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Symposium

Boston Marriott Copley Place 110 Huntington Ave. Boston, MA 02116

Gala

Sheraton Boston Hotel 39 Dalton St. Boston, MA 02199

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

FRIDAY OCTOBER 7

- 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.: Chapter Presidents Board Meeting (Simmons)
- 6:00 p.m.: Open Registration (Registration Desk B)
- 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.: Opening Ceremony (3rd Floor Atrium & Marble)
- 8:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.: Reception

SATURDAY OCTOBER 8

- 7:00 a.m.: Open Registration (Registration Desk B)
- 7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.: Breakfast (Salon G, Foyer)
- 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.: Scientific Program (Salon G)
- 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.: Parallel Session (Arlington)
- 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.: Gala Registration (Sheraton Boston Hotel)
- 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.: Gala Dinner (Sheraton Boston Hotel)

SUNDAY OCTOBER 9

7:00 a.m.–9:00 a.m.: Subcommittee & Special Interest Group Meetings 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.: Social Program for Families (Boston Common picnic lunch)

SESSIONS

SESSION 1: SAVING THE FUTURE WHILE SAVING LIVES

Moderators: Dr. Amjad Bahnassi, Dr. Mohamed K. Hamza

8:00-8:30	Challenges of Application of Psychosocial Services in Disaster
	Areas, Noor Amawi, PsyD, Coordinator of SAMS psychosocial
	services in Jordan

8:30-9:00 Recent Advances in the Psychological Treatment of Posttraumatic Stress Disorder, *Terry Keane*, *PhD*, *Director*, *Behavioral Science*, *National Center for PTSD*

9:00-9:30 H5: A New Model for Humanitarian Assistance, *Richard Mollica*, *MD*, *MAR*, *Professor of Psychiatry*, *Harvard Medical School*

STATE OF THE ART LECTURE #1

9:30–10:00 Get Current! All New Drug Approvals for 2016, *Conrad Fischer*, *MD*, *Assoc. Professor of Medicine*, *Physiology and Pharmacology*, *Touro College of Medicine*

10:00-10:15 Break

SESSION 2: BASIC CONCEPTS IN FUNDING & ROLES

Moderators: Dr. Leonard Rubenstein, Dr. Issam Khayata

10:15-10:45	From Vision to Reality: Working Towards a Revamped Health System Responsive to Future Demands, <i>Enrico Pavignani</i> , <i>MD</i> , <i>Public Health Practitioner, University of Queensland, Brisbane</i>
10:45-11:15	Innovative Health Financing Mechanisms for the Syrian Reconstruction, Paul Spiegel , MD, MPH, Director, Center for Refugee and Disaster Response, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
11:15-11:45	Reconstruction of Health Services and the Role of Expatriate NGOs, <i>Gilbert Burnham</i> , MD, MSc, PhD, Founder, Center for Refugee and Disaster Response, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.
SPECIAL PRESENTATION	

11:45-12:00 Policy Update: Michael Ratney, U.S. Special Envoy for Syria

12:00-1:00 Lunch

SESSION 3: TOWARDS MORE EFFECTIVE ADVOCACY ON THE SYRIAN CRISIS

Moderator: Dr. Ahmad Tarakji with audience participation

- 1:00-1:30Elevating Syrian Advocacy: Social Engagement, Panelists:
Dr. Zaher Sahloul, Salam Al Marayati, MPAC, and John
Dautzenberg, SAMS Advocacy
- **1:30–2:00** Toward Stronger Partnership, Panelists: **Rabih Torbay**, U.S. Government Liaison, **Robert McKenzie**, Brookings Institution, and **Nahuel Arenas**, OXFAM

STATE OF THE ART LECTURE #2

- **2:00–2:30** Global Disaster Response and Supporting Colleagues in Distress, *Hilarie Cranmer*, *MD*, *MPH*, *Director*, *Global Disaster Response*, *MGH Global Health*, *Mass General Hospital*
- **2:30–2:40** Relaxation with Dr. Alkhouri

SESSION 4: INNOVATION IN TRAINING AND EDUCATION

Moderators: Dr. Mazen Duwaji, Dr. Maher Tabba

- 2:40-3:00 Meaningful Innovation, *Hassan Serhan*, *PhD*, *Distinguished Fellow, Johnson & Johnson*
- **3:00–3:30** Surgical Management of Facial Trauma: Current Principles and Future Directions, *Pushkar Mehra*, DMD, Professor and Chairman, Dept. of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Boston University Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine
- **3:30-4:00** Polio Virus: The Endgame, *H. Cody Meissner*, *MD*, *Professor of Pediatrics, Tufts University School of Medicine*

SESSION 5: INTEGRATING DENTAL & MEDICAL PRACTICES

Moderators: Dr. Omar Salem, Dr. Waseem Attar, Dr. Orfan Chalabi

- **3:45-4:15** Introduction to Infant Frenotomy, *Martin Kaplan*, DDS, Director of Laser Dental Surgery, Tufts University School of Dental Medicine
- **4:15-4:45** Refugee Children and Oral Health in Turkey, *Gülsün Gül*, *DDS*, *MBA*, *MPH*, *MSc*, *CAGS*, *The Forsyth Institute*, *Harvard School of Dental Medicine*

