

# The U.S. Medicine Institute For Health Studies

*In partnership with  
The Director of the District of Columbia Department of Health  
And the Commander of Walter Reed Army Medical Center*

**presents an interactive roundtable for decisionmakers**

## *Improving Bio-Preparedness In the National Capital Region*

**Hall of the States Building 444 North Capitol Street NW Room 333  
April 7 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

**John S. Parker, MD  
Moderator**

*Pandemic influenza poses a theoretical yet potentially substantial threat. Another anthrax incident remains in the realm of the possible. What have we learned from events and planning thus far, and what collaborative steps can be taken to increase preparedness for a natural or man-made incident?*

8:30 a.m. coffee

**Opening remarks:** [9:00 – 9:20]

John S. Parker, MD, Senior Vice President, SAIC

Gregg Pane, MD, Director, District of Columbia Department of Health

Maj. Gen. Kenneth Farmer, MC, USA, Commander, Walter Reed Army Medical Center

**Session I: Where are we now and what have we learned?** [9:20-10:30]

Open Discussion

Break [10:30-10:35]

**Session II: What collaborative steps can be taken to improve bio-preparedness?** [10:35-11:45]

**Overview:** [10:35-10:50]

Til Jolly, MD, Associate Medical Officer for Preparedness, Department of Homeland Security

Jeffrey Elting, MD, MPH, Medical Director, District of Columbia Hospital Association

Open Discussion [10:50-11:50]

**Session III: Concluding discussion and summary** [11:50 – 12:20]

Gregg Pane, Director, District of Columbia Department of Health

Maj. Gen. Kenneth Farmer, Commander, Walter Reed Army Medical Center

**Closing observations:** Moderator [12:20-12:30]

