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RENÉE ROYAK-SCHALER
MEMORIAL LECTURE IN HEALTH
DISPARITIES

“MAKING AMERICA HEALTHIER
FOR ALL: HOW SOCIAL POLICIES
CAN PROMOTE HEALTH”



DAVID R. WILLIAMS, PH.D., M.P.H.

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Professor of African and African American Studies
and of Sociology, Harvard University*

March 25th, 2014 at 4:00pm
University of Maryland School of Medicine
HSF II Auditorium
20 Penn St., Baltimore, MD 21201

FEATURED SPEAKER
DAVID R. WILLIAMS PH.D., M.P.H.



David R. Williams is the Florence Sprague Norman and Laura Smart Norman Professor of Public Health at the Harvard School of Public Health and Professor of African and African American Studies and of Sociology at Harvard University.

Dr. Williams is an internationally renowned social scientist focused on social influences on health. His research has enhanced our understanding of the complex ways in which race, racial discrimination, socioeconomic status and religious involvement can affect physical and mental health. He developed the Everyday Discrimination Scale--currently one of the most widely used measures to assess perceived discrimination in health studies. He has authored more than 250 scholarly papers, much of which is highly cited, in leading scientific journals of sociology, psychology, medicine, public health and epidemiology.

Dr. Williams has been involved in the development of health policy at the national level in the U.S. He has served on the Department of Health and Human Services' National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics and on seven committees for the Institute of Medicine including the Committee that prepared the Unequal Treatment report. He directed the South African Stress and Health Study, the first nationally representative study of the prevalence and correlates of psychiatric disorders in sub-Saharan Africa. Currently, he directs the Lung Cancer Disparities Center at HSPH, one of 10 Centers for Population Health and Health Disparities funded by the National Institutes of Health.

Dr. Williams has appeared on national television, including ABC's Evening News, CNN, PBS, C-SPAN and the Discovery Channel. His research has been featured or he has been quoted in the national print media including the New York Times, Time, Newsweek, the Wall Street Journal, the Washington Post, Jet and USA Today. He was also a key scientific advisor to the award-winning PBS film series, *Unnatural Causes: Is Inequality Making Us Sick?*

PROGRAM

WELCOMING REMARKS

Jay S. Magaziner, Ph.D., M.S.Hyg.

Professor and Chair, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

E. Albert Reece, M.D., Ph.D., M.B.A.

*John Z. and Akiko K. Bowers Distinguished Professor and Dean and
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following the lecture event.**

RENÉE ROYAK-SCHALER, PH.D., M.ED.



This annual lecture is supported by a generous gift from the family of the late Renée Royak-Schaler, Ph.D., M.Ed. Devoted to cancer prevention among African Americans and to the elimination of disparities across the continuum of cancer care, Dr. Royak-Schaler also directed the University of Maryland School of Medicine M.P.H. Program until her sudden death in 2011. The aim of her family's gift is to bring the best scholars and policy makers in the country to the university to present their work on pressing issues in health disparities, and to bring much-needed visibility to this important topic.