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MEMBER NEWS AND UPDATES

UCCRC Member News

Olufunmilayo Olopade, MBBS, FACP, Professor of Medicine and Human Genetics, was recently selected as one of the Chicago Matters: Beyond Burnham Top 15 Global Visionaries by WTTW11, Chicago Public Television, and WBEZ, Chicago Public Radio. Olopade was recognized for bringing a "unique interdisciplinary and international approach to the prevention and treatment of cancer and for extending high-end care to typically underserved populations at home or abroad." Olopade is an expert in cancer risk-assessment, with a focus on breast cancer research.

UCCRC News: ACS Walk and Roll

On Sunday, May 17, the Medical Center and UCCRC are organizing a team to participate in the **2009 American Cancer Society Walk and Roll**. The objective is to promote healthy lifestyles that prevent both cancer and heart disease. The UCCRC encourages everyone to and walk, skate, or bike along Chicago's Lakefront. To register for this event, go to: http://community.acsevents.org/site/TR?fr_id=18875&pg=entry and click on Join a Team. Our team name is: University of Chicago, and our division is: Corporate Team.

UCCRC News: Breast Cancer Conference

The University of Chicago and Chicago State University are coordinating the **Uniting to Address Breast Cancer Disparities in Chicago: Past Progress, Future Direction** conference in Chicago on Friday April 24th. This conference has been developed to further understand the disparities in breast cancer outcomes. Particular attention will focus on examining the effects of the biological and social factors associated with living in Chicago on breast cancer. The conference will also seek to improve the coordination of quality healthcare to eliminate health disparities. For more information on this event, which features several UCCRC members, visit: <http://cme.uchicago.edu/courses>. The directors of this conference are **Olufunmilayo Olopade, MD, FACP**, from the University of Chicago, and Rachel Lindsey, PhD, from Chicago State University.

Upcoming Seminars

- ▶ **UCCRC Translational Seminar Series**
Title: Stratifying Treatment for Patients with Neuroblastoma that is Just Right
Susan L. Cohn, MD
Title: Sexuality as Experienced by Women with Cancer
Stacy Lindau, MD
4/10/09, 12:00 - 1:00PM M-137

Funding Opportunities

Funding Opportunities for cancer research with agency deadlines in April include: the NIH, William T. Grant Foundation, NCCR, NCI, and the DOD Prostate Cancer Research Program. For more information on these opportunities, visit: http://funding.uccrc.org/funding_opportunity.

UCCRC News: AACI Update

The March 2009 **AACI Newsletter** features UCCRC members **Everett Vokes, MD**, **William Dale, MD, PhD** and **Scott Eggener, MD**. Dr. Vokes is recognized for his recent appointment as Chairman of the Department of Medicine. Dr. Dale is featured for his work on a study showing that cancer anxiety predicts earlier use of androgen deprivation therapy (ADT), which is important because ADT may not improve survival, but could impinge on quality of life. Dr. Eggener's work on a study which recommends that for some men diagnosed with low-risk prostate cancer, opting not to initially receive treatment can be safe if they are closely monitored. This multi-center study was published in the *Journal of Urology*.

