Colorado School of Public Health’s Center for Global Health Adds Jon K. Andrus, MD, to Leadership Team

Andrus is one of the world’s leading experts on vaccines and immunizations

DENVER (March 1, 2017) – The Colorado School of Public Health’s Center for Global Health is proud to announce the addition of Jon Kim Andrus, MD, as adjoint professor and senior investigator. Dr. Andrus, who is known for his work on vaccines and immunizations around the world, comes to the Center from the Sabin Vaccine Institute in Washington, DC, where he was Executive Vice President and Director of Vaccine Advocacy and Education.

Prior to his time at the Sabin Vaccine Institute, Dr. Andrus has served as Deputy Director of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO); Chief, Vaccines and Other Biologicals, on assignment from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to the South-East Asia Regional Office of the World Health Organization (WHO) in New Delhi, India; and Regional Advisor for Polio Eradication, on assignment from the CDC to the Expanded Program on Immunization of the South East Asia Regional Office of the WHO also in New Delhi.

“The Center for Global Health is designated as a WHO Collaborating Center for Promoting Family and Child Health and with the addition of Dr. Andrus, collaborations with the WHO, PAHO, other United Nations organizations, foundations, and ministries of health will expand significantly,” said Stephen Berman, MD, FAAP, director for the Center for Global Health. “We will be better positioned to promote policies that will yield public health benefits of vaccines and immunizations, provide technical assistance to national vaccine programs, and carry out vaccine-related research.”

Dr. Andrus’ work will complement and enhance the existing strong vaccine- and immunization-related work funded by the Gates Foundation, CDC, NIH and USAID. This work is currently being carried out at the Center by Edwin Asturias, MD; Gretchen Domek, MD, MPhil; Eric Simoes, MB, BS, DCH, MD; and Wayne Sullender MD, FAAP. With the involvement of Dr. Andrus, the Center will be developing vaccinology courses that will be held in Colorado, Latin America and Southeast Asia. Dr. Andrus will continue to be based in Washington DC, to facilitate these international collaborations.

About the Center for Global Health
The Center for Global Health is an interdisciplinary collaboration between the Colorado School of Public Health, the University of Colorado School of Medicine/Department of Pediatrics and Children’s Hospital Colorado, which enables the partners to leverage innovative and creative advances in the global standard of health through teaching,
research, practice and service. Learn more by visiting http://globalhealth.ucdenver.edu and follow the Center’s updates on Facebook and Instagram.

About Colorado School of Public Health
The Colorado School of Public Health is the first and only accredited school of public health in the Rocky Mountain Region, attracting top tier faculty and students from across the country, and providing a vital contribution towards ensuring our region’s health and wellbeing. Collaboratively formed in 2008 by the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, Colorado State University, and the University of Northern Colorado, the Colorado School of Public Health provides training, innovative research and community service to actively address public health issues including chronic disease, access to healthcare, environmental threats, emerging infectious diseases, and costly injuries. Learn more and follow ColoradoSPH’s updates on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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