Housing and Health: Changing the Healthcare Paradigm Through a Healthy Homes Program

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As the Affordable Care Act is implemented in states across the country, a greater emphasis will be placed on preventive health as part of patient-centered medical homes as the basis for managing chronically ill patients. This “upstream” approach to medicine requires new thinking outside of the traditional clinical practice paradigm. Mr. Kennedy will discuss the efforts at Children’s Mercy Hospitals and Clinics in Kansas City to integrate home environmental exposure and hazard mitigation into comprehensive care coordination for children with chronic illnesses. For 15 years, the Center for Environmental Health at Children’s Mercy has conducted assessments for a wide range of respiratory irritants and chemical exposures in over 800 homes of pediatric patients. Ongoing research linking home environmental conditions with health outcomes such as asthma will also be discussed.

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Helen Wood Hall Auditorium (1.304)
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Assorted wraps will be available while supplies last. Bring your own beverage.

ASL interpreters or other accommodations are available upon request.
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