



## Summit on Shaping Our Planetary Legacy: Setting an Agenda for Environmental Reproductive Health

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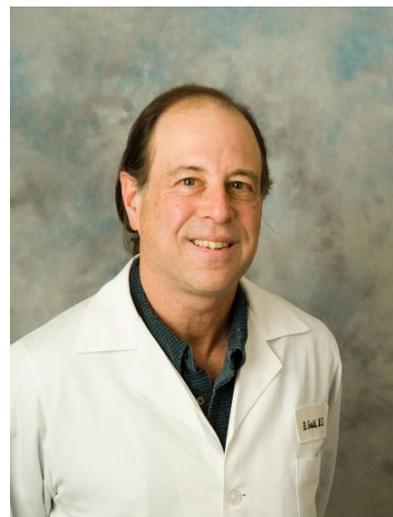
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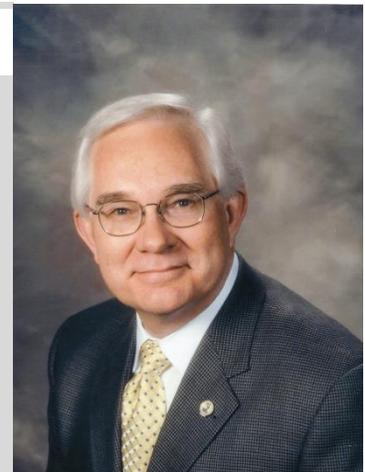
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