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Dr Daron Ferris, MD is a Professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Georgia Regents University. He serves as Director of the Gynecologic Cancer Prevention Center and Director of the HPV-related Cancer Prevention Program at the same institution. Dr. Ferris received his medical degree from Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina and completed an internship and a residency in Family Medicine at East Carolina University in Greenville, North Carolina.

Dr. Ferris is a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Generalist Physician Faculty Scholar. He is the inventor of the Ferris Cervical Biopsy Model, the Ferris Cryosurgical Iceball Gauge, various anatomical teaching models, an anal Pap test device and software for digital imaging colposcopy.

Dr. Ferris is at present involved in numerous clinical research trials, including industry- and NIH-funded trials. Dr. Ferris' research interests include lower anogenital tract neoplasias; colposcopy; high resolution anoscopy; human papillomavirus (HPV); cervical and anal cancer prevention, screening, diagnosis and treatment; prophylactic and therapeutic vaccines; women's health; vaginitis; translational and clinical research; and pharmacologic and surgical therapies.

He has published numerous articles on colposcopy, HPV, HPV vaccines, and other women's health subjects in such peer-reviewed journals as the *New England Journal of Medicine*, *American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology*, *JAMA*, *The Lancet*, *Obstetrics and Gynecology* and *Journal of Lower Genital Tract Disease*. Dr Ferris is the President of CerviCusco located in Cusco, Peru. He is also a past president of the American Society for Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology and was the former director of the ASCCP Comprehensive Colposcopy course.



William Atkinson, M.D., M.P.H.

Associate Director for Immunization Education
Immunization Action Coalition
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Dr. William Atkinson is a former Medical Officer in the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, Georgia. He attended the University of Missouri - Kansas City School of Medicine with postgraduate training in Internal Medicine, adult Infectious Diseases, and Preventive Medicine and received a Master's Degree in Public Health from the Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine in New Orleans. At the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention he worked for 23 years in a variety of immunization-related activities including measles surveillance and outbreak control, the technical and training materials for vaccine providers, and the development of national immunization policy. From 1995 through 2012 he was the writer, producer and presenter for 125 national satellite broadcasts and webcasts on multiple vaccine-preventable disease topics. Dr. Atkinson retired from CDC in 2012 now serves as the Associate Director for Immunization Education for the Immunization Action Coalition, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Saint Paul, Minnesota.



Litjen (L.J) Tan, MS, PhD

Chief Strategy Officer

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L.J Tan is the Chief Strategy Officer for the Immunization Action Coalition, which he joined January 1st, 2013. Prior to that, L.J was the Director of Medicine and Public Health at the American Medical Association (AMA) for 15 years.

Dr. Tan also serves as Co-Chair of the National Adult and Influenza Immunization Summit, together with the CDC and the NVPO.

Dr. Tan recently served on the National Quality Forum's Adult Immunizations Expert Committee, and currently serves on the Pharmacy Quality Alliance's Adult Immunization Working Group, on the European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Vaccine Study Group (EVASG), and as an editor for the Journal for Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness, BMC Infectious Diseases and for Medscape Infectious Diseases.

He just completed his term as an elected member of the federal National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC). He still serves on the NVAC's HPV and Vaccine Confidence working groups. Previously, L.J chaired the Immunization Infrastructure WG and also served on the vaccine safety WG.

Dr. Tan also served as a liaison member of the federal Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP) for 12 years, and he still serves on the Adult Immunization working group. Previously, L.J also served on the influenza, zoster, and evidence-based working groups.



Kenneth A Alexander, MD, PhD

Division Chief

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Dr. Kenneth Alexander is a nationally known pediatric infectious diseases clinician and researcher. Dr. Alexander attended the University of Washington in Seattle, where he earned his M.D. and Ph.D. degrees. Following medical school, he received residency training at the Children's Hospital Medical Center in Boston, Massachusetts. Dr. Alexander completed fellowship training with the Division of Pediatric Infectious Diseases at Duke University. During his fellowship, he studied papillomaviruses in the research laboratories at Burroughs-Wellcome Company. In 1995, Dr. Alexander joined the faculty at Duke University. In 2005, he came to the Section of Pediatric Infectious Diseases at the University of Chicago, where he served as section chief. Dr. Alexander recently joined Nemours Children's Health System in Orlando, Florida and is currently the Division Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases in the Department of Pediatrics. His research interests include transcription and replication control of human papillomaviruses, innate immune responses to papillomavirus infections, papillomavirus antiviral therapy, and promotion of HPV vaccination in medically underserved communities. He has presented numerous lectures & authored many immunization publications.



