EXPLORING HEALTH IMPACTS
OF SHALE GAS DEVELOPMENT ON CHILDREN

FREE PROGRAM FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS
Registration in advance preferred, walk-ins welcome. Dinner is included.

JUNE 6, 2018  6:00-9:00 PM
Allegheny County Medical Society
713 Ridge Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15212

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Ned Ketyer, MD, FAAP
Dr. Ned Ketyer is a Pittsburgh pediatrician with special interests in developmental pediatrics, preventative medicine, and environmental health. He earned his bachelor’s degree from the University of Vermont and his medical degree from Northwestern University Medical School. He completed his residency at Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh. After practicing for more than 26 years at Pediatric Alliance, Dr. Ketyer retired from office practice at the beginning of 2017, however, he continues to write and edit Pediatric Alliance’s popular blog, The PediaBlog, which just celebrated its 5th anniversary and 2,000th post! Dr. Ketyer is a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics Council on Environmental Health. He is a consultant for the Southwest Pennsylvania Environmental Health Project and a board member of Physicians for Social Responsibility - Pennsylvania. A recently-trained Climate Reality Project Leader, Dr. Ketyer is committed to raising public awareness about the climate crisis and health issues related to poor regional air quality, and inspiring people to embrace the solutions already in hand.

Larysa Dyrszka, MD
Dr. Larysa Dyrszka is a graduate of Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis. Following residency and board certification in pediatrics, she practiced general pediatrics and held the position of Director of Pediatrics at Holy Name Hospital in Teaneck, NJ. She is a United Nations representative to ECOSOC with the World Federation of Ukrainian Women’s Organizations. Her recent work has been focused on children’s rights, particularly health. A SUNY (State University of New York) Sullivan Community College Board of Trustees member since 2009, she was appointed by Governor Paterson, and has served as secretary of the Board. Dr. Dyrszka has become an advocate for public health on the issue of oil and gas exploration and production. She is a founding member of Sullivan Area Citizens for Responsible Energy Development. Together with fellow NY medical colleagues, she founded Concerned Health Professionals of New York, and has been involved in the production of five editions of their Compendium of Scientific, Medical, and Media Findings Demonstrating Risks and Harms of Fracking. She is also on the Executive Board of Physicians for Social Responsibility - New York.

Peggy Slota, DNP, RN, FAAN
Dr. Slota is currently an Associate Professor and Director of the DNP Graduate Studies at Georgetown University. Her experience includes professional positions as a critical care clinical nurse specialist, transport nurse, staff development educator, university faculty, and administrative director of critical care services. As an administrator, she was responsible for operations in multiple critical care units and respiratory, palliative care, critical care transport and ECMO services. Dr. Slota served on the Board of Directors for the Center for Organ Recovery and Education and the Center for Emergency Medicine and STAT MedEvac, and was a member of the Nursing Advisory Council to the Pennsylvania State Emergency Medical Services. She served as Chair of the Pennsylvania State Nurses Association Environmental Health Committee and is currently a member of Climate Reality Leadership Corps, Advisory Council for MACCHe, Franklin Park Environmental Advisory Council, and Board of Directors for Women for a Healthy Environment. She has presented frequently and published many articles in refereed journals and three books. She was a member of the national Steering Committee of the Pediatric Special Interest Group for the American Association of Critical Care Nurses, an Editorial Board Member and Department Editor for Critical Care Nurse, and Editor of three editions of the Core Curriculum for Pediatric Critical Care Nursing. She has been honored as a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing, a Fellow in the AACN Leadership for Academic Nursing Program, Cameos of Caring Nurse Educator Award, UPMC Beckwith Fellow, Nightingale Award Finalist in Nursing Research, and Nurse of the Year at Children’s Hospital in Pittsburgh.

Irena Gorski, MPH
Irena received her degree in Geoscience from Penn State University where her thesis focused on evaluating the water quality impacts of unconventional natural gas development. While working for an environmental remediation company in Pennsylvania, she became more concerned about the air quality and health impacts of the industry. Last year, she worked with Chesapeake Physicians for Social Responsibility on their campaign for the hydraulic fracturing ban in Maryland while earning her MPH. She is now pursuing her Ph.D. in Environmental Epidemiology at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health where she is focusing her doctoral research on investigating the health impacts of unconventional natural gas development. She is a co-author with Dr. Brian Schwartz, her doctoral advisor, on the soon-to-be-released Oxford Research Encyclopedia chapter on the health impacts of unconventional natural gas development.