# Exploring HHS' Role in Global Health & New Global Health Strategy Speaker Biographies Thursday, January 5, 2012

#### **Kathleen Sebelius**

Kathleen Sebelius was sworn in as the 21<sup>st</sup> Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) on April 28, 2009. Since taking office, Secretary Sebelius has led ambitious efforts to improve America's health and enhance the delivery of human services to some of the nation's most vulnerable populations, including young children, those with disabilities, and the elderly. As part of the historic Affordable Care Act, she is implementing reforms that have ended many of the insurance industry's worst abuses and will help 34 million uninsured Americans get health coverage. She is also working with doctors, nurses, hospital leaders, employers, and patients to slow the growth in health care costs through better care and better health.

Under Secretary Sebelius's leadership, HHS is committed to innovation, from promoting public-private collaboration to bring life-saving medicines to market, to building a 21<sup>st</sup> century food safety system that prevents outbreaks before they occur, to collaborating with the Department of Education, to help states increase the quality of early childhood education programs, and give parents more information to make the best choices for their children. Secretary Sebelius served as Governor of Kansas from 2003 until her Cabinet appointment in April, 2009, and was named one of America's Top Five Governors by Time Magazine.

## Nils Daulaire

Dr. Nils Daulaire was appointed by Secretary Kathleen Sebelius to serve the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as Director of the Office of Global Affairs in March 2010 and was nominated by President Barack Obama and unanimously confirmed by the Senate to serve as the U.S. Representative on the Executive Board of the World Health Organization in April 2011. Immediately prior to his appointment at HHS, Dr. Daulaire served for over a decade as president and CEO of the Global Health Council, an international non-profit membership organization with members in more than 100 countries. From 1993-1998, he served as Deputy Assistant Administrator for Policy and Senior International Health Advisor at the U.S. Agency for International Development, where he guided an integrated global strategy encompassing health, population, hunger, girls' education and other social sector programs. Before this, Dr. Daulaire devoted nearly two decades to health services and public health in low-income countries, managing maternal and child health delivery and field research programs in Nepal, Mali, Bangladesh and Haiti.

A summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Harvard College, Harvard Medical School and the Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, he is board certified in preventive medicine and public health. He has been elected to membership in the Institute of Medicine and Council on Foreign Relations.

## **Harvey Fineberg**

Harvey V. Fineberg is President of the Institute of Medicine. He served as Provost of Harvard University from 1997 to 2001, following thirteen years as Dean of the Harvard School of Public Health. He has devoted most of his academic career to the fields of health policy and medical decision making. His past research has focused on the process of policy development and implementation, assessment of medical technology, evaluation and use of vaccines, and dissemination of medical innovations. Dr. Fineberg helped found and served as president of the Society for Medical Decision Making and has been a consultant to the World Health Organization. At the Institute of Medicine, he has chaired and served on a number of panels dealing with health policy issues, ranging from AIDS to new medical technology. He also served as a member of the Public Health Council of Massachusetts (1976-1979), as chairman of the Health Care Technology Study Section of the National Center for Health Services Research (1982-1985), and as president of the Association of Schools of Public Health (1995-1996).

Dr. Fineberg is co-author of the books Clinical Decision Analysis, Innovators in Physician Education, and The Epidemic that Never Was, an analysis of the controversial federal immunization program against swine flu in 1976. He has co-edited several books on such diverse topics as AIDS prevention, vaccine safety, and understanding risk in society. He has also authored numerous articles published in professional journals. Dr. Fineberg is the recipient of several honorary degrees and the Stephen Smith Medal for Distinguished Contributions in Public Health from the New York Academy of Medicine. He earned his bachelor's and doctoral degrees from Harvard University.

## **Helene Gayle**

Helene D. Gayle is president and CEO of CARE USA, a leading international humanitarian organization with approximately 10,000 staff whose poverty fighting programs reached 82 million people last year in 87 countries. Since joining CARE in 2006, Dr. Gayle has led efforts to reinforce CARE's commitment to empowering girls and women to bring lasting change to poor communities. Under her leadership, CARE has strengthened its focus on long term impact, increased policy and advocacy efforts and deepened connections between poverty and the environment. Gayle has leveraged the power of CARE's corporate and NGO partners to significantly expand CARE's reach across the globe. An expert on health, global development and humanitarian issues, she spent 20 years with the Centers for Disease Control, working primarily on HIV/AIDS. Dr. Gayle then worked at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, directing programs on HIV/AIDS and other global health issues.

