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An <u>op-ed co-authored by Ambassador Chris Elias, MD</u>, was published in *The Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, November 29, 2007

What can I do?

Use opinion poll data to make the case for research as a high public priority Ambassador Samuel L. Stanley, Jr, MD, vice chancellor for research at Washington University in St. Louis, <u>spoke with Brent Martin</u> of radio station Missourinet about keeping good health habits while traveling.

Two Paul G. Rogers Society Ambassadors recently met with their elected officials to discuss the value and importance of global health research.

<u>Peter F. Wright, MD</u>, of Vanderbilt University, had the opportunity to share his work with Sens. Tom Harkin (IA), Jeff Bingaman (NM) and Bob Corker (TN) in Haiti and discuss its bearing on Americans.

Additional policymaker meetings took place between <u>Gretchen Birbeck, MD, MPH, DTMH</u>, of Michigan State University, and the offices of the Michigan congressional delegation: Sens. Carl Levin and Leslie Stabenow, and Reps. Mike J. Rogers, Joe Knollenberg and Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick, to discuss global health research and its importance in Michigan.

Tennessean Editorials Highlight Rogers Society Global Health Research Advocacy Goal
The Nashville newspaper *The Tennessean* published nearly three pages of articles related to
global health research after meeting with Rogers Society Ambassadors <u>James E.K. Hildreth, MD, PhD; Sten H. Vermund, MD, PhD; and Peter F. Wright, MD.</u> The Sunday coverage included columns from each of the researchers, an editorial calling for the United States to increase its investment in global health research, a today's topic and readers' views about global health research.

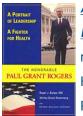
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A Portrait of Leadership, A Fighter for Health, The Honorable Paul Grant

Rogers highlights the major contributions to healthcare reform that Paul Rogers made during his 24 year congressional career and 25 years since as partner with Hogan and Hartson law firm in Washingron DC. The book also presents a study of Rogers' effective leadership style and presents his model of leadership as one to

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be emulated by leaders of any organization. This book was written by Research! America emeritus board member Roger Bulger, former president of the Association of Academic Health Centers.

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