Gary S. Marshall, M.D.

Professor of Pediatrics
Chief, Division of Pediatric Infectious Diseases
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A native of Philadelphia, Dr. Marshall received his undergraduate degree from the University of Pennsylvania and his medical degree from Vanderbilt University. After completing a pediatric residency at Vanderbilt in 1986, he entered a fellowship in infectious diseases at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. In 1989, he joined the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Louisville School of Medicine, where he is now Professor of Pediatrics, Chief of the Division of Pediatric Infectious Diseases, and Director of the Pediatric Clinical Trials Unit. Dr. Marshall also serves as an attending physician at Kosair Children's Hospital and sees patients in the infectious diseases clinic. During his tenure in Louisville, he has been recognized as an astute clinician/educator, a productive investigator, and an effective administrator. He has received the Outstanding Clinical Professor Award, Educator of the Year Award, and the Peer Clinician-Teacher Excellence Award from the Department of Pediatrics, as well as the Distinguished Educator Award from the School of Medicine and the Educational Achievement Award from the Kentucky Medical Association. In addition, under Dr. Marshall's leadership the pediatric residents have repeatedly recognized the Division of Pediatric Infectious Diseases for excellence in teaching and patient care. Dr. Marshall is a member of the Society for Pediatric Research and the Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society and has served in several national leadership positions. He has authored over 150 papers and is best known for his work in vaccine development, advocacy, and education. He is also the author of The Vaccine Handbook: A Practical Guide for Clinicians (The Purple Book), now in its 5th edition.



Donna L. Weaver, RN, MN

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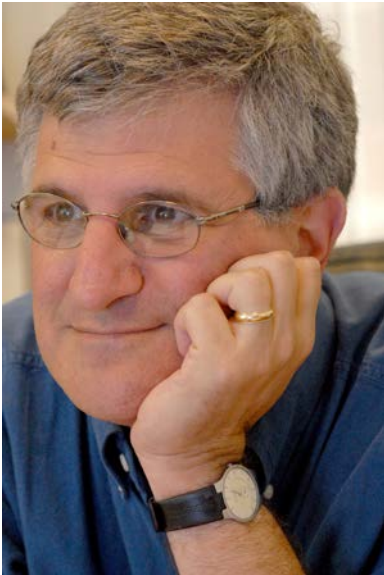
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Donna Weaver is a Nurse Educator for the Communication and Education Branch at CDC.

Donna earned her Master's Degree in Nursing at the University of South Carolina in Columbia.

She has been involved in immunization practice as a public health nurse in New Mexico, a state nurse consultant for 4 years in South Carolina, and now as a nurse educator at CDC for more than 15 years. Donna travels throughout the U.S. providing immunization information to healthcare providers and works on a variety of immunization education programs at CDC. She has been awarded the Excellence in Teaching Award from the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development and the Chief Nurse Officer Award for Public Health Service.



Paul A. Offit, MD

Director of the Vaccine Education Center

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Paul A. Offit, MD is the Director of the Vaccine Education Center at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia as well as the Maurice R. Hilleman Professor of Vaccinology and a Professor of Pediatrics at the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania.

He is a recipient of many awards including the J. Edmund Bradley Prize for Excellence in Pediatrics from the University of Maryland Medical School, the Young Investigator Award in Vaccine Development from the Infectious Disease Society of America, and a Research Career Development Award from the National Institutes of Health.

Dr. Offit has published more than 160 papers in medical and scientific journals in the areas of rotavirus-specific immune responses and vaccine safety. He is also the co-inventor of the rotavirus vaccine, RotaTeq, recommended for universal use in infants by the CDC; for this achievement Dr. Offit received the Luigi Mastroianni and William Osler Awards from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, the Charles Mérieux Award from the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases; and was honored by Bill and Melinda Gates during the launch of their Foundation's Living Proof Project for global health.

In 2009, Dr. Offit received the President's Certificate for Outstanding Service from the American Academy of Pediatrics. In 2011, Dr. Offit received the Humanitarian of the Year Award from the Biologics Industry Organization (BIO), the David E. Rogers Award from the American Association of Medical Colleges, the Odyssey Award from the Center for Medicine in the Public Interest, and was elected to the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences. In 2012, Dr. Offit received the Distinguished Medical Achievement Award from the College of Physicians of Philadelphia and the Drexel Medicine Prize in Translational Medicine from the Drexel University College of Medicine. In 2013, Dr. Offit received the Maxwell Finland award for Outstanding Scientific Achievement from the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases, the Distinguished Alumnus award from the University of Maryland School of Medicine, and the Innovators in Health Award from the Group Health Foundation. In 2015, Dr. Offit won the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching from the University of Pennsylvania and was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Dr Offit was a member of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and is a founding advisory board member of the Autism Science Foundation and the Foundation for Vaccine Research.

