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DR. JOSHUA SHARFSTEIN TO SPEAK AT 4TH ANNUAL HUNT LECTURESHIP

BALTIMORE, June 10, 2013 — MedChi, the Maryland State Medical Society and the Center for a Healthy Maryland will present the Fourth Annual Hunt Lectureship on Wednesday, June 26 at the Baltimore MedChi Office. Dr. Joshua Sharfstein is the evening's speaker and his topic is "From Poison Squad to Personalized Medicine: The History of the FDA".

The evening will begin with a reception at 5:45 p.m. in the main hall at MedChi's historic building on Cathedral Street and the Lecture will begin at 7:00 in Osler Hall. Guests will have the opportunity to tour parts of the building and view MedChi's collection of oil portraits dating from the early 1800's, as well as collections of early medical instruments.

Dr. Joshua Sharfstein is the Secretary of Maryland's Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH). Sharfstein graduated from Harvard College in 1991. In the fall of 1992 he entered Harvard Medical School and graduated in 1996. He was the Commissioner of Health for the City of Baltimore. During the first Obama Administration, Dr. Sharfstein was the Deputy Commissioner of the Food & Drug Administration. He left that position to become Secretary at DHMH. MedChi CEO Gene Ransom exclaimed "We are very excited to have Dr. Sharfstein present at this annual affair."

The Hunt Lectureship is named for noted Baltimore orthopedic surgeon, Dr. Thomas Hunt, Jr. who has been an active member of MedChi and the Baltimore City Medical Society for many years, Dr. Hunt's interest in the history of Maryland medicine lead him to establish the annual lecture series.

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