

The Health Forum at UCLA Fielding School of Public Health

What: The Health Forum is a free and dynamic monthly program featuring leading experts from across the country discussing critical issues in public health. Topics range from the implementation of the Affordable Care Act and the impact of social media on healthcare delivery to global health. The Forum draws a knowledgeable audience of health and health care leaders, faculty and students from Southern California. Since its inception in 2010, more than 2,000 have attended the Forums, which devote a substantial portion of each program to Q&A as participants discuss and think together about current issues in public health.

Health Forum topics have included:

- Healthcare Reform: National and State Policy Issues
- Improving Health Equity Among Patient Populations
- Covering and Caring for Dual Eligibles
- The Employer's Perspective on Health Insurance and Health Care for Their Employees
- The Digital Health Innovation: Data & Devices Driving Population Health
- Filling the Primary Care Physician Gap
- California's Health Benefit Exchange: How Will it Work?
- How Will the Mental Health System Change Under the Affordable Care Act?
- Workplace Wellness Programs
- Containing the Cost of Health Care: What is Working and What Isn't

Speakers have included:

- Diana Dooley, Secretary, California Health and Human Services Agency
- Thomas Priselac, President and CEO, Cedars-Sinai Health System
- Peter Lee, Executive Director, California Health Benefit Exchange
- Jonathan Fielding, Director, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
- Jody Heymann, Dean, Fielding School of Public Health
- Mitchell Katz, Director, Los Angeles County Health Services Department
- Donald Crane, CEO, California Association of Physician Groups
- William Caswell, Senior Vice President of Operations and COO, Kaiser Permanente
- Peter Long, President and CEO, Blue Shield of California Foundation

For a complete list and to view past Health Forums, visit <http://ph.ucla.edu/calendar/about-health-forum-ucla-fsph>.

Goal: To raise \$250,000 to endow a fund to ensure that the Health Forum at UCLA continues in perpetuity as **The Paul Torrens Health Forum at UCLA**.

About Dr. Paul Torrens: Dr. Paul Torrens is Professor Emeritus of Health Policy and Management and founder of The Health Forum at UCLA (FSPH). During his 40-year tenure as a Professor at the Fielding School, Dr. Torrens has patiently guided, mentored and advised generations of students, helping many shape distinguished careers in public health. A physician by training, he has had a long career in both health care management and health care policy. As a health care manager, Dr. Torrens has had many years of direct management experience in hospitals and health organizations, and has served on governing boards of Blue Shield of California and PacificCare Behavioral Health of California. In the health policy arena, he has served in a wide variety of advisory and consulting capacities to governmental and non-governmental organizations in the United States and in 18 foreign countries.

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