Global Health at Touro ~ 10th Anniversary

November 7, 2014
Touro University California - Lecture Hall A

10:00 – 10:10 a.m.  Introduction
Marilyn Hopkins, PhD
Provost & Chief Operating Officer
Touro University California

10:10 – 10:30 a.m. Global Health at Touro University California
Eiman Mahmoud, MD, MPH  Carinne Brody, MPH, MA, DrPH
Professor, Pathology  Assistant Professor, Public Health
Director, Global Health Program  Chair, Global Health Track
College of Osteopathic Medicine  College of Education & Health Sciences
Touro University California  Touro University California

10:30 – 11:00 a.m.  Keynote Address: The Role of Universities in Global Health
Haile T. Debas, MD
Founding Chair, Board of Consortium of Universities for Global Health
Founding Director, UC Global Health Institute
Former Dean of Medicine, Vice Chancellor & Chancellor, UC San Francisco

11:00 – 11:30 a.m.  2014 Ebola Outbreak
Jason Wilken, PhD
Career Epidemiology Field Officer
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

11:30 – 11:45 a.m.  Global is Local – How Globally Oriented Health Education Makes Better Physicians
Bela Matyas, MD, MPH
Health Officer/Deputy Director
Solano County Health Department

11:45 – 12:00 noon  Q&A

12:00 – 12:15 p.m.  Closing Remarks
Michael Clearfield, DO, FACOI  Jim O’Connor, PhD
Dean, College of Osteopathic Medicine  Dean, College of Education & Health Sciences
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12:15 – 1:00 p.m.  Breakout Session – Beyond Graduation: Global Impact of Touro Graduates
Lecture Hall B
Jesse M. Rohde, DO, MPH
Touro University California, College of Osteopathic Medicine, Class of 2008
Founder/President/CEO, The Rohde Foundation
Cardiac Anesthesiologist

Master of Ceremonies:  Walter Hartwig, PhD
Associate Dean of Academic Affairs
College of Osteopathic Medicine
Touro University California
Haile T. Debas, MD
**Director, University of California Global Health Institute**

Haile T. Debas is recognized internationally for his contributions to academic medicine and is widely consulted on issues associated with global health. At the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF), he served as the Founding Executive Director of UCSF Global Health Sciences (2003-2010), Dean of the School of Medicine (1993-2003), Vice Chancellor of Medical Affairs (1998–2003), and Chancellor (1997-1998). A gastrointestinal surgeon by training, Dr. Debas chaired the UCSF Department of Surgery (1987–2003), and is the Maurice Galante Distinguished Professor of Surgery. Emeritus. He also is the Founding Director of the University of California Global Health Institute. He was instrumental in the creation of the Consortium of Universities for Global Health and served as the Founding Chair of its Board of Directors (2009-2012).

A native of Eritrea, Dr. Debas received his M.D. from McGill University and completed his surgical training at the University of British Columbia (UBC) and post-doctoral fellowship at UCLA. He has held faculty positions at UBC, UCLA, and the University of Washington. Under Dr. Debas’ stewardship, the UCSF School of Medicine became a national model for medical education, an achievement for which he was recognized with the 2004 Abraham Flexner Award for Distinguished Service to Medical Education by the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC).

His prescient grasp of the implications of fundamental changes in science led him to create several interdisciplinary research centers that have been instrumental in reorganizing the scientific community at UCSF. He played a key role in developing UCSF’s new campus at Mission Bay. He has held leadership positions with numerous membership organizations and professional associations, including serving as president of the American Surgical Association and Chair of the Council of Deans of the AAMC. He served for two terms as a member of the Committee on Science, Engineering, and Public Policy of the National Academy of Sciences; served four years on the Advisory Committee to the Director of the National Institutes of Health, and was a member of the United Nations’ Commission on HIV/AIDS and Governance in Africa. He is a member of the Institute of Medicine, and served as chair of the Membership Committee.

Dr. Debas is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He currently serves on the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences and the Board of Trustees of the Aga Khan University. He is a lead editor of the forthcoming Essential Surgery volume of Disease Control Priorities in Developing Countries, Third Edition (DCP3). In 2012, Dr. Debas was awarded the UCSF Medal for his academic and leadership contributions to the University.

Jason Wilken, PhD
**Career Epidemiology Field Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

Jason Wilken earned his PhD in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology from the University of Nebraska Medical Center in 2004. He served as a postdoctoral fellow and then faculty research associate scientist at the Yale School of Medicine studying experimental cancer therapeutics, before joining the CDC's Epidemic Intelligence Service, or EIS. As a CDC "disease detective", he investigated outbreaks of hantavirus and Valley Fever in California. He now serves as a CDC Career Epidemiology Field Officer for the California Department of Public Health. As a Career Epidemiology Field Officer, Dr. Wilken assists the state to prepare for emergency response.

Bela Matyas, MD, MPH
**Health Officer/Deputy Director, Solano County Health Department**

Bela T. Matyas is currently Health Officer and Deputy Director of Health and Social Services for Solano County in California. He previously served as Chief of the Communicable Disease Emergency Response Branch of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), after briefly serving as Chief of the Disease Investigations Section of CDPH. He also served for thirteen years as the Medical Director of the Epidemiology Program in the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Prior to that he served for four years as the Medical Director of Disease Control and State Epidemiologist for the Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDH) after serving for three years as the Chief of Environmental Health Risk Assessment for the RIDH. Dr. Matyas received his medical degree from the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine and completed a residency in Occupational Medicine/Preventive Medicine at the Harvard School of Public Health, where he also received a Master of Science Degree in Epidemiology and a Master of Public Health (MPH) Degree.

Jesse M. Rohde, DO, MPH
**Touro University California, College of Osteopathic Medicine, Class of 2008**

**Founder/President/CEO, The Rohde Foundation**

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Dr. Jesse Rohde, Touro University California 2008 alum, has dedicated his life to providing health care services to the world’s poor and investing in the potential of Africa’s youth to become leaders in the fight against disease. He is the Founder, President, and CEO of The Rohde Foundation, a model that looks to raise the standard of health care in rural Africa through prevention, education, clinic construction, access to health care, and rural African job creation.

Dr. Jesse Rohde received his undergraduate degree with High Honors in African-American Studies from Wesleyan University in 1999. He received his Masters in Public Health from Harvard School of Public Health in 2007, and his Medical Degree from Touro University, College of Osteopathic Medicine in 2008.