



# Harvard School of Public Health

## WEIGHING THE EVIDENCE:

Symposium on Overweight, Obesity and Mortality

*May 26, 2005, Snyder Auditorium, 10:30 am -12:30 pm*

### Program

#### *Introduction and Moderators:*

10:30                    **Meir Stampfer**, Chair of the Department of Epidemiology, HSPH and **Walter Willett**, Chair of the Department of Nutrition, HSPH will give a brief overview of the related issues of optimal weight and number of deaths attributable to obesity

#### *Featured Speakers:*

10:45                    **JoAnn Manson** - Professor of Epidemiology at HSPH will look at methodological issues in studies of weight and mortality.

11:00                    **Frank Hu** -Associate Professor of Nutrition and Epidemiology at HSPH will present new information from the Nurses' Health Study.

11:15                    **Michael Thun**– Vice President of Epidemiology and Surveillance Research at the **American Cancer Society**, will give an update on weight and mortality in ACS studies.

11:30                    **Donna Stroup** – Director, Coordinating Center for Health Promotion at the Centers for Disease Control will provide perspective on bodyweight from CDC studies.

#### *Discussants:*

11:45                    **Scott Grundy** - Director, Center for Human Nutrition at the **University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center** will discuss weight and cardiovascular disease via video conference.

11:50                    **Graham Colditz**: Professor of Epidemiology at HSPH will discuss weight and morbidity.

11:55                    General questions and discussion

#### *Closing Remarks:*

12:20                    **Meir Stampfer** and **Walter Willett**

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