



# WE WERE THERE

## Healthier Together: Highlighting 40 Years of U.S.–China Public Health Collaborations

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#### **Gao Fu, PhD**

Former Director-General, Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention

#### **Keiji Fukuda, PhD**

Former Assistant Director General for Health Security at the World Health Organization

### Birth Defects

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Former Epidemiologist, Birth Defects and Genetic Disease Branch, National Center for Environmental Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### **Li Zhu, MD, MPH**

Former Medical Epidemiologist and Professor of Epidemiology, Peking University Health Science Center (PUHSC), former Director of PUHSC Institute of Reproductive and Child Health

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Director of the Food Fortification Initiative

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# Moderators

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**Susan K. Laird, Moderator**

**Patrick Chong, Co-moderator**

**Ifie Okwuje, Co-moderator**

## Welcoming Remarks

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**Rochelle P. Walensky MD, MPH**

**Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

**Administrator, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry**

Rochelle P. Walensky served as Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases at Massachusetts General Hospital from 2017-2020 and a professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School from 2012-2020. She served on the frontline of the COVID-19 pandemic and conducted research on strategies to reach and deliver vaccines to underserved communities. She is recognized internationally for her work to improve HIV screening and care in South Africa and nationally for promoting health policy and informing clinical trial design and evaluation in a variety of health settings.

Walensky 博士, 现任美国疾控中心主任, 毒物和疾病登记署署长。Walensky 博士自2017至2020 年任麻省总院传染病科主任, 2012至2020年任哈佛医学院医学教授。新冠大流行期间, 她曾服务于一线工作, 并就疫苗交付和疫苗覆盖欠缺社区的策略进行了研究。她因在南非的改善艾滋病筛查和护理的工作而获得国际认可, 同时也因在各种环境中推动卫生政策和指导临床试验的设计和评估而获得国内认可。



**SHEN Hongbing, PhD**

**Director General of Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention**

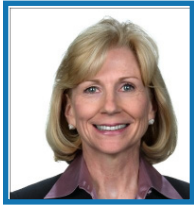
**Deputy Director of National Administration of Disease Control and Prevention of China**

**Academician of Chinese Academy of Engineering**

Prof. Shen Hongbing has over 30 years of epidemiological research on cancer epidemiology, prevention and treatment strategies for high-risk populations, birth cohort, and health and medical big data sciences, Prof. Shen has made remarkable contributions to enhancing cancer prediction and precision prevention. He holds the PhD in epidemiology from Shanghai Medical University and finished a senior visiting scholar at University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, US.

沈洪兵博士, 中国疾病预防控制中心主任、国家疾病预防控制局副局长, 中国工程院院士。他从事流行病学研究30余年, 在肿瘤流行病学以及高危人群防治策略、出生队列、健康医疗大数据等方面开展了系列研究, 为肿瘤基因预测和精准预防做出重要贡献。

# Speakers: Influenza



**Nancy Cox, PhD**

**Former Director, National Influenza Division in the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, CDC**

Dr. Cox was the Director of the Influenza Division at CDC and Director of CDC's World Health Organization (WHO) Collaborating Center for Surveillance, Epidemiology and Control of Influenza from 2006 through the end of 2014. She served frequently as a WHO temporary advisor for influenza vaccine virus selection and has worked with WHO to expand and improve WHO's Global Influenza Surveillance and Response System. Dr. Cox is the recipient of numerous awards, including recognition by Time magazine as one of the "Time 100: The People Who Shape our World" in 2006 and CDC's Life Time Achievement Award in 2014.

Cox 博士自2006年至2014年底曾任CDC流感部主任和CDC世界卫生组织(WHO)流感参比和研究合作中心主任。她多次担任WHO流感疫苗毒株推荐的顾问，并与世界卫生组织合作扩大并改进其全球流感监测和应对系统。Cox博士曾荣获众多奖项，包括2006年入选时代杂志“时代100：塑造我们世界的人物”，以及2014年CDC终身成就奖。



**Gao Fu, PhD**

**Former Director-General, Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention**

Dr. Gao is the former director-general of China CDC (2017-2022) and former vice-president of National Science Foundation of China. He is a member (academician) of Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS), holds international members at the U.S. National Academy of Sciences (NAS), the U.K. Royal Society (RS) and the the German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina. He is a professor at Institute of Microbiology, CAS. He pioneered the COVID-19 research, including virus discovery, vaccine and therapeutic monoclonal antibody development etc. Gao is a recipient of several international and national awards, including TWAS Medical Prize, Nikkei Asian Prize (Japan), the Gamaleya Medal (Russia), HKU Centennial Distinguished Chinese Scholar and the Qiu Shi Outstanding Scientist.

