

Medical Tourism

Rajesh Rao, IndUSHealth

A growing number of Americans find themselves left with no other choice but to travel overseas to seek affordable medical treatment. Rajesh Rao, CEO of IndUSHealth, describes how this trend, known as Medical Tourism, has taken root, why it is growing in popularity amongst uninsured Americans as well as employers in the U.S., and how providers overseas have geared up to serve these needs. He will also discuss the role that his firm plays to bridge the disparities while assuring a safe, reliable and comprehensive solution for its clients.

Infectious Diseases in the Developing World

Paula Burch, Rockingham Community College

Infectious diseases account for more than 13 million deaths a year. One out of two deaths in developing countries is due primarily to six infectious diseases - diarrhoeal diseases, malaria, measles, pneumonia, tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS. This session will explore the causative agents of these diseases and what is being done to prevent their spread.

HIV / AIDS in a Global Context

Siobhan Young, UNC at Chapel Hill

HIV/AIDS is truly a global disease. UNAIDS estimated more than 1.3 million Americans are living with HIV/AIDS. Additionally, 33.2 million people worldwide are HIV-positive or have AIDS. *HIV/AIDS in a Global Context* will explore the biological mechanisms behind the HIV/AIDS epidemic and the latest developments in transmission, treatment, and prevention.

Immigrant Health Issues: Latino Health in North Carolina

Florence Simon, El Pueblo, Inc.

This session will provide an overview of the health status of recent Latino immigrants to NC. Through a brief presentation followed by an interactive session, participants will gain a better understanding of the demographics of the Latino communities in this state, of the health disparities affecting these communities and how educators can plan an active role in addressing these disparities.

Campus Terrorist Disaster Exercises: Medical and Psychological Interventions

Maria Orsini & Erica Jastrow, Vance-Granville Community College

Vance-Granville Community College conducted a disaster exercise in September 2008 under a grant from The Office of Homeland Security. This session will describe the exercise and medical and psychological interventions performed, and identify the basic components of the planning for a disaster exercise. This session will also explore the medical-surgical and psychological roles of healthcare providers during and after the

“disaster,” key concepts and principles of disaster mental health, and how to recognize and manage the stress inherent in disaster work.