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Motivating Consumers Toward Healthy Behaviors

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Dr. Duncan has been a member of the faculty since 1979. He is a nationally prominent health services researcher, best known for his studies of access to various forms of medical and dental care. In recent years, much of his work has focused on health insurance and the uninsured. Between 1999 and 2001, he served as Principal Investigator for three major surveys examining health insurance circumstances in Florida, Indiana, and Kansas. Dr. Duncan has published widely, including articles in such prominent journals as Medical Care, and Health Affairs. In 1996, 1997, and 1998, Dr. Duncan was selected "Teacher of the Year" by HSRMP graduate students. His current research includes an evaluation of Florida’s Medicaid Provider Service Network Demonstration Project, ongoing studies of dental care utilization, and a study of the characteristics of high-cost hospital patients.

Dr. Hall joined the University of Florida in 2003 and serves as the Research Director for the University of Florida Center for Medicaid and the Uninsured. She is also an Associate Professor in the Department of Health Services Research, Management, and Policy and serves as one of the investigators on a project to evaluate Medicaid reforms in Florida. Prior to joining the University of Florida, Dr. Hall worked for the United Hospital Fund, the Commonwealth Fund, and served as an adjunct assistant professor at New York University. At the United Hospital Fund she served as the principal investigator on a qualitative research project that examined the quality of primary care in New York City. She has also worked as a health care consultant in Guyana and in Jamaica. Dr. Hall is interested in issues related to access to care for vulnerable populations including Medicaid, the health care safety net, and primary care delivery systems. Dr. Hall holds a Ph.D. in Health Policy from the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health.

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