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Dr. Peter Orris MD, MPH, FACP, FACOEM, is professor and chief of Occupational and Environmental Medicine for the University of Illinois Hospital and Health Sciences System. He has been an attending physician in the Department of Medicine Cook County Health, for over three decades where he practiced and taught internal and occupational medicine on the

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His research and teaching have focused on international health care systems, occupational and community effects of toxic chemicals, and more recently sustainable health care and climate change. He has published extensively in the field including peer reviewed articles, book chapters, government reports, and other materials. Dr. Orris has served as an adviser to many labor organizations, corporations, and nonprofit groups. On an international level he has been an adviser to the World Health Organization, Pan American Health Organization, World Medical Association, World Federation of Public Health Associations, and Health Care Without Harm. He has a long history of advocacy for elimination of profits and racism in health care and opposing corporate policies that poison the environment of the developing world.

He was a founding member of Physicians for a National Health Plan as a advocate for Single Payer Government Financed Health Care, an active member of the American Public Health Association, and serves on the council of the Chicago Medical Society and as a delegate to the Illinois State Medical Society. Dr. Orris graduated Harvard College in 1967, Yale School of Public Health in 1970, and the Chicago Medical School of the Rosalind Franklin University in 1975.