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Dr. Puliafito

Speaker: Carmen A. Puliafito, M.D., M.B.A. – Dean, Keck School of Medicine, USC
On: Friday, January 11, 2008
Location: Everglades Dining Room

Carmen A. Puliafito, M.D., M.B.A., is Dean of the Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California, holder of the May S. and John Hooval Dean's Chair in Medicine, and Professor of Ophthalmology and Health Management at the Doheny Eye Institute. Dr. Puliafito assumed his role at the Keck School on November 1, 2007. He is recognized as co-inventor of the technology of optical coherence tomography (OCT) and being the first ophthalmologist to use this technology to study the human macula in health and disease. For his work on OCT, Dr. Puliafito was awarded (along with James Fujimoto and Eric Swanson), the 2002 Rank Prize, which is a prestigious award in optoelectronics. He recently participated in the introduction of bevacizumab (Avastin) for the treatment of retinal disorders.

From 2001 to 2007, Dr. Puliafito served as chair of the Department of Ophthalmology at the Bascom Palmer Eye Institute at the University of Miami School of Medicine. He earned acclaim for creating and enacting a strategy for growth that resulted in two satellite patient care centers in Naples and Plantation, Florida. Bascom Palmer reclaimed the number one ranking in *U.S. News and World Report's* rankings of eye hospitals in 2004 and remained there since.

Prior to his work at Bascom Palmer, Dr. Puliafito served as founding director of the New England Eye Center and chair of the Department of Ophthalmology at Tufts from 1991 to 2001. During this time, he earned an M.B.A. from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Puliafito began his career at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, where he was founder of the Laser Research Laboratory, director of the Morse Laser Center, a member of the Retina Service, and Associate Professor of Ophthalmology at Harvard Medical School. A graduate of Harvard College and a *magna cum laude* graduate of Harvard Medical School, he completed his residency and fellowship at Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, as well as fellowships in ophthalmic pathology and vitreoretinal diseases and surgery.



H.E. Pastrana

Speaker: H.E. Mr. Andrés Pastrana – Former President of Colombia
On: Friday, January 25, 2008
Location: Everglades Dining Room

Born in 1954, Dr. Andrés Pastrana Arango was President of the Republic of Colombia from 1998 to 2002. Dr. Pastrana began his political career in 1982, by gaining a seat on the local Bogotá council. Before becoming president in 1998, he was also president of the City Council of Bogotá; he was the first elected mayor of Bogotá (1988-1990), president of the Latin American Chapter of International Union of Local Authorities (IULA); vice president of Ibero-American Union of Capital Cities (UCCI) and founder of the Party Nueva Fuerza Democrática.

During his presidency, Dr. Pastrana made some important steps with his negotiations with FARC (the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia) and ELN (National Liberation Army). His administration also proposed, and initially oversaw, the implementation of Plan Colombia aid package and anti-drug strategy.

During his father's presidency, Dr. Pastrana graduated as a lawyer from the University of Rosario in Bogotá. He was a fellow at Harvard University Center for International Affairs. He founded a magazine called *Guión* and a television news program called *Noticiero TV Hoy*. He was director of *TV Hoy News* from 1980 to 1987. He was twice presented with the King of Spain award for journalism.

12:00 Noon Luncheon at The Naples Beach Hotel
12:45 p.m. Address by Speaker
1:15 p.m. Questions from the audience

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