PARALLEL SESSIONS

SESSION 1: DENTAL UPDATES

Moderators: Dr. Orfan Chalabi, Dr. Ayman Aboushala

The Evolution of the Dental Practice in Today's New World, 1:15-2:00 Michael Scialabba, DDS, CEO, Great Hill Dental Partners, LLC 2:00-2:30 The Impact of Behavioral Management in Pediatric Dentistry, Lina Aswad, DMD, MPH, Director of Clinical Remediation Program, Boston University 2:30 - 3:10Medicine-Related Osteonecrosis of the Jaw, Maher Jandali, MD, DMD, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon, Private Practice, Lowell, MA SESSION 2: YOUNG PROFESSIONALS SESSION 3:30-4:00 Innovation of an Animal Model for PTSD, Chris Lim, PhD Candidate, MIT McGovern Institute for Brain Research, Department of Anatomy & Neurobiology, Boston University School of Medicine 4:00-4:20 Post Mission Reflections: Thoughts from a Syrian American Medical Student, Rami Kalash, MD Candidate, Northeast Ohio Medical University, Co-Founder & Co-President of Doctors for Refugees 4:20-4:40 Use of Gaze Tracking and EEG to Measure Short- and Long-term Learning in Medical Gross Anatomy Students, Ala'a El-Shaar, *MS*, *Researcher at Center for Translational Cognitive Neuroscience*, VA Boston Healthcare System, in affiliation with Boston University School of Medicine

4:40-5:00 Panel discussion

COURSE DESCRIPTION

COURSE OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this program, participants should be able to:

- Identify and treat surgical and medical complications of war injuries cohesively
- Describe the concept of collective trauma
- · Incorporate mental health and dental health in medical practice

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DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS

Nahuel Arenas is the Director of Humanitarian Programs and Policy at Oxfam America and has more than 15 years of experience working in the development and humanitarian sectors. Nahuel joined Oxfam in 2007 and was involved since then in Oxfam's humanitarian responses around the world, in places like Mozambique, Chad, South Sudan, Haiti and Vanuatu among many others. As Regional Humanitarian Manager for West Africa and Maghreb he led the scale up of Oxfam's response to the regional food crisis of 2012, reaching 1.2 million people with lifesaving assistance across six countries. Before joining Oxfam, he worked for Action Against Hunger (ACF), consulted for the UN and led JICA. He holds a Master's degree in International Politics by the School of Oriental and African Studies (University of London), and degrees in Crisis Management and Public Policy.

Gilbert Burnham is Professor of International Health and founder of the Center for Refugee and Disaster Response at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. He has an interest for many years in the reconstruction of health services post conflict. He has worked with health systems issues post conflict in Uganda, Rwanda, Iraq, Afghanistan and Albania. He was part of a team assessing the health needs of Iraqi refugees in Syria in 2010. He holds an MD from Loma Linda University in California, an MSc and PhD from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and is board certified in Internal Medicine. He has a very active teaching program, and conducts research in many humanitarian situations. He is an author on some 140 scholarly papers.

Reverend Dr. Conrad Fischer, MD is Associate Professor of Medicine, Physiology and Pharmacology at Touro College of Medicine in New York. He has taught USMLE and ABIM review courses nationally and internationally for 25 years. He has received ten teacher of the year awards. He is the author of 10 textbooks and his "Master the Boards" series for USMLE is read by 40,000 medical students a year. Dr. Fischer is Vice-Chairman of Medicine, Residency Program Director in Internal Medicine at Brookdale University Medical Center in Brooklyn. He has a Master's Degree in Theology and is Chair of the Ethics committee.

Enrico Pavignani (MD, MSc.) is an independent public-health practitioner affiliated with the University of Queensland (Australia). He has worked in developing countries for 36 years, in a variety of roles: district doctor, trainer, planner, policy analyst and researcher. In his study of many distressed African and Asian healthcare arenas, he has concentrated his interests on the impact of stressors on health services, on their responses and on measures supportive of their

recovery. His main interest are planning and evaluation of health services, human resource development, primary health care provision, management of external aid, and analysis of war-torn health sectors and post-conflict reconstruction.

Dr. Hassan Serhan is a Distinguished Engineering Fellow at DePuy Synthes Spine and a Prestige Adjunct Professor at the Bioengineering Department at University of Toledo. Prior to his employment with AcroMed in 1995, Dr. Serhan was a research assistant professor at both the Neurosurgery and Orthopedic surgery at the State University of New York at Buffalo where he received his Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering. He has been the recipient of many awards including SRS John Moe's award, ASTM F-4 MOSES Award. Dr. Serhan is the co-founder and treasurer of the International Musculoskeletal Society (I.M.S.). Dr. Serhan has published more than 45 peer reviewed journal articles, 8 book chapters, and more than 170 abstracts. He is a prolific inventor with more than 100 patents and patent applications.

Leonard S. Rubenstein, JD, LLM, is Director of the Program on Human Rights, Health and Conflict and Senior Scholar at the Center for Human Rights and Public Health at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, and Faculty at Berman Institute of Bioethics. He previously served as Jennings Randolph Senior Fellow at the USIP and President of Physicians for Human Rights. His work focuses on global health and human rights in the context of conflict, fragility and national security, including health construction. Mr. Rubenstein founded and chairs the Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition. He has published frequently in professional journals and major media and has received numerous awards, including the Congressional Minority Caucuses' Healthcare Hero Award and the APHA's Sidel- Levy Award for Peace.

Dr. Paul Spiegel is the Director of the Center for Refugee and Disaster Response and Professor at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. Dr. Spiegel is Chair of the Funding Committee for the DFID and Welcome Trust funded Research for Health in Humanitarian Crises or R2HC. Previously, Dr. Spiegel was the Deputy Director of the Division of Program Support and Management at the UNHCR in Geneva. Before UNHCR, he worked as a Medical Epidemiologist in the CDC, and was the Medical Coordinator with MSF and MDM. He received his medical degree at the University of Toronto and his Master of Public Health and specialty in Preventive Medicine at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. He has won numerous awards including CDC's Charles C. Shepard award for outstanding research in Assessment and Epidemiology.

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