

The Maryland Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities
Presents

Maryland's Ninth Annual Health Disparities Conference



Minority Health and
Health Disparities
Maryland Department of Health
and Mental Hygiene

Wednesday
October 17

8:00 am—4:00 pm

Martin's West
6817 Dogwood Road,
Baltimore



Governor Martin O'Malley signed the Maryland Health Improvement and Disparities Reductions Act into law on April 10, 2012. Maryland now takes the lead among states in the National effort to eliminate health disparities as a top priority.



Advancing Healthy Public Policy: The Maryland Health Improvement and Disparities Reduction Initiative

Attendees will learn about recent advances in Maryland legislation and opportunities for collaboration that aim to improve minority health and reduce disparities.

Who should attend: Academic representatives, health providers, students, community advocates, health departments, other governmental agencies, legislators, and the business community

Free of charge. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Registration opens on **Tuesday, September 4, 2012** at <http://dhmh.maryland.gov/mhhd>

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Minority Health Disparities Conference



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AGENDA

- 7:30 AM **REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST**
- 8:00 AM **OPENING (MAIN BALLROOM)**
- E. Keith Colston, Tuscarora-Lumbee, Director, Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs
 - Donna Jacobs, Esq., Senior Vice President, Government and Regulatory Affairs, University of Maryland Medical System (*Conference Moderator*)
 - Carlessia A. Hussein, RN, DrPH, Director, Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
- 8:30 AM **GREETINGS & WELCOME (MAIN BALLROOM)**
- The Honorable Shirley Nathan-Pulliam, House of Delegates, District 10, Maryland General Assembly
 - Jane E. Clark, PhD, Professor and Dean, University of Maryland, School of Public Health
 - Joshua M. Sharfstein, MD, Secretary, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
- 9:00 AM **SECOND ANNUAL SHIRLEY NATHAN-PULLIAM HEALTH EQUITY LECTURE SERIES (MAIN BALLROOM)**
- Howard K. Koh, MD, MPH, Assistant Secretary for Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- 9:45 AM **BREAK**
- 10:00 AM **The Maryland Health Improvement and Disparities Reduction Act of 2012: Maryland's Groundbreaking Initiative – Health Enterprise Zones (MAIN BALLROOM)**
- Moderator: Benjamin Stutz, MA, Policy Director, State of Maryland Executive Department, Office of the Lieutenant Governor
- Panelists:
- E. Albert Reece, MD, PhD, MBA, Vice President for Medical Affairs and Dean of the School of Medicine, University of Maryland School of Medicine
 - Stephen Thomas, PhD, Professor, Health Services Administration, and Director, Maryland Center for Health Equity, School of Public Health, University of Maryland
 - Mark Luckner, MA, Executive Director, Maryland Community Health Resources Commission
 - Marie Grant, JD, Director, Governmental Affairs, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
- 11:00 AM **The Maryland Health Disparities Collaborative & Workgroups (MAIN BALLROOM)**
- Moderator: Donna Jacobs, Esq., Senior Vice President, Government and Regulatory Affairs, University of Maryland Medical System
- Panelists:
- Debra Perry, President, AFT Healthcare Maryland Local #5197, AFT/AFL- CIO
 - Ilana Mittman, PhD, MS, CGC, Senior Research Associate, The Sullivan Alliance to Transform the Health Professions
 - Alma Roberts, MPH, FACHE, CEO, Baltimore Healthy Start
 - Marcella Copes, PhD, RN, Dean, College of Health Professions, Coppin State University
 - Stephen Thomas, PhD, Professor, Health Services Administration, and Director, Maryland Center for Health Equity, School of Public Health, University of Maryland
- NOON **NETWORKING LUNCH**

1:00 PM

CONCURRENT INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION SESSIONS

1A: The Art and Science of Effective Collaborations and Community Involvement in Health Disparities Interventions and Policy (MARYLAND ROOM)

Moderator: Wendy Friar, RN, MS, Vice President, Community Health, Holy Cross Hospital

Panelists:

- Paula Blackwell, Program Director, FIRN, Inc.
- Elizabeth Chung, MS, Executive Director, Asian American Center of Frederick
- Bettye Muwwakkil, PhD, Executive Director, Access to Wholistic and Productive Living Institute, Inc.
- Gina Pistulka, PhD, MPH, RN, Chief Nurse Officer, Mary's Center

1B: Student Involvement in Ensuring a Culturally Competent Health Workforce: Student Panel

(WAYNE ROOM)

Moderator: Norma Poll-Hunter, PhD, Director, Human Capital Portfolio, Association of American Medical Colleges

Student Panelists Representing: Bowie State University, Coppin State University, Morgan State University, and University of Maryland Eastern Shore

1C: Involving Communities in Policy to Address Social Determinants of Health, Structural Racism, and Discrimination (MAIN BALLROOM)

Moderator: Brian D. Smedley, PhD, Vice President and Director, Health Policy Institute, Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies

Panelists:

- Marcos Pesquera, RPh, MPH, Executive Director, Center on Health Disparities, Adventist HealthCare, Inc.
- Michael Christopher Gibbons, MD, MPH, Assistant Professor, Associate Director, Johns Hopkins Urban Health Institute, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
- Kim Dobson Sydnor, PhD, Interim Dean, School of Community Health and Policy, Morgan State University

2:15 PM

BREAK AND TRANSITION

2:30 PM

CONCURRENT SKILL BUILDING WORKSHOPS

2A: Creating a Successful and Competitive Sustainability Plan (MARYLAND ROOM)

Moderator: Carmi Washington-Flood, Chief, Faith Based and Community Partnerships, Prevention and Health Promotion Administration, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Panelists:

- Eric Brenner, MPA, Director, Maryland Governor's Grants Office
- Betsy Simon, MS, CHES, Founding Director, Office for Healthy Aging, Zeta Healthy Aging Partnership, Zeta Center for Healthy and Active Aging
- Carolyn A. Quattrochi, JD, Executive Director, Governor's Office of Health Care Reform

2B: Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Mapping: Examples of Targeting Health Disparities Interventions (MAIN BALLROOM)

Moderator: David Mann, MD, PhD, Epidemiologist, Maryland Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities

Panelists:

- Saleem Sayani, MNCM, PMP, CPHIMS, Chief Information Officer, Office of Information Technology, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
- Rashid Malik, GIS Programmer Analyst, Certified Oracle DBA, Prevention and Health Promotion Administration, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
- James Thomas, MA, GIS Coordinator, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
- Oxiris Barbot, MD, Commissioner of Health, Baltimore City

2C: Exploring New Media: Embracing Social Technologies to Improve Health Outreach (WAYNE ROOM)

Moderator: Frances B. Phillips, RN, MHA, Deputy Secretary, Public Health Services, DHMH

Panelists:

- Lori Livingston, Office of Communication Social Media Manager, Maryland Department of Natural Resources
- Andy Smith, President, Brothers Who Dare to Care, Inc.
- Ellen Langhans, MA, healthfinder.gov Program Manager, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

3:45 PM

CONFERENCE WRAP-UP AND EVALUATIONS (MAIN BALLROOM)

4:00 PM

CONFERENCE ENDS