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and program director, Urgent Matters, **Marsha Regenstein, PhD, MCP**, associate research professor of Health Policy, **Donna Sickler**, research associate, **Bonne Norton**, senior research assistant, **Karen Jones, MS**, research scientist and lecturer, and **Janice Blanchard, MD**, assistant professor, Emergency Medicine, co-authored a report with the RAND Corporation on the District's health care delivery system. The report evaluated data on chronic disease, insurance, hospital capacity and emergency services, and was the subject of a recent article in *The Washington Post*.

Commencement 2008 Weekend Information

GW Commencement 2008 Weekend celebrations and ceremonies are set for May 16-18. The Doctoral Hooding Ceremony will take place on Friday, May 16 at 1:30 p.m., Lisner Auditorium. Tickets are required, for more information call 202-994-7129.

The School of Public Health and Health Services Celebration will take place on Saturday, May 17 at Noon, Lisner Auditorium. Tickets are required, for more information call 202-994-2632.

The School of Medicine and Health Sciences—Health Sciences Celebration will take place on Saturday, May 17 at 4 p.m., Lisner Auditorium. Tickets are required, for more information call 202-994-0437.

The School of Medicine of Health Sciences—MD Celebration will take place on Sunday, May 18 at 2:30 p.m., Lisner Auditorium. Tickets are required, for more information call 202-994-2170.

The University Commencement is Sunday, May 18 at 10 a.m. on the National Mall. For information, visit www.commencement.gwu.edu.

Round of Applause



Dr. Leslie Gondor, a family and general practitioner, and Dr. Magdolina Iranyi, a pediatrician, have generously supported many programs in the medical school. Throughout the years, this family has also made gifts in honor of Dr. Gondor's father, Dr. Arnold Gondor, a dentist and oral surgeon who fled war-torn Hungary. While their focus has been on the tie between family practice and community service, each year, they support a physician within the Area Health Education Center. Recently Senior Associate Dean for Health Sciences Programs Jean Johnson, PhD, NP, and Lisa Alexander, EdD, MPH, PA, assistant dean, Community-Based Partnerships, expressed gratitude to Drs. Gondor and Iranyi and provided them with an update on the impact of their support on DC community-based projects. From left, George Gondor, MD '97, Dr. Johnson, Dr. Leslie Gondor, Dr. Magdolina Iranyi, and Dr. Alexander.

HIV Research Published

Alan E. Greenberg, MD, MPH, professor and chair, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, recently co-authored three published papers on important HIV research topics, as well as a chapter on HIV epidemiology and prevention. The first paper, titled, "Efficacy of a Parent-Based Sexual-Risk Prevention Program for African American Preadolescents: A Randomized Controlled Trial," focused on the efficacy of a parenting program designed to teach communication skills to prevent sexual risk behavior in preadolescents. This paper was in the December edition of *Archives of Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine*.

The second paper, titled "Effectiveness of Repeat Single-Dose Nevirapine for Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission of HIV-1 in Repeat Pregnancies in Uganda," was published in the *Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes*. This study demonstrated no decrease in the effectiveness of single-dose nevirapine to prevent mother-infant HIV transmission in women who had previously received single-dose nevirapine in prior pregnancies.

The third paper, which was also published in the *Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes*, focused on the reduction in injection risk behaviors for HIV and HCV infection among young injection drug users, using a peer-education intervention. The intervention caused a decrease in self-reported injection risk behaviors.

Lastly, Dr. Greenberg was the first author of a textbook chapter in *Maxcy, Rosenau, Last Public-Health and Preventive Medicine* on the "Epidemiology and Prevention of HIV/AIDS."