

COUNTRY SQUIRES PRESENTATION FOR JANUARY 10, 2019

Health Care in American History

Speaker: Allen Koop

Dr. Koop argues that the unique but troubled American health care system has been shaped not only by developments in medicine but also by social forces, economic trends, party politics and historical surprises. His wry presentation begins in Colonial times and moves rapidly through the era of sectarian medicine and the accomplishments of modern medicine before concluding in the health care tensions of the 21st century.

Allen Koop teaches European and American history at Dartmouth College. He has published several books and articles on New Hampshire and American history and has spoken at Squires about his book, Stark Decency: German Prisoners of War in a New England Village. Allen received his AB from Dartmouth and Ph.D from the University of Pennsylvania.