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Thomas C. Quinn, M.D., M.Sc., and Other Leaders in Global Health
Convene at UVa November 6

Charlottesville, Va. – October 29, 2009 -- The University of Virginia's Center for Global Health is hosting the founder and director of Johns Hopkins University's Center for Global Health, Thomas C. Quinn, at its November 6th symposium, "Challenges and Opportunities in Global Health: Universities at the Forefront."

Quinn will speak about the leadership role of universities in addressing global health and development challenges. Dr. Quinn says, "Virtually the entire range of university expertise is now engaged in addressing global challenges that require sustained, integrated, interdisciplinary, and collaborative approaches."

Three Center for Global Health scholar projects representing the School of Arts & Sciences, the School of Medicine, the School of Engineering and Applied Science and the UVa College at Wise will be presented as well.

Keynote speaker Quinn is a founding board member of the Consortium of Universities for Global Health (CUGH), which has won the support of the presidents of Duke, Stanford and Johns Hopkins Universities.

U.Va. President John T. Casteen, III, this month signed the statement in support of global health as well. It reads in part, "Our students and faculty have enthusiastically embraced our growing investment in global health programs. We commit ourselves to involving our institutions in achieving a healthier, better educated, more equitable, and peaceful world."

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