



**AAFP Global Health Workshop
Houston, TX**

**GLOBAL HEALTH BOOK CLUB:
SEPARATING FACT FROM FICTION**

**14 years of experience from University of Rochester's Family Medicine
Residency Program – Global Health Track**

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NBCCA – National Book Critics Circle Award

PP = Pulitzer Prize winner

BP = Booker Prize

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- Huyler, Frank. *Right of Thirst*. Harper Collins, New York, 2009.
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- Walker, Alice. *Possessing the Secret of Joy*. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, New York, 1992. 286pp.

FICTION MASQUERADING AS NON-FICTION

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