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Dr. Fukuda joined CDC in 1990 as an epidemic intelligence service officer. In 1996, he joined the influenza branch as chief of the epidemiology section. The responsibilities of this section include national influenza surveillance, working with the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices to develop recommendations for the control and prevention of influenza and conducting outbreak investigations and epidemiologic research related to influenza. Dr. Fukuda has published widely on influenza and has supervised several important influenza outbreak investigations.

During 1997, he traveled to Hong Kong and China to supervise CDC's field investigations during the outbreak of avian influenza A (H5N1) virus. In 1999, he returned to Hong Kong to investigate the emergence of avian influenza A (H9N2) virus. In 2003, he worked in China and Hong Kong on SARS and most recently, in 2004, was in Vietnam to assist with WHO efforts to investigate and control H5N1. Prior to working on influenza, Dr. Fukuda studied the epidemiology of HTLV viruses, chronic fatigue syndrome and unexplained illnesses in Persian Gulf veterans.

Dr. Fukuda received a bachelor of arts from Oberlin College in Oberlin, Ohio, a medical degree from the University of Vermont in Burlington, Vermont, and completed a residency in internal medicine at Mount Zion Hospital and Medical Center in San Francisco, California. He also received a masters of public health in epidemiology from the University of California, Berkeley and is board certified in internal medicine.

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