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Keynote Speaker

David Cutler

David Cutler has developed an impressive record of achievement in both academia and the public sector. At Harvard University, he served as Assistant Professor of Economics from 1991 to 1995, was named John L. Loeb Associate Professor of Social Sciences in 1995, and received tenure in 1997. He is currently the Otto Eckstein Professor of Applied Economics in the department of economics and Kennedy School of Government and recently completed a five-year term as associate dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences for Social Sciences.

Honored for his scholarly work and singled out for outstanding mentorship of graduate students, Professor Cutler’s work in health economics and public economics has earned him significant academic and public acclaim. Professor Cutler served on the Council of Economic Advisers and the National Economic Council during the Clinton Administration and was senior health care advisor to Barack Obama’s Presidential campaign. Professor Cutler also advised the Presidential campaign of Bill Bradley. Among other affiliations, Professor Cutler has held positions with the National Institutes of Health and the National Academy of Sciences. Currently, Professor Cutler is a Research Associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research and a member of the Institute of Medicine.

Professor Cutler is the author of Your Money Or Your Life: Strong Medicine for America’s Health Care System, published by Oxford University Press. This book, and Professor Cutler’s ideas, were the subject of a feature article in the New York Times Magazine, The Quality Cure, by Roger Lowenstein. Cutler was recently named one of the 30 people who could have a powerful impact on healthcare by Modern Healthcare magazine and one of the 50 most influential men aged 45 and younger by Details magazine.

Agenda

7:30 am  Registration and Breakfast
8:20 am  Conference Welcome – Kevin Churchwell, CEO, Nemours
8:30 am  Robert Laskowski, CEO, Christiana Care
8:35 am  Pat Harker, President, UD
8:40 am  Michael Vergare, Sr. Vice President, TJU
8:45 am  The DHSA, Impact and Promise – Kathleen Matt, Executive Director, DHSA
9:00 am  Prostate Cancer as a Model for Translational Research – Lucia Languino, TJU
9:30 am  Relevance of IT in Clinical Research – William Weintraub, CCHS
10:00 am Impact of Social and Behavioral Sciences in Medical Research – Mary Dozier, UD
10:30 am Break and Networking Session
11:00 am  Panel 1: Aligning Community Health Care Needs with Academic Research Priorities – Mary Kate Mouser (Chair), James Plumb, Lynn Snyder–Mackler, Michael Rosenthal, Community Representatives
11:30 am  Panel 2: The Role of IT in a Statewide Translational Health Network – William Weintraub (Chair), Jack London, Tim Bunnell, Shawn Polson, Bettina Riveros, Terri Steinberg
12:00 pm  Networking Session over Lunch & Poster Session
1:30 pm  Outcomes of Pilot Grants / Prospects for Translational Research – Samuel Gidding, Nemours
1:40 pm  Delaware Clinical and Translational Research Program – Stuart Binder-Macleod, UD
1:50 pm  DHSA CTSA Application: Next Steps – Scott Waldman, TJU
2:00 pm  Introduction of Keynote Speaker – Karl Steiner, Chair R&D Task Force, DHSA
2:15 pm  Keynote Address: David Cutler, Harvard University “The Next Revolution in Health Care”
3:00 pm  Audience Response and Discussion
3:15 pm  Announcement of Poster Awards
3:30 pm  Symposium Concludes
3:45 pm  Optional Tour of Nemours Mansion

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