Dr. Gayle serves on several boards, including the Center for Strategic and International Studies, the Rockefeller Foundation, Colgate-Palmolive Company and ONE. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the American Public Health Association. Dr. Gayle also chaired the Obama Administration's Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS, and currently serves on the President's Commission on White House Fellowships. Named one of Foreign Policy magazine's "Top 100 Global Thinkers," and Newsweek's top 10 "Women in Leadership" Dr. Gayle has been featured by national and international media outlets. She has also published numerous scientific articles. Dr. Gayle was born and raised in Buffalo, NY. She earned a B.A. in psychology at Barnard College, an M.D.

## **Kerri-Ann Jones**

Dr. Kerri-Ann Jones was sworn-in as Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs on August 20, 2009. She has held several other senior positions in the federal government, serving as Associate Director for National Security and International Affairs at the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP), and as Director of the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Office of International Science and Engineering. Dr. Jones also served on the National Security Council as the Senior Director for Science and Technology Affairs. In addition, she has worked at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), the National Institutes of Health (NIH), and with the state of Maine. Dr. Jones is a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). Dr. Jones obtained her Ph.D. from the Department of Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry at Yale University. She holds a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Barnard College, Columbia University.

#### 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.

## Ariel Pablos-Méndez

Dr. Ariel Pablos-Méndez is Assistant Administrator for Global Health at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), a position he assumed in August 2011. Nominated by President Obama in March, Dr. Pablos-Méndez joined the USAID leadership team with a vision to shape the Bureau for Global Health's programmatic efforts to accomplish scalable, sustainable and measurable impact on the lives of people in developing countries as envisioned in President Obama's Global Health Initiative. In his capacity as Assistant Administrator for Global Health, he will focus his efforts to further advance the goals and reformatory recommendations expressed in the Presidential Policy Directives,

Quadrennial Diplomacy and Development Review, and USAID Forward. By fostering new working relationships and maintaining existing partnerships, Dr. Pablos-Méndez will direct the Bureau's activities and approach toward a standard of technical excellence in implementation science.

Dr. Pablos-Méndez is an experienced public health physician who most recently served as Managing Director at The Rockefeller Foundation where he led the Foundation's global health strategy on the transformation of health systems in Africa and Asia. He first joined the Rockefeller Foundation in 1998, spearheading public-private partnerships in research and development for diseases of poverty, the Foundation's strategy on AIDS care in Africa, and the Joint Learning Initiative on Human Resources for Health. He also served as Director of Knowledge Management at the World Health Organization (WHO) in Geneva, where he established WHO's first eHealth unit. Dr. Pablos-Méndez is a Board-certified internist and until recently was practicing as a Professor of Clinical Medicine and Epidemiology at Columbia University. He has served in various Boards and international commissions and received his M.D. from the University of Guadalajara's School of Medicine and his MPH from Columbia University.

## **Diane Rowland**

Diane Rowland is the Executive Vice President of the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation and the Executive Director of the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured. She is also an adjunct Professor in the Department of Health Policy and Management at the Bloomberg School of Public Health of the Johns Hopkins University. In December 2009, Dr. Rowland was appointed the Chair of the Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission (MACPAC), established to advise Congress on issues affecting the Medicaid and CHIP programs. She has directed the Kaiser Commission since 1991 and overseen the Foundation's health policy work since 1993. She is a noted authority on health policy, Medicare and Medicaid, and health care for low-income and disadvantaged populations and frequently testifies as an expert witness before the United States Congress on health policy issues. A nationally recognized expert with a distinguished career in public policy and research, focusing on health insurance coverage, access to care, and health care financing for low-income, elderly, and disabled populations, Dr. Rowland has published widely on these subjects.

Dr. Rowland is a member of the Institute of Medicine, a founding member of the National Academy for Social Insurance, Past President and Fellow of the Association for Health Services Research (now AcademyHealth), and a member of the Board of Grantmakers in Health, and the Board of the Philip R. Lee Institute for Health Policy Studies at the University of California, San Francisco. She holds a Bachelor's degree from Wellesley College, a Masters in Public Administration from the University of California at Los Angeles and a Doctor of Science in health policy and management from the Johns Hopkins University.