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## ***Preventive Medicine 2007* to feature research and practice findings to improve public health**

### **Premier preventive medicine meeting scheduled for February 21-24 in Miami**

Uninsured Americans, pandemic flu, obesity, health care quality, HIV, vaccine development, and public health preparedness are among the top issues and concerns preventive medicine and public health leaders will address as they gather at the American College of Preventive Medicine (ACPM)'s annual meeting, February 21-24, at the InterContinental Miami Hotel.

***Preventive Medicine 2007***, the four-day meeting of scientific sessions, poster presentations, panel discussions, and interactive workshops, is expected to draw more than 700 physicians and other health care professionals.

Highlights for the 2007 conference include:

- J. Michael McGinnis, MD, KBS Guest Lecturer, will deliver the keynote speech titled "Obesity: Preventive Medicine Again at the Frontier." Currently a Senior Scholar at the Institute of Medicine and formerly with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and US Public Health Service, Dr. McGinnis has spent much of his career as a leader in shaping national policy focused on disease prevention and health promotion.
- Carolyn Clancy, MD AHRQ Director, and Steve Woolf, MD former US Preventive Services Task Force member, will talk about quality of care and translating research into reality.
- John Nelson, MD, MPH, former president of the AMA, and Kenneth Thorpe, MD of Emory University, will provide diverse perspectives on covering the uninsured.
- RADM Kenneth P. Moritsugu, MD, Acting Surgeon General, and Jon Krohmer, MD, deputy chief medical officer for the Department of Homeland Security, will talk about public health preparedness and the all-hazards approach.
- Hard-hitting, half-day institutes will help attendees hone their skills in outbreak management, delivery of preventive services, prevention and management of indoor air pollutants, and use of other Preventive Medicine tools.
- Task Force experts will share the latest evidence and recommendations in clinical and community preventive services.
- A variety of government and industry representatives will offer solutions to worksite

needs at the Preventive Medicine 2007 Tradeshow.

Topics to be discussed during the meeting will fall into five major areas: public health practice, clinical preventive medicine, healthcare quality improvement, prevention policy, and teaching preventive medicine.

**Preventive Medicine 2007** will be convened jointly with Medical Quality 2007, the annual conference of the American College of Medical Quality. Medical Quality 2007 will address emerging issues in healthcare quality improvement and patient safety.

Detailed information about **Preventive Medicine 2007** can be found at [www.preventivemedicine2007.org](http://www.preventivemedicine2007.org).

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The American College of Preventive Medicine is the national medical specialty society representing physicians committed to health promotion and disease prevention. Founded in 1954, ACPM provides leadership in research, professional education, development of public policy, and enhancement of standards of preventive medicine. In addition to physicians Board-certified in preventive medicine, ACPM's members include physicians Board-certified in other medical specialties who have a strong interest in health promotion and disease prevention. For more information about ACPM, visit [www.acpm.org](http://www.acpm.org).