高福博士，中国疾病预防控制中心原主任、国家自然科学基金委员会原副主任。中国科学院院士、美国国家科学院外籍院士、英国皇家学会外籍院士、德国国家科学院院士。现任中国科学院微生物研究所研究员。他是新冠病毒的发现者、是研发全球首个临床获批使用的新冠病毒中和抗体药物和第一个获批使用的新冠病毒重组蛋白亚单位疫苗的先锋者。荣获第三世界科学院基础医学奖和讲演奖、日本日经亚洲奖、俄罗斯“Gamaleya奖章”、香港大学百周年杰出中国学者、求是杰出科技成就集体奖。



**Keiji Fukuda, PhD**

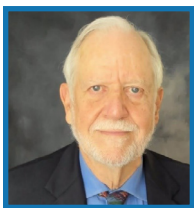
**Former Assistant Director General for Health Security at the World Health Organization**

Dr. Keiji Fukuda retired in 2021 as Director of the School of Public Health at The University of Hong Kong. Previously, he was Assistant Director General for Health Security at the World Health Organization (WHO), Director of the WHO Global Influenza Programme and Epidemiology Chief of the Influenza Branch at CDC. He led WHO's response to the 2009 H1N1 influenza pandemic and other emerging disease outbreaks and WHO's successful effort to have antimicrobial resistance discussed at the United Nations in 2016. He currently is a trustee of the China Medical Board.

Fukuda 博士于2021从香港大学公共卫生学院院长职位退休。他此前曾担任世界卫生组织负责卫生安全的助理总干事、世界卫生组织全球流感项目主任和美国疾控中心流感部流行病学主任。他曾领导世界卫生组织应对2009年H1N1流感大流行和新发疾病疫情，并领导世界卫生组织在2016年于联合国成功推进抗菌药物耐药性问题的研讨。他目前是中华医学学会的受托人。

## Speakers: Birth Defects

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**RJ Berry, MD, MPH**

**Former U.S. Project Director, Beijing China**

Dr. Berry began working at CDC in 1981 as an EIS officer in the Birth Defects Branch, Center for Environmental Health at the beginning of CDC's involvement with the prevention of neural tube defects with maternal use of periconceptional folic acid. His first visit to China in 1986 was to teach the use of computers in epidemiology at Beijing Medical University during a WHO Risk Approach Workshop. From 1991 to 1996, he was US Project Director living in Beijing with his family including 4 sons. In 1994, the Chinese government awarded him the Friendship Award.

Berry 博士，1981年开始在美国疾病预防控制中心（CDC）工作，担任环境健康中心出生缺陷科EIS官员，当时正值CDC参与围产期妇女服用叶酸预防神经管畸形工作的开始阶段。1986年，他第一次到中国，在北京医科大学的WHO高危管理培训班教学计算机在流行病学中的应用。1991年至1996年，他是中美预防神经管畸形合作项目的美方项目主任，与妻子及四个儿子居住在北京。1994年，获得中国政府颁发的“友谊奖”。



**Li Zhu, MD, MPH**

**Medical Epidemiologist and Professor of Epidemiology, Peking University Health Science Center (PUHSC), former Director of PUHSC Institute of Reproductive and Child Health**

Dr. Li was a Medical Epidemiologist and a Professor at Peking University Health Science Center (PUHSC). He was the Director of the PUHSC Institute of Reproductive and Child Health, Director of the Ministry of Health Key Laboratory of Reproductive and Child Health Research. Dr. Li has contributed 25 years of his life on neural tube defects (NTDs) research and prevention. He was the Principal Investigator and the Chinese Project Director of the China-US Collaborative Project on NTDs Prevention and other subject researches for 17 years (from 1991 to 2008). Dr. Li was the recipient of the Chinese Four Ministries Joint Awards and on the cover page of the "Chinese Scientist" Journal.

