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## The Health Policy Forum: Upcoming Speakers 2003

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We are pleased to announce our January through July 2003 schedule for the Health Policy Forum, supported by an unrestricted educational grant from Pfizer Pharmaceuticals as part of their national program of Mini-Medical School Projects.

The Forum meets on the second Wednesday of each month from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in Conference Room 218, Curtis Building, 1015 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA (unless otherwise noted with \*). A light breakfast will be served.

**January 8, 2003**

***Stanton N. Smullens, MD***

*Chief Medical Officer, Jefferson Health System*

*Topic: **MCARE: How Hospitals in Pennsylvania are Working to Reduce Medical Errors***

**February 12, 2003**

***Arthur Feldman, MD, PhD***

*Magee Professor of Medicine, Chairman, Department of Medicine Jefferson Medical College*

*Topic: **The Future of Electronic Information and Clinical Efficiency***

**March 12, 2003**

***John Tooker, MD, MBA***

*Executive Vice President/CEO American College of Physicians*

*Topic: **The Future of ACP-ASIM***

**April 9, 2003**

***Richard L. Simmons, MD***

*Medical Director, UPMC Health Systems  
University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine*

*(In conjunction with the Department of Surgery, Jefferson Medical College)*

*Topic: **Reducing Medical Error: A System's Perspective***

**May 14, 2003**

***Ali Houshmand, PhD***

*Dean, Goodwin College of Engineering, Drexel University*

*Topic: **The Application of Six Sigma in Health Care***

**June 11, 2003**

***Kathleen H. Blandford***

*Senior Vice President/Executive Officer, Voluntary Hospital Association East Coast*

*Topic: **The Role of VHA in the Current Market***

**July 11, 2003\***

**Special Summer Session – 8:00 a.m. until 12 noon**

**Hotel Sofitel - 17th and Sansom Streets**

**(RSVP at 215-955-6969)**

***Richard Carmona, MD, FACS*** (invited)

*US Surgeon General*

***Eric Noji, MD*** (confirmed)

*Principal Deputy to the US Surgeon General for Homeland Security*

***William Winkenwerder, MD*** (confirmed)

*Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs*

***Mary Rita D'Allesandro, Esq*** (invited)

*Special Assistant to the Mayor, the Honorable John Street*

***Vivian Coates*** (confirmed)

*Vice President for Information Services, ECRI*

*Topic: **Health Policy in Dangerous Times: Preparing for Terror***

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