



The Maryland Office of Minority Health and
Health Disparities Presents Maryland's Eighth
Annual Health Disparities Conference



Maryland's Health Workforce: Promoting Diversity and Strengthening the Pipeline

Tuesday, October 4, 2011, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

**The Marriott Inn & Conference Center, University of Maryland
University College**

3501 University Blvd. East, Hyattsville, Maryland 20783

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The purpose of the conference is to highlight ways to build health professions educational partnerships that reduce student barriers, strengthen the pipeline, promote diversity, and ultimately reduce minority health disparities.

Target Audience: Academic representatives, health providers, students, community advocates, health departments, other governmental agencies, legislators, non-profit & for-profit entities, and the business community.

The conference is free of charge.

Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

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AGENDA

- 8:00 AM **REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST** (ATRIUM)
- 8:30 AM **OPENING** (MAIN BALLROOM)
- Carlessia A. Hussein, RN, DrPH, Director, Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
 - Robert Gold, PhD, DrPH, FASHA, FAAHB, Dean, School of Public Health, University of Maryland College Park
- HONORING DELEGATE SHIRLEY NATHAN-PULLIAM** (Drs. Hussein and Gold will preside)
- 8:45 AM **GREETINGS & WELCOME** (MAIN BALLROOM)
- The Honorable Anthony G. Brown, Lieutenant Governor, State of Maryland
 - Joshua M. Sharfstein, MD, Secretary, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
 - Garth N. Graham, MD, MPH, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health, Office of Minority Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (invited)
 - The Honorable Shirley Nathan-Pulliam, House of Delegates, District 10, Maryland General Assembly
- 9:15 AM **THE INAUGURAL SHIRLEY NATHAN-PULLIAM HEALTH EQUITY LECTURE** (MAIN BALLROOM)
- Stephen B. Thomas, PhD, Professor, Health Services Administration and Founding Director, Maryland Center for Health Equity, University of Maryland School of Public Health
- 10:15 AM **BREAK** (ATRIUM)
- 10:30 AM **MORNING SESSION A - HEALTH LEADS: BUILDING CURRENT CAPACITY AND FUTURE LEADERS IN HEALTHCARE** (MAIN BALLROOM)
- Moderator: Sandra Crouse Quinn, PhD, Associate Dean for Public Health Initiatives, Senior Associate Director, Center for Health Equity, Professor, Department of Family Science, School of Public Health, University of Maryland
- LaToya M. White, MPH, Executive Director, Health Leads DC
 - Alison Page, MSW, LICSW, Social Worker, Children's Health Center, Children's National Medical Center
 - Ryan Elza, University of Maryland College Park, Class of 2013, Volunteer, Health Leads DC

- 11:30 AM **MORNING SESSION B - *PROMISING PRACTICES TO ADDRESS STUDENT BARRIERS IN THE PIPELINE THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS ACROSS EDUCATIONAL SECTORS*** (MAIN BALLROOM)
Moderator: Norma Poll-Hunter, PhD, Director, Human Capital Portfolio, Diversity Policy and Programs Department, Association of American Medical Colleges
- Angela D. Anderson, MA, RT, Dean, Health Sciences Division, Prince George's Community College
 - Marcella Copes, PhD, Dean, School of Nursing, Coppin State University
 - Carol Eustis, MEd, Dean, School of Health Professions, Community College of Baltimore County
 - Allan Noonan, MD, MPH, Dean, School of Community Health and Policy, Morgan State University
 - Keith Plowden, PhD, CRNP-PMH, Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Nursing, Bowie State University
- 12:30 PM **NETWORKING LUNCH** (ATRIUM & MAIN BALLROOM)
- 1:30 PM **AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSION 1A - *CULTURAL COMPETENCY AND HEALTH LITERACY TRAINING RESOURCES: PRIMER OVERVIEW*** (MAIN BALLROOM)
- Monica McCann, MA, MPH, Workforce Diversity Director, Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
 - Bonnie Braun, PhD, CRCS, Health Literacy Faculty Scholar, School of Public Health, University of Maryland College Park
 - Olivia Carter-Pokras, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, School of Public Health, University of Maryland College Park
- AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSION 1B - *HEALTH IT PATHWAYS TO YOUR FUTURE*** (FIRE FIGHTERS RM, 2ND FL)
Moderator: Lavanya Vasudevan, PhD, MPH 2012, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
- Harold P. Lehmann, MD, PhD, Associate Professor, Health Sciences Informatics, Joint: Pediatrics, Health Policy and Management, International Health, Director for Research and Training, Division of Health Sciences Informatics, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
 - Jacqueline Y. Higgins, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Center for Medicaid, CHIP and Survey & Certification
 - Damon L. Davis, Special Assistant in the Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT
 - Miryam Gerdine, MPH, Public Health Analyst, Office of Health Information Technology and Quality (OHITQ), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
- 2:30 PM **BREAK AND TRANSITION** (ATRIUM)
- 2:45 PM **AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSION 2A - *NON-TRADITIONAL PATHWAYS INTO THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS*** (MAIN BALLROOM)
Moderator: Dwyan Monroe, Community Health Outreach Consultant, Community Health Action Team of Baltimore
- Perry Chan, Senior Program Coordinator, Asian American Health Initiative, Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services
 - Gloria Lawlah, Secretary, Maryland Department of Aging
 - Sonia Mora, MPH, Administrator, Suburban Maryland Welcome Back Center, Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services
- AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSION 2B - *EFFECTIVE PARTNERSHIPS NURTURING THE ROOT OF THE PIPELINE*** (FIRE FIGHTERS RM, 2ND FL)
Moderator: Ellen Flowers-Fields, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning, Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation
- Claudia Baquet, MD, MPH, Director, Maryland AHEC, University of Maryland School of Medicine
 - Lynne Gilli, EdD, Program Manager, Career and Technology Education Instruction, Division of Career & College Readiness, Maryland State Department of Education
 - Ronald Hearn, PhD, Executive Director, Baltimore Alliance for Careers in Healthcare
- 3:45 PM **CONFERENCE WRAP-UP AND EVALUATIONS** (MAIN BALLROOM)
- 4:00 PM **CONFERENCE ENDS**



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At the 8th Annual Maryland Health Disparities Conference, “**Maryland Health Workforce: Promoting Diversity and Strengthening the Pipeline**”, the *Shirley Nathan-Pulliam Health Equity Lecture Series* will be launched. Dr. Stephen B. Thomas, Professor, Health Services Administration and Director of the Maryland Center for Health Equity at the University of Maryland School of Public Health will deliver the inaugural keynote address.

Delegate Shirley Nathan-Pulliam has served District 10 for the past 17

years. As a member of the House of Delegates since January 11, 1995, Delegate Nathan-Pulliam has served as Deputy Majority Whip from 2003 to present, member of the Health and Government Operations Committee, member of the Joint Committee on Health Care Delivery and Financing, Chair of the Minority Health Disparities Subcommittee, member of the Work group on Cultural Competency and Workforce Development for Mental Health Professionals, and more.

Delegate Nathan-Pulliam also sponsored House Bill 86, which established the Maryland Office of

Minority Health and Health Disparities during the 2004 Legislative Session. Delegate Nathan-Pulliam has served on numerous local and national initiatives to promote health equity for all.

Delegate Nathan-Pulliam is recognized for her steadfast commitment and endurance in improving the lives of all Marylanders. Through her exemplary legislative leadership, numerous local intervention programs have been developed and are designed to improve minority adult and minority infant health outcomes.