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Dialogue 6

Ethics Review of Outbreak Research: A System Doomed to Fail?

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12 Noon, Friday, March 25, 2005
Rosenstiel Building 3109 (Microbiology Conference Room)

—————> Lunch will be provided <—————
(No RSVPs required)

Outbreak research – as our experience with SARS demonstrates – confounds established mechanisms for international research, multi-center trials and IRB review. More work is required to have timely, rigorous systems in place to review international outbreak research. Any plans for oversight must respect countries by working with local populations and authorities.

Dr. Saginur chairs the Ottawa Hospital Research Ethics Board and has been actively involved in public policy regarding infectious diseases and clinical trials. He spearheaded a central IRB for cancer, the Ontario Cancer Research Ethics Board, and led the development of the Canadian Association of Research Ethics Boards.

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