, Kaiser Family Foundation

Penny Duckham has directed the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation's media fellowships program since its launch in 1993, and the Foundation's media internships program in health reporting. Both programs have provided print, radio, television and online reporters with unique opportunities to undertake individual in-depth research and reporting on health policy and public health issues, to help broaden the American public's understanding of these issues. Ms. Duckham also directs the Kaiser Foundation's journalism programs in global health and health policy, which focus on U.S. global health policy decision-making. Over the past decade, Ms. Duckham directed a fellowship program for leading international journalists to undertake reporting on global health issues; and led a series of briefings, site visits and journalism training programs overseas, with the focus on public health issues and in particular reporting on HIV/AIDS. These included programs in Brazil, Canada, China, Cuba, India, southern Africa, Trinidad, and Russia; and special training programs in advance of the International AIDS conferences in Barcelona (2002), Bangkok (2004), Toronto (2006) and Mexico City (2008). Previously, Ms. Duckham was the director of communications for The Commonwealth Fund, a national philanthropy based in New York City. She worked for several years in London for the U.K. Consumers' Association and in Brussels, in the private office of the President of the European Economic Communities Commission; and as a freelance writer on social policy issues. Educated in England, Ms. Duckham graduated from the University of Oxford with a first class honors degree in modern history.

Jonathon Gass

Monitoring & Evaluation Specialist at Ariadne Labs and former Epidemiologist for Médecins Sans Frontières/Doctors Without Borders

Jonathon Gass is the Monitoring & Evaluation Specialist at Ariadne Labs, a joint center for health systems innovation led by Dr. Atul Gawande at Brigham and Women's Hospital and the Harvard School of Public Health. Mr. Gass has an extensive background in research/evaluation design and implementation both domestically and globally. Prior to this role, Mr. Gass worked as an Epidemiologist for Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)/Doctors Without Borders, developing research and monitoring protocols, and conducting infectious disease investigations. He has worked on projects ranging in focus from Multi-Drug Resistant Tuberculosis in Swaziland to Kala Azar in northern Bangladesh. Additionally, Mr. Gass worked for the Center for Urban Epidemiologic Studies at The New York Academy of Medicine and has authored several scientific publications focusing on HIV, urban health, and addiction medicine. Mr. Gass earned his BA in International Affairs with a concentration in Global Public Health from The George Washington University, and his MPH in Sociomedical Science from Columbia University.

Josh Michaud
Associate Director, Global Health Policy, Kaiser Family Foundation

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 is an authority on the role of the Department of Defense in global health, innovative financing, and global health diplomacy, among other topics. He has published numerous articles and book chapters and teaches graduate-level courses as a Professorial Lecturer with the International Development department at the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), in Washington D.C. He 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.

Jeza Neumann
Producer, Writer and Director of *TB Silent Killer*

Jeza Neumann is a BAFTA, Robert F. Kennedy, and Rory Peck award-winning filmmaker whose latest documentary, *TB Silent Killer*, airs on the PBS documentary series FRONTLINE on Tuesday, March 25 at 10 p.m. (check local listings). Neumann's first film as director, *China's Stolen Children*, won three British Academy Awards. Since then, Neumann has made award-winning documentaries for the BBC, Channel 4, and others about life in occupied Tibet (*Undercover in Tibet*), children trying to survive in Robert Mugabe's Zimbabwe (*Zimbabwe's Forgotten Children*), and child poverty in America (FRONTLINE's *Poor Kids*, which was nominated for an Emmy). Neumann is a director with True Vision, a UK-based independent documentary production company.

Christine F. Sizemore
Chief of the Tuberculosis, Leprosy and other Mycobacterial Diseases Section at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health

Dr. Christine F. Sizemore is the Chief of the Tuberculosis, Leprosy and other Mycobacterial Diseases Section at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID). In this capacity, she is responsible for the scientific direction, oversight, and management of a large part of NIAID's extramural research program in mycobacterial diseases. This program includes fundamental, translational and clinical science, product development for drugs, vaccines and diagnostics, and clinical evaluation for product candidates. Dr. Sizemore serves as NIAID's liaison and subject matter expert with national and international bodies involved in tuberculosis research, as with advocacy groups, and often represents NIAID on all aspects of research in mycobacteria within NIAID's mission. Dr. Sizemore holds a Ph.D. in bacterial genetics and microbiology and a MS in Biology from the Friedrich Alexander University in Erlangen, Germany. Prior to joining NIAID in 2000, Dr. Sizemore spent 8 years in the pharmaceutical industry in anti-infective development.

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