

## **Bio Dr. Henry Falk**

Dr. Henry Falk is a pediatrician who has focused primarily on environmental public health; most of his career was at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, GA, USA. He served in multiple capacities at CDC, including Director of the National Center for Environmental Health, Director of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, member of the Executive Leadership Board, and Director of the Coordinating Center for Environmental Health and Injury Prevention. He retired from the US Public Health Service Commissioned Corps after 30 years of service as Rear Admiral and Assistant Surgeon General, and from the CDC, in December, 2010, although he continued there as a consultant on global aspects of Noncommunicable Diseases, Injury and Environmental Health until 2018. Currently, he is at Emory University, Rollins School of Public Health as an Adjunct Professor of Environmental Health, and also consults on global environmental health, particularly in India and Israel. He is currently the Chair of the Research Advisory Committee of the Centre for Environmental Health at the Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI), and in Israel he served for over a decade as an advisor to the Environment and Health Fund (EHF). At the CDC, he helped start the environmental health, injury, disaster epidemiology, lead poisoning prevention, asthma, radiation studies, climate change, hazardous waste, and a variety of other programs; he began his career at CDC as an EIS Officer epidemiology trainee, and worked on the initial investigations of vinyl chloride induced hepatic angiosarcoma. He has approximately 150 publications, and is the recipient of several awards, including the CDC Lifetime Science Achievement Award, the Distinguished Service Award of the US Public Health Service and the William C Watson Medal of Excellence at CDC.