







## Dear Colleagues,

The University of Washington, Global WACh, International Respiratory and Severe Illness Center (INTERSECT), Strategic Analysis Research and Training (START) Program and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation invite you to commemorate World Pneumonia Day on Monday, November 12, 2012. Pneumonia is the world's leading killer of children under five years of age. Honoring World Pneumonia Day is an important opportunity to raise awareness and foster collaboration to combat this preventable and treatable disease.

**To raise awareness:** The keynote speaker for the evening will be the new Director of Vaccine Delivery at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Dr. Orin Levine. Dr. Levine is an expert in the fields of international public health, immunization, and pneumonia, and he is the former Executive Director of the International Vaccine Access Center (IVAC) at Johns Hopkins University. We are excited to host Dr. Levine, who has been a supporter of World Pneumonia Day since its inception.

**To foster collaboration:** Immediately following Dr. Levine's talk, we welcome attendees to join us for an informal networking reception where they can learn about UW and the Seattle Global Health Community's efforts to fight pneumonia. This reception also offers attendees the opportunity to learn about and take part in the Global Coalition Against Child Pneumonia, a global network of more than 140 NGOs, community-based organizations, academic institutions, government agencies, and foundations that provide leadership for World Pneumonia Day and advocate for pneumonia prevention and treatment.

We hope you will join us for this evening dedicated to creating awareness and fostering collaboration to make further strides in the fight against pneumonia.

Date: Monday, November 12, 2012

Time:

Lecture: 5:30pm – 6:30pm Reception: 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Location:

Lecture: Foege Auditorium Reception: Vista Café

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