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Sixth Annual
David A. Rothenberger Lecture

Will Physicians Lead Us Through Health Care Challenges?

Bill George
4 p.m., Thursday, December 12, 2013
Mayo Auditorium

Will Physicians Lead Us Through Health Care Challenges?

Bill George is a businessman and academic who has been deeply engaged with health care for the past 25 years. The former chair and chief executive of Medtronic, he has been professor of management practice at Harvard Business School since 2004. He currently serves on the board of the Mayo Clinic, ExxonMobil and Goldman Sachs, and is a former chair of the board of Allina Health System and Abbott Northwestern Hospital. He is the author of four best-selling books including True North and Authentic Leadership. PBS has named him one the "Top 25 Business Executives of the Past 25 Years."

Join us as he challenges physician leaders to step up to the issues currently facing U.S. health care as we navigate the journey from our current focus on disease care to lifelong health care. George believes we need to develop a new generation of physician leaders to guide us along this difficult transition.

This talk is free and open to the public.
Honors and Awards

Melissa Brunsvold, MD has been selected by the Association for Surgical Education (ASE) to receive a 2014 Philip J. Wolfson Outstanding Teacher Award. This award is given annually to faculty members who are considered by their chair, peers, and students to possess the qualities of an outstanding teacher.

Robert Acton, MD received the 2014 Association for Surgical Education (ASE) Award for Excellence in Innovation. This award is given annually to a group of individuals who have demonstrated exemplary performance in surgical education with the intent to recognize novel ideas, multi-center collaboration and/or methods for improving teaching and learning.

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DOS Holiday Food Drive

December 2 - 12, 2013

Barrels are located by the 11th floor elevators and the break room on the 11th floor. If you have questions, call 612-626-1999 or email dosadmin@umn.edu.

Donate non-perishable food items and personal care/ hygiene items to help make a difference in the lives of local families who need our help the most.

*Please consider the nutritional value of your donations. Items requiring refrigeration, expired or open items, or food in glass containers cannot be accepted. For more information about EFN, please visit www.emergencyfoodshelf.org.

Consider bringing your donations to Grand Rounds this Tuesday, December 10th.
REMINDER

Flu Vaccinations
Flu vaccinations are required by all AHC students who work in clinical areas as well as all credentialed providers at UMMC. Free flu shots are available. http://www.med.umn.edu/gme/residents/immuncomplreqs/home.html

RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Do you see someone working hard in your area and contributing to the department’s success by fulfilling our mission, vision and values? If so, take a moment to nominate this person for an Employee Recognition Award.

Two Employee Recognition Awards will be given out each month—one for staff and one for faculty, fellows, and residents. All Department of Surgery employees can nominate another employee in the department, including the Surgical Administrative Center.

Completed nomination forms should be sent to Michelle Lunden.

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