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October 28, 2015 - 3:00pm - 5:00pm

**Venue:**

The Wilson Center (5th Floor), 1300 Pennsylvania, Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20004

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More than half the world's population is now urban, and more than a quarter of the 100 fastest-growing cities are in Africa. Though urbanization is often associated with improved health, African cities are struggling to cope with the demands of growing populations. Poor women and children in African cities are the least likely socioeconomic groups to have access to preventive health services. Child mortality among the urban poor is double the rate of the wealthiest urban residents.

To support a prosperous and equitable future for Africa, health systems must adapt to meet the needs of growing urban populations. Speakers from Management Sciences for Health (MSH), the U.S. Agency for International Development, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and the Africa Population and Health Research Center will discuss public health trends and interventions that have made an impact in African cities.

A reception and art exhibit following the discussion will feature photographs from *A Corridor of Contrasts*, a report on urban health issues in West Africa's Abidjan-Lagos transport corridor, published by MSH's USAID-funded African Strategies for Health Project.

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## Speakers

- **Catharine Taylor**, Vice President, Health Programs Group, Management Sciences for Health
- **Clea Finkle**, Program Officer, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- **Anthony Kolb**, Urban Health Advisor, U.S. Agency for International Development
- **Dr. Donatien Beguy**, Head of Statistics and Survey Unit, Africa Population Health Research Center

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*Panel and Reception*



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