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2009 Award Recipient: Philip Darney, MD, MSc

Dr. Philip Darney is a professor of obstetrics, gynecology and reproductive sciences at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF), chief of obstetrics and gynecology at San Francisco General Hospital, and co-director of the UCSF Bixby Center for Global Reproductive Health. He has served on the medical faculties at Harvard University, the Oregon Health Sciences University, and UCSF. He is board-certified in preventive medicine and obstetrics and gynecology and received his training in these



specialties at the Centers for Disease Control, Atlanta, and Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston. He is a fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology as well as a member of the Institute of Medicine.

Dr. Darney is the author of more than 200 scientific papers, scholarly reviews, and book chapters on contraception and gynecology as well as three books about family planning. He has conducted clinical and acceptability trials of implant, injectable and oral contraceptives, contragestins, and intrauterine devices. In 1999, Dr. Darney and his colleague, Nancy Padian, MD, formed the Bixby Center for Global Reproductive Health at UCSF. The Center provides family planning services to teenagers and indigent women, trains gynecologists from all over the world in family planning technology, and monitors California's family planning program. Its research addresses contraception and abortion, maternal mortality reduction, adolescent reproductive health, sexually transmitted infections, and prevention of HIV/AIDS. Dr. Darney also founded the New Generation Health Center at UCSF, which provides family planning services to low-income teenagers.

During the past 25 years, Dr. Darney has served as a scientific advisor and field evaluator for the American Public Health Association (APHA), EngenderHealth,

International Projects Assistance Service, Family Health International, the U.S. Agency for International Development, Pathfinder International, and the Centers for Disease Control. He has been a visiting professor and consultant in more than 30 countries around the world. He is a reviewer for many prominent publications including the *Journal of the American Medical Association* and the *New England Journal of Medicine*, and is on the editorial boards of *Obstetrics and Gynecology* and *Contraception*. He has sat on the boards of directors of Planned Parenthood, EngenderHealth, and the Guttmacher Institute. He is also the medical advisor to the International Planned Parenthood Federation. The APHA has honored Dr. Darney for "distinguished service in maternal and child health" and "major contributions to reproductive health."

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