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*****"Nutrition in the Century of the Child"
subject of free public lecture on Feb. 26

DALLAS--Will changing the diet of a child help prevent some adult diseases? Dr. Buford Nichols Jr. of the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston will answer this question and discuss other ways nutrition can contribute toward a healthier and fuller life for children when he speaks on "Nutrition in the Century of the Child" on Wednesday, Feb. 26, at 6 p.m. in the Stemmons Lecture Hall (DI.700) at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas.

The lecture, free and open to the public, is the second in a series of Distinguished Lecturers on Nutrition sponsored by the Center for Human Nutrition at UTHSCD. The series presents current scientific thinking about nutrition to health professionals and laymen in the Dallas/Fort Worth area.

Nichols is professor of pediatrics and physiology, head of the Section of Nutrient Physiology and associate professor of community medicine at the Baylor College of Medicine. He is also scientific director of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Children's Nutrition Center in Houston.

A Fort Worth native, Nichols graduated from the Shanghai American High School, then received bachelor of arts and master of science degrees from Baylor University. He attended medical school at the Yale University School of Medicine, graduating in 1960.

Nichols completed a residency in pediatrics at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, and returned to the Yale-New Haven Medical Center as chief pediatric resident. Nichols began his teaching career in pediatrics and physiology at the Baylor College of Medicine in 1966.

The American Academy of Pediatrics has put Nichols' various interests to good use: He was on the Committee on International Child Health from 1970 to 1976, the Migrant Workers Health Problems Committee in 1971 and 1972 and the Committee on Nutrition from 1976 to 1982. Last year Nichols was on the Governor's Committee on Nutrition and Health for the State of Texas.

Nichols also will give a lecture on carbohydrate malabsorption and intractable diarrhea in children for faculty, students and other health professionals at the health science center on Thursday, Feb. 27.

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