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LECTURE SERIES



**Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007**  
**4:30 PM**

**“Health Effects Among World Trade Center  
Rescue and Recovery Workers”**

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Stephen Levin, M.D., a graduate from The New York University School of Medicine in 1967, received his training in Occupational Medicine at the Mt. Sinai School of Medicine following a decade of practice in General Medicine. In 1987, Dr. Levin became the Medical Director of the Mount Sinai Irving J. Selikoff Center for Occupational and Environmental Medicine. He is a member of the faculty in the Department of Community and Preventive Medicine at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine, and he is active in the Occupational Medicine teaching program for medical students and residents. His research interests have focused on asbestos-related disease, other occupational lung diseases, and heavy metal toxicity. He has received funding from NIOSH to conduct studies of the health effects of exposure to lead, asbestos, and silica among construction workers in New York City. Dr. Levin has served as a consultant to the New York State, New Jersey, and New York City Departments of Health on the health hazards of environmental pollutants. In response to the events of September 11, 2001, Dr. Levin led a team that developed a program to provide evaluation and treatment of patients who have developed respiratory and psychological illnesses as a consequence of their exposures and experiences at or near the site of the World Trade Center (WTC) disaster. He was Co-Director of the WTC Worker and Volunteer Medical Screening Program, funded by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, which provided medical assessments, diagnostic referrals and occupational health education for 12,000 workers and volunteers who performed rescue and recovery work at the WTC site. He also served as Principal Investigator and Director of the Data and Coordination Center for the federally funded WTC Medical Monitoring Program that provides repeat examinations for the WTC responder cohort that now numbers over 17,000 examinees. Dr. Levin has recently received funding to assist in the validation of serum biomarkers for mesothelioma among workers with a history of high exposures to asbestos.

**LOCATION:**

**Drexel University**  
**Center City, Hahnemann Campus**  
**New College Building, Geary B Auditorium**  
**245 N. 15<sup>th</sup> St., Phila., PA**

**Learning Objectives:**

1. Understand the nature of the hazardous exposures following the WTC attack
2. Understand the physical and mental health effects experienced by responders
3. Understand the public health policy issues that arose during the response to the WTC disaster

**Target Audience:** Public health professionals, physicians, and health care practitioners.

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**Faculty Disclosure**

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