ROSE F. KENNEDY CENTER
50TH ANNIVERSARY SYMPOSIUM

Celebrating the Rose F. Kennedy IDDRC at Half-Century: Looking Toward the Next 50 Years of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Research

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2017  |  ROBBINS AUDITORIUM  |  FORCHHEIMER BUILDING

1:00 – 1:15 p.m.
Welcome and Opening Remarks
Dr. Steven Walkley, director, Rose F. Kennedy IDDRC, Albert Einstein College of Medicine

1:15 – 2:40 p.m.
Plenary Speaker  |  The Inclusion Revolution
Dr. Timothy Shriver, chair, Special Olympics, Washington, DC

Autism—Past and Future: ASD in Minority Populations
Dr. John Constantino, co-director, IDDRC, Washington University School of Medicine

2:40 – 3:00 p.m.
Break

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Newborn Screening and the Future of IDD Discovery and Treatment
Dr. Edward McCabe, distinguished professor emeritus, UCLA School of Medicine

Niemann-Pick C: The Road from Disease Discovery to Therapy
Dr. Daniel Ory, distinguished professor of medicine, Washington University School of Medicine

DiGeorge (22q11.2 DS) Syndrome: Discovery, Research and Clinic Development at Montefiore and Einstein
Dr. Bernice Morrow, Sidney L. and Miriam K. Olson Chair in Cardiology, Albert Einstein College of Medicine

5:00 – 5:30 p.m.
Closing and Adjournment to Main Street Reception
Timothy Shriver, Ph.D., is chair of the Special Olympics and a son of Eunice and Sargent Shriver, who were instrumental in passing legislation establishing the IDDRC network. Following in his mother’s footsteps, Dr. Shriver founded Best Buddies, and as chair of the Special Olympics happily serves with over 4.6 million Special Olympics athletes, in 170 countries, to promote health, education and a more-unified world through the joy of sports. Before joining the Special Olympics, Dr. Shriver was a leading educator, and in 1999 co-founded the Collaborative for Academic, Social and Emotional Learning. He is also the author of the New York Times best seller Fully Alive: Discovering What Matters Most.

John Constantino, M.D., is the Blanche F. Ittleson Professor of Psychiatry and Pediatrics at Washington University School of Medicine and co-director of its IDDRC. He directs a federally funded program of research that attempts to elucidate the mechanisms of inherited transmission of autism spectrum disorders. Part of Dr. Constantino’s medical training (1988–1993) was at the Children’s Evaluation and Rehabilitation Center at Einstein’s Rose F. Kennedy Center. Dr. Constantino is an internationally recognized leader in autism research and will speak about his ongoing collaborations with Dr. Sophie Molholm (associate director of Einstein’s IDDRC) on autism in minority populations.

Edward McCabe, M.D., Ph.D., is a distinguished professor emeritus and the inaugural Mattel Executive Endowed Chair of the department of pediatrics at the UCLA School of Medicine, inaugural physician-in-chief of the UCLA Mattel Children’s Hospital and former chief medical officer of the March of Dimes. He received the 2017 Advocacy Award from the American Society of Human Genetics, in part for his work on newborn screening. He was a member of the IDDRCs at the University of Colorado and UCLA, and founding director of the Baylor IDDRC. With the March of Dimes, he advocated for 2014’s Newborn Screening Saves Lives Reauthorization Act. Dr. McCabe will describe the latest advances in, and the future of, newborn screening for IDDs.

Daniel Ory, M.D., is the Alan A. and Edith L. Wolff Distinguished Professor of Medicine at Washington University School of Medicine, where he is also a member of its IDDRC. He is a close colleague of Dr. Steven Walkley (director of Einstein’s IDDRC). Drs. Ory and Walkley worked with Dr. Forbes Porter (director of research at the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development) on the discovery and phase 1/2a clinical trial for cyclodextrin, a treatment for the fatal lysosomal disease Niemann-Pick type C. Montefiore is today a site for the cyclodextrin phase 2b/3 clinical trial run by Vtesse/Sucampo (lead physicians: Drs. Paul Levy and Melissa Wasserstein).

Bernice Morrow, Ph.D., is the Sidney L. and Miriam K. Olson Chair in Cardiology at Einstein. Dr. Morrow began studies on 22q11.2 deletion syndrome/DiGeorge syndrome in the 1990s with Dr. Raju Kucherlapati, then chair of genetics at Einstein. She is an international leader in the effort to understand the genetics and pathophysiology of this condition, originally identified as a syndrome at Montefiore in 1978 by Dr. Robert Shprintzen. Through Dr. Morrow’s efforts, as supported by Drs. Judy Aschner and Jan Vijg, chairs of pediatrics and of genetics, respectively, at Montefiore/Einstein, a 22q11.2 DS clinic opened on September 14, 2017.

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