He is also the author of six medical narratives: *The Cutter Incident: How America's First Polio Vaccine Led to Today's Growing Vaccine Crisis* (Yale University Press, 2005), *Vaccinated: One Man's Quest to Defeat the World's Deadliest Diseases* (HarperCollins, 2007), for which he won an award from the American Medical Writers Association, *Autism's False Prophets: Bad Science, Risky Medicine, and the Search for a Cure* (Columbia University Press, 2008), *Deadly Choices: How the Anti-Vaccine Movement Threatens Us All* (Basic Books, 2011), which was selected by Kirkus Reviews and Booklist as one of the best non-fiction books of the year, *Do You Believe in Magic?: The Sense and Nonsense of Alternative Medicine* (HarperCollins, 2013), which won the Robert P. Balles Prize in Critical Thinking from the Center for Skeptical Inquiry and was selected by National Public Radio as one of the best books of 2013, and *Bad Faith: When Religious Belief Undermines Modern Medicine* (Basic Books, 2015), selected by the New York Times Book Review as an "Editor's Choice" book in April 2015.



Alison Singer

Co-Founder and President
Autism Science Foundation
New York, New York

Alison Singer is Co-Founder and President of the Autism Science Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to funding autism research and supporting the needs of people with autism. As the mother of a child with autism and legal guardian of her adult brother with autism, she is a natural advocate. Since 2007, Singer has served on the national Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee (IACC) which is charged with writing a strategic plan to guide federal spending for autism research. She also serves on the executive board of the Yale Child Study Center, on the external advisory board of the Marcus Autism Center at Emory University, and on the external advisory board of the CDC's Center for Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities. In 2012, the American Academy of Pediatrics named her an "autism champion". Prior to founding the Autism Science Foundation in 2009, she served as Executive Vice President of Autism Speaks and as a Vice President at NBC. She graduated magna cum laude from Yale University with a B.A. in Economics and has an MBA from Harvard Business School.



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Frankie Milley

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Frankie Milley is a native Houstonian. She has been married to Bob Milley for 42 years and the mother of an only child, Ryan who died from meningococcal meningitis at the age of 18.

Medical laboratory, radiology and EMS and are the roots of Frankie's early education and career.

As a result of Ryan's death, Milley founded, Meningitis Angels, a national nonprofit organization which has become an international network of education, survivor communications, patient advocacy and service. Meningitis Angels currently represents over 600 + Angels and families across the U.S. and over 15+ abroad.

She is the creator of one of the first teen awareness groups in the country called "The Vaccinators". Their latest project in 2014 is a music video telling the stories of meningitis.

For her work on infant and adolescent immunizations and meningitis prevention she has received letters of recognition from both Presidents Bush and Obama. She has received recognition from several governors around the country including Governors Rick Perry and Arnold Swartznager and numerous state senators. She is a past honoree of the Houston Area Immunization Partnership for her public service in promoting vaccinations.

Her proudest and most bitter sweet moment was when the US House of Representatives issued, US House Resolution 403, on behalf of Meningitis Angels across the country and Frankie Milley for their work on the prevention of meningitis, in memory of Ryan Wayne Milley.

Milley has helped to write and advocate several bills into law including 2001 Texas Senate Bill 31 which helped Texas become the first state in the country to educate students of all ages and their parents on bacterial meningitis (meningococcal and pneumococcal) and required ALL college students to sign a waiver of refusal for meningococcal vaccine.

Earlier she led the advocacy in Texas and 30 + states across the country on a law requiring full immunization for day care entry and include Pneumococcal vaccine to the list of required vaccines.

She help write the rules request and led the advocacy in Texas for a middle school mandate which requires Tdap, meningococcal and Varicella vaccines and continues to follow ACIP recommendations. This work is continued across the country.

She is a charter member of the Texas Immunization Stakeholder Working Group (TISWG) and has participated in the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) stakeholders public committee hearings on meningococcal vaccines for both adolescents and infants.

Milley has led Angels in some of the largest campaigns in the country and around the world for World Meningitis Day involving hundreds of meningitis families, policy makers and the public.

She speaks at local, state and national meetings and venues about her personal experiences and the importance of disease prevention through immunizations for all and continues to be one of the country's top immunization advocates.