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News Release

USU Celebrates Excellence In Research: Dr. Anthony Fauci to Deliver Plenary Address

BETHESDA, MD. — Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, of the National Institutes of Health, will deliver the plenary address during the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences' (USU) annual Research Week May 14-16.

Dr. Fauci will speak May 16 on *HIV/AIDS: Much Accomplished, Much to Do.* Dr. Fauci is a pioneer in the field of human immunoregulation and was recently awarded the 2007 George M. Kober Medal of the Association of American Physicians (AAP) for his outstanding contributions to academic medicine.

Also among the invited speakers is Stanley Maloy, Ph.D., professor and dean, College of Sciences, associate director, Center for Microbial Sciences, San Diego State University, Calif., who will present the Bullard Lecture.

This year's event, *Celebrating Excellence in Research*, reflects the complementary roles that nursing, public health, behavioral science, basic science, and medicine play in health promotion and disease prevention. There will be poster presentations, distinguished guests speakers, and panels to demonstrate USU's special role in civilian, public health, and military research initiatives across the health sciences.

The mission of Research Week is to promote research initiatives of faculty, staff and students providing opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration and communication among USU graduate students and faculty.

This annual three-day event incorporates Graduate School of Nursing and Graduate School of Medicine Student Colloquia highlighting research interests and accomplishments of graduate students in both fields. The Faculty Senate Research Day including poster presentations, invited speakers and panel discussions, draws the entire USU community to share research achievements, foster collaborations, and stimulate intellectual exchange.

Two highly anticipated lectures will be given by Chou-Zen Giam, Ph.D., USU professor of Microbiology and Immunology, the Henry C. Wu Award of Excellence awardee and Shiv Srivastava, Ph.D., USU professor and co-director, Center for Prostate Disease Research, the James J. Leonard Award for Excellence awardee.

Other significant events during the week include the Board of Regents quarterly meeting, and a lunch reception to celebrate the opening of the Center for Deployment Psychology (CDP) at the university. CDP is a tri-service center educating and training military and civilian psychologists, psychology interns/residents, and other behavioral health professionals to provide deployment related psychology services to military personnel and their families.

In addition, "Friends of USU" will host a special screening of the film *Fighting for Life* at USU in Sanford Auditorium May 17. The feature film, produced by an Academy Award-winning team, is a story about military medicine and includes USU-educated doctors and nurses currently serving on the front lines and around the world.

The week culminates as the students from the F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine, Graduate Education programs and Graduate School of Nursing receive their degrees during USU's 28th Commencement ceremony May 19 at the Daughters of the American Revolution, Constitution Hall, District of Columbia. This year's commencement speaker is Vice Admiral Donald Arthur, 35th Surgeon General of the Navy and Chief of the Navy's Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

Media interested in attending any of the week's events should call the Office of External Affairs at (301) 295-1219.