San Francisco General Hospital Foundation Congratulates Dr. Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo on Appointment as Co-Vice Chair of the U.S. Preventative Services Task Force

SAN FRANCISCO (March 19, 2014) – San Francisco General Hospital Foundation (SFGHF) congratulates Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, Ph.D., M.D., on her appointment as co-vice chair of the U.S. Preventative Services Task Force (USPSTF). Dr. Bibbins-Domingo is an attending physician and Director of the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) Center for Vulnerable Populations at San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center (The General) and also serves on the SFGHF board as Vice-President. She was appointed to this new position by the director of the federal Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality.

“On behalf of the staff at The General and the Foundation, I am pleased to congratulate Dr. Bibbins-Domingo on her prestigious new appointment,” said Sue Currin, RN, MSN, CEO of The General. “We are proud of her previous work as a member of the Task Force, and look forward to all that the Task Force will accomplish under her leadership as co-vice chair. Preventative and primary care are a major focus of health reform, and we are happy that one of our physician leaders is contributing to that work on the national level.”

“As a member, Dr. Bibbins-Domingo’s expertise in epidemiology, health disparities, and chronic disease prevention was integral to the work of the Task Force,” said outgoing Task Force chair, Virginia Moyer, M.D., M.P.H. “I am pleased that the Task Force will continue to benefit from the contributions of Dr. Bibbins-Domingo as she assumes her new leadership position of co-vice chair.”

The Task Force is an independent, volunteer panel of national experts in prevention and evidence-based medicine. Members come from many health-related fields, including internal medicine, family medicine, pediatrics, behavioral health, obstetrics/gynecology and nursing.

Dr. Bibbins-Domingo has been a member of the Task Force since July 2010. She is the Lee Goldman, MD endowed chair in medicine and professor of medicine and of epidemiology and biostatistics at UCSF. Dr.
Bibbins-Domingo’s research focuses on the epidemiology of cardiovascular diseases; race, ethnic and income disparities in health; and clinical and public health interventions aimed at chronic disease prevention. She has been the recipient of many honors and awards, including induction into the American Society for Clinical Investigation, and has served on several committees for the Institute of Medicine.

To learn more about Dr. Bibbins-Domingo and all members of the Task Force, visit http://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/members.htm.

About San Francisco General Hospital Foundation
San Francisco General Hospital Foundation is an independent not-for-profit corporation 501(c)(3) that provides fundraising support to San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center (The General). San Francisco General Hospital Foundation is dedicated to promoting excellence in research, education and care for all at The General. The vital funding raised by SFGH Foundation allows The General to continue its long history of providing quality health care to San Francisco and the Greater Bay Area. Some of the programs funded wholly or in part by SFGH Foundation include the Avon Comprehensive Breast Care Center, ACE Unit (Acute Care for Elders), Institute for Global Orthopedics and Traumatology (IGOT), The Children’s Fund, Women's Health Initiative, The Center for Vulnerable Populations (CVP), Cancer Awareness Resources Education (C.A.R.E.), Bay Area Perinatal AIDS Center (BAPAC), and the Orthopedics Trauma Center of Excellence. For more information, please visit www.sfghf.net.

About the Task Force
The Task Force is an independent volunteer panel of national experts in prevention and evidence-based medicine. The Task Force works to improve the health of all Americans by making evidence-based recommendations about clinical preventive services, such as screenings, counseling services, or preventive medicines. More information on the Task Force is available at www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org.

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