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USA India Chamber felicitates Dr Barry Bloom

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Boston, Aug 25 (PTI) The USA-India Chamber of Commerce has felicitated Dr Barry Bloom of Harvard School of Public Health in recognition of his longstanding and deep commitment to helping to improve public health and biomedical science in India. The award was presented by Dr Martin Mackay, President Global R&D, Pfizer and Karun Rishi, president, USA-India Chamber of Commerce, at a function in Boston recently, according to a release by the chamber.

Dr Bloom, who was sent to India in the late 1960's to create first course in immunology at the prestigious All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), in his acceptance speech said one of the most impressive things in India is its incredible creative range of public private partnerships. "Whether it is high quality high throughput model where paying patient on one side and poor patient on the other side get the best possible care at hospitals like Apollo, Narayana Hrudayalaya and the upcoming Medicity.

This is a kind of unique model. I don't know anywhere in the world that this kind of model has been developed," he said.

However, that model of high tech surgery and high quality institutions is not going to change public health statistics in India, Dr Bloom said.

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