



The Future of Community Health Workers in Maryland: Their Role in Achieving Health Equity

October 29, 2014

CONFERENCE AGENDA

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM	REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
8:00 AM – 8:45 AM	WELCOME Arlee Wallace , Acting Director, Maryland Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities OPENING & GREETINGS Donna L. Jacobs , Esq., Senior Vice President, Government and Regulatory Affairs, University of Maryland Medical System (Conference Moderator) The Honorable Shirley Nathan-Pulliam , House of Delegates, District 10, Baltimore County, Maryland General Assembly The Honorable Verna Jones-Rodwell , Senate, District 44, Baltimore City, Maryland General Assembly Joshua M. Sharfstein , MD, Secretary, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
8:45 AM - 9:15 AM	SETTING THE STAGE COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS & ADVANCING HEALTH EQUITY Laura Herrera , MD, MPH, Deputy Secretary of Public Health, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
9:15 AM - 10:30 AM	SHIRLEY NATHAN-PULLIAM HEALTH EQUITY LECTURE INTRODUCTION OF AWARD RECIPIENT Stephen B. Thomas , PhD, Professor, Health Services Administration, and Director, Maryland Center for Health Equity, School of Public Health, University of Maryland **AWARD RECIPIENT & KEYNOTE ADDRESS** Carlessia A. Hussein , RN, BS, MS, DrPH, Retired Director, Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM	BREAK

IMPACT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS IN THE HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY

10:45 AM –
12:00 PM

Moderator:

Donna L. Jacobs, Esq., Senior Vice President, Government and Regulatory Affairs,
University of Maryland Medical System

Panelists:

M. Christopher Gibbons, MD, MPH, Associate Director, Johns Hopkins Urban Health Institute
Susan M. Myers, MA, MPH, Vice President for Business Development, Delmarva Foundation
Michael E. Rhein, MPA, President & CEO, Institute for Public Health Innovation
Meseret Bezuneh, M.S.Ed., Chief, Health Careers Pipeline Branch, Division of Health Careers and Financial Support, Bureau of Health Workforce, Health Resources and Services Administration (invited)

12:00 PM-
1:00 PM

LUNCH

(Location: Embassy Room)

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS (will repeat at 2:30 p.m.)

A: Community Health Workers in Action: The Organization’s Perspective

(Location: Camelia Terrace Room)

Moderator: **Donald Shell, MD, MA**, Director, Cancer and Chronic Disease Bureau, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Panelists: **Stacey E. Little, MPH, PhD**, Director, Office of Family Planning and Home Visiting, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Leigh Ann Eagle, Director, Health and Wellness Program, MAC, Incorporated

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

Denise Camp, ALWF, CPS, CCAR-T, WHAM, WRAP® Project Coordinator/Training Specialist, On Our Own of Maryland, Inc.

B: Experiences on the Ground: Learning from Practicing Community Health Workers

(Location: Maryland Room)

Moderator: **Heather Ross, MS, CHES**, Program Manager, African American Health Program, Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services

Panelists: **Ashyrra C. Dotson**, Program Coordinator, Associated Black Charities

Everette Bradford, Community Health Worker, Prince George’s County Health Department

Elizabeth Chung, Executive Director, Asian American Center of Frederick

Ollie P. Dorsey, Community Health Worