

Heroin and Prescription Opioids Epidemic

Tuesday, September 27, 6:30 pm

Robert DuPont ('79), the first director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) in the 1970s, and **Wilson Compton**, the current deputy director of NIDA, will discuss the critical issue of the 21st century U.S. heroin and prescription opioids epidemic. They will present the latest findings of brain and neurosciences research and review their relevance to individuals' and

professor of psychiatry at the Georgetown University School of Medicine since 1980. His career-long signature role has been to focus on the public health goal of reducing the use of illegal drugs. Among his honors is being named life fellow of the American Psychiatric Association.

Dr. Compton, who received his medical education at Washington Uni-



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populations' health and to treatment interventions. They will address the relationship between research, public health and health policy as evidenced in congressional initiatives on this subject. NIDA supports most of the world's health research related to preventing drug abuse, treating addiction and addressing serious health consequences of drug abuse.

For over 40 years Dr. DuPont has been a leader in drug abuse prevention and treatment. He has been clinical



Wilson Compton

versity in St. Louis and completed his specialty training in psychiatry at the Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, is author of more than 150 publications, including widely cited papers drawing attention to prescription drug abuse problems. Among his honors is the Health and Human Services Secretary's award for Meritorious Service in 2013.

Eliot Sorel ('98)

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Cocktails at 6:30 pm; dinner at 7. Reserve with Member Services or online. Price: \$44.