“CDC’s Disease Detectives - Epidemic Intelligence Services”

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6:00 PM – Networking and Pizza and soft drink with a door prize
6:20 – 8:50 PM – Program (a break at 7:30 pm)
8:50 – 9:00 PM – Door-prize drawing and networking
Open and free to the public

Location:
Kelly’s Deli Conference Center, 7519 Standish Place, Rockville, MD 20855

Driving directions:
From I-270 (N or S bound): Take Exit 9A and exit from the first right exit.
Turn left (east) onto Shady Grove Dr.
Turn right (south) onto Rockville Pike (Route 355).
Turn left (east) onto East Gude Dr.
Turn left (north) immediately onto Crabb’s Branch Dr.
Turn left (west) immediately onto Standish Place.
(The first building on your right side is 7519 Standish Place; open parking)

The conference room is on the first floor with its entrance opposite the left side of building main entrance.

Registration Website: http://www.asq509.org/ht/d/DoSurvey/i/35817
For registration problems or further information contact Dr. George Chang, Co-Chair of
Biomed/Biotech SIG, at qchang2008@yahoo.com or call 240-793-8425.

Presentation Summary:
CDC’s Disease Detectives – Epidemic Intelligence Services

This presentation will provide a brief introduction to CDC's Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) program. EIS program is a unique 2-year post-graduate, on-the-job training for the country's "disease detectives". Since 1951, over 3,000 EIS officers have responded to requests for epidemiologic assistance within the United States and throughout the world.
Come and find out how these EIS officers have been working on the public health frontlines and conducting epidemiologic investigations, research, and public health surveillance at the national and international levels.

Speakers’ Bios:

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Yinong Chong earned her BS in English Literature from Beijing University, her MA in Journalism from Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, and her PhD in Sociology from the Arizona State University. She had gone through a two-year intensive training program as an Epidemic Intelligence Service Office, a post-doctorate training for disease detectives at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Prior to coming to the US, she was a reporter with the Xinhua (New China) news agency. Currently, she serves as a Health Scientist at the CDC at Hyattsville, MD.

Dr. Chong has also been very active in assisting to build cultural bridges between Chinese and American people. She is a founding member of the Traditional Chinese Culture Institute International (TCCII) and Green Tea for the Soul Society; both are non-government organizations dedicated to promote better cultural communications between China and the U.S.