

**2012 VISITING LECTURE SERIES:  
HARVARD CATALYST  
PROGRAM FOR FACULTY DEVELOPMENT  
AND DIVERSITY LECTURE**

***“Reducing Health Disparities: An Interdisciplinary Approach”***

**Wednesday, February 8th, 2012**  
12:45 pm - 1:45 pm, Reception to follow

**Waterhouse Room, Gordon Hall**  
Harvard Medical School  
25 Shattuck Street, Boston MA

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**William G. Coleman, Jr., Ph.D.**

Scientific Director of the Intramural Research Program  
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In addition to being the Scientific Director of the Intramural Research Program at the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD), Dr. Coleman is concurrently a senior investigator in the laboratory of Biochemistry and Genetics at the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK). His laboratory research focuses on the understanding of the mechanisms of bacterial pathogenesis, specifically as they relate to ulcer disease and other bacterial infections. Over his extensive career at the NIH, he has made seminal contributions to the elucidation of lipopolysaccharide bio-synthesis, intrinsic gram-negative bacteria antibiotic resistance, and the pathogenic mechanisms of *Helicobacter pylori*.

Originally from Birmingham, Alabama, he holds a B.S. from Talladega College, an M.S. in microbial physiology from Atlanta University, and a Ph.D. in microbiology and molecular genetics from Purdue University. Following a year as a lecturer and postdoc in the Department of Biological Sciences at Purdue University, he began postdoctoral training in 1974 in the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, Laboratory of Biochemical Pharmacology. In 1978 he earned his tenure as a research microbiologist in the same laboratory. He has conducted research in virology and microbiology for more than 30 years. He has an Inventor Award from the U.S. Department of Commerce, and is listed in the American Men and Women of Science, as well as the Outstanding Young Men of America.

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**Space is limited. Please RSVP online by Friday, February 3, 2012:**

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