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Biosketch

Dr. Jeff Levin, an epidemiologist by training, holds a distinguished chair at Baylor University, where he is University Professor of Epidemiology and Population Health and Director of the Program on Religion and Population Health at the Institute for Studies of Religion. He also serves as Adjunct Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at Duke University Medical Center. Dr. Levin was the first scientist to systematically review the empirical literature on religion and health, and the first scientist funded by the NIH to conduct research on the topic. He has authored over 175 scholarly publications, mostly on the instrumental functions of religion for physical and mental health and aging. He has written or edited eight books, notably *God, Faith, and Health*; *Divine Love: Perspectives from the World's Religious Traditions*; and *Healing to All Their Flesh: Jewish and Christian Perspectives on Spirituality, Theology, and Health*. According to the Institute for Scientific Information, Dr. Levin is one of the most highly cited social scientists in the world. Dr. Levin's current research is focused on four areas: (a) the

influence of religion on population health and aging, (b) theories of healing and the work of healers, (c) the intersection of Judaism and health, and (d) the role of faith-based resources in public health and healthcare policy. He is married to Dr. Lea Steele, Research Professor of Biomedical Studies at Baylor. His updated biosketch is located at <http://www.baylorisr.org/about-isr/jeff-levin/> and his personal website is located at www.religionandhealth.com.