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Cancer Prevention and Detection Focus of Free Public Lecture May 6

Boise – There are a lot of myths surrounding cancer, and one of the nation's top cancer researchers will help clear up some of those myths during a free public lecture on Wednesday, May 6.

Dr. Frank Meyskens, Jr., Director of the Chao Family Comprehensive Cancer at the University of California, Irvine, will speak from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the fifth floor of St. Luke's Anderson Center in Ada Rooms 2 & 3. Space is limited. To reserve a spot visit www.stlukesonline.org and click on "classes and events," or call 381-9000.

Meyskens will focus on the topic, "What Works for the Prevention, Screening and Early Detection of Cancer and What Doesn't."

He will discuss issues related to genetics, prevention, screening and early detection of the major cancers including breast, prostate, lung, colon and skin cancer with a focus on melanoma.

Over the past 30 years, Meyskens has published more than 100 laboratory and clinical manuscripts focusing on the fields of cancer prevention and control.

Meyskens' presentation will address on the pros and cons of certain tests. Time will be provided for questions from the audience.

Outside of the laboratory, Meyskens also writes poetry. His poetry often focuses on the relationships between cancer patients and their doctors. His poems have been published in *Oncology Times* and he recently released his first book of poetry called "Aching for Tomorrow." Proceeds from the sale of his book help benefit patients at the Chao Family Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Meyskens' presentation is part of the 13th annual Maurice M. Burkholder Lectureship in Oncology and Cancer and Cancer Update presented by St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor and Medical Research Institute.