李竹博士，原北京大学医学部流行病学教授，博士生导师。曾任北京大学生育健康研究所所长、卫生部生育健康研究重点实验室主任。25年致力于神经管畸形（NTDs）的研究和预防，从1991年到2008年连续17年担任中美预防神经管畸形等合作项目首席科学家。在世界上首次证实妇女孕前和早期单独增补小剂量叶酸可以有效预防NTDs，并协助卫生部制定政策在中国推广该成果。获科技部等国家四部委的奖励。



**Scott Montgomery**

**Director of the Food Fortification Initiative**

Mr. Montgomery is the Director of the Food Fortification Initiative (FFI), a nonprofit network of partners working to make the addition of vitamins and minerals to flour and rice standard milling practice worldwide. Scott brings a business approach to FFI with his expertise in leadership, senior level management, food processing, and supply chain with global experience across cereal grain industries. Before joining FFI as Director in 2011, Scott spent 30 years in the cereal grain industry and served on the FFI Executive Management Team 2004-2010.

Montgomery先生是食品强化倡议（FFI）董事，该机构是一个非营利的合作伙伴网络，致力于在全球范围内向面粉和小米标准研磨实践中添加维生素和矿物质。他凭借其在领导力、高级管理、食品加工和供应链方面的专业知识以及谷物行业的全球经验，为FFI带来了一种商机。他在谷物行业工作了30年，2004-2010年在FFI执行管理团队任职，2011年担任FFI董事。

# Speakers: Chinese Field Epidemiology Training Program (CFETP)



**Zeng Guang, MPH**

**Former Chief Epidemiologist, Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention  
Founder, Chinese Field Epidemiology Training Program**

Prof. Zeng, Master of Peking Union Medical College, Researcher of Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Former China CDC Chief Epidemiologist, Founder of Chinese Field Epidemiology Training Program(CFETP), and Honored Advisor. In 2003, he served as a consultant to the Beijing SARS prevention and control headquarters. In 2020, he served as a member of the National Health Commission's high level expert group on COVID-19 prevention and control, making contributions to the decision making of the national COVID-19 prevention and control.

曾光教授,协和医学院硕士,中国疾控中心研究员,前流行病学首席专家,中国现场流行病学培训项目创始人,荣誉顾问。2003年任首都SARS防控指挥部顾问,2020年任国家卫健委新冠防控高级别专家组成员,为国家防控决策做出了贡献



**Robert Fontaine, MD**

**Senior Advisor for the Division of Global Health Protection**

Dr. Robert Fontaine is the Senior Advisor for the Division of Global Health Protection (DGHP) at CDC. He has worked at CDC since 1973, and first served overseas on smallpox eradication in India in 1974. In 1987 he began developing field epidemiology training programs as a resident advisor in Saudi Arabia, Jordan, and then China (2004-2012). In China he helped develop over 160 epidemiologists. For his accomplishments Government of China presented Dr. Fontaine with the Friendship Award.

Fontaine 博士, 现任CDC 全球健康保护司高级顾问。自 1973 年开始在 CDC 工作, 并于 1974 年首次在海外服务于印度的天花根除工作。从1987 年, 他开始在沙特阿拉伯、约旦和中国 (2004-2012 年) 担任常驻顾问, 发展现场流行病学培训项目。在中国, 他帮助培养了 160 多位流行病学家。为表彰其成就, 中国政府给Fontaine博士颁发了友谊奖。



**Wang Yu, MD, PhD**

**Former Director General, Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention**

Wang Yu served as Director General of Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention from 2004-2017. He led the national response to the emerging infectious diseases and public health emergencies, such as H1N1 Flu pandemic, human infected with H7N9 avian influenza epidemic, human infected with streptococcus suis, melamine-contaminated milk power incident, and Wenchuan post-earthquake disease prevention. He led and promoted national infectious disease surveillance and reporting system. He led and participated the response to the Ebola outbreak in West Africa and had actively involved in the initiative of the Africa CDC.

王宇博士,自2004年—2017年间任中国疾病预防控制中心主任。任职期间组织领导了国家及地方的重大新发传染病和突发公共卫生事件,包括H1N1流感大流行、人感染H7N9禽流感、人感染猪链球菌以及汶川特大地震灾后防疫。他领导和促进了国家传染病和突发公共卫生事件监测报告系统。在国际上,王宇领导和参加了援助西非抗击埃博拉爆发疫情,并积极参与了非洲疾控中心筹建。



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