



The College of Physicians of Philadelphia

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**The Foundation for the History
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present

**The Sixth Annual Alma Dea Morani
Renaissance Woman Award**

Audrey E. Evans, MD

Professor Emeritus, The University of Pennsylvania
Former Director, Division of Oncology
The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

“Health Care for Children, Then and Now”

Dr. Evans will address the care of children in the 1950s and 2005
with the emphasis on cancer treatments.

Thursday, September 29, 2005

6:15 p.m.

Complimentary reception immediately following presentation.

Reservations are requested.

19 South 22nd Street, Philadelphia

Parking will be available at the 21st and Ludlow Street Lot.

For additional information or reservations, please call 484-945-2106.
Please refer to reverse side for Dr. Evans' biographical information.

Audrey E. Evans, MD

Audrey E. Evans was born in England and attended medical school at Edinburgh. She graduated in 1950 and in 1953, with the help of a Fulbright Award, came to the United States for pediatric training at the Children's Hospital in Boston and at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. She returned to the United Kingdom in 1953. There the system for pediatric care is a hospital consultant service, and she was advised that the limited number of appointments available would probably be filled by men. On this basis, she returned to Boston where she joined the Oncology Service at The Children's Hospital there in 1957. At that time there was little effective treatment for children with cancer, so the focus was a balance of research and care for the family. Dr. Sydney Farber coined the phrase "total care" and his service was unusual in that it included pediatricians, research scientists, nurses, and social workers. In the seven years spent there, Dr. Evans was privileged to participate in several studies on leukemia and solid tumors that led to the cure of some of these diseases.

She then spent four years as head of hematology/oncology at the University of Chicago, after which she came to The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia in 1969 at the invitation of Dr. C. Everett Koop to head a special oncology service, separate from hematology. She built the foundation for the present Cancer Research Center at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, now one of the largest centers in the world of its kind, with 40 pediatric oncologists and a budget of \$5 million. Because of her interest in the "total care" of children and their families, she set the wheels in motion that led to the creation of the first Ronald McDonald House. She also played a part in the Ronald McDonald Children's Charity which is the largest children's fund in the United States.

Since she resigned as Chief of Oncology in 1989, she has focused on studies of new agents specifically for the treatment of neuroblastoma, a childhood cancer that has not achieved the success of many other tumors.