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TO: 2011 Workshop Participants

FROM: Paul Campbell

RE: Reflections on Health in the XXI Century; Workshop for Latin American Health Care Executives

I thoroughly enjoyed our workshop in March, and hope that you did as well. The last session was especially interesting to me, when people talked about the application of new ideas back home. As we discussed, implementation is ultimately the test of our time together, hopefully leading to changes that improve the length and quality of life for the people that we serve.

This program continued a recent trend for the courses that we have been organizing here at the Harvard School of Public Health for Latin Americans. We have made the transition from a course targeted almost exclusively for health leaders from Argentina to one that aims to serve executives from across Latin America. The potential benefits of cross-border sharing were evident throughout the course. Let us know of your impressions regarding this aspect of the program; it will help us plan for the future.

In May we held our second Latin American workshop this year, this one focusing on quality improvement issues. I hope that many of you will be able to participate in events like this during the years to come. You should also know that Maridé, Enrique and I plan to hold the next Latin American Workshop in Boston during one week in March, 2012. Please help us spread the word so that we can again draw a wonderful group for that program. We hope that we continue to increase our reach across Central and South America.

Please accept my good wishes for your personal and professional success. I also want to thank to Dr. Silvio Possa, Ing. Roberto García Cisneros and Dr. Pablo Quaranta whose presentations on the final day contributed to our success. Thanks too for our expert translators Kathleen Dolan and Yvonne Fisher, our excellent student volunteers, and the sponsoring support we received from Galeno, Roche and Telefónica. We were blessed by the participation of so many great souls, including our founders Enrique and Maridé, sources of expertise and inspiration. I look forward to seeing you in the future.

Paul