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## The Health Policy Forum: Upcoming Speakers 2003

We are pleased to announce our March 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.

#### 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 System
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: Applying Six Sigma to 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)

United States Surgeon General

Eric Noji, MD (confirmed)

Principal Deputy to the US Surgeon Generalfor Homeland Security

William Winkenwerder, MD (confirmed)

Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs

**Vivian Coates** (confirmed)

Vice President for Information Services, ECRI

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### **Sally Phillips, RN, PhD** (confirmed) AHRQ, Director,

Bioterrorism Preparedness Research Program

Topic: Health Policy in Dangerous Times: Preparing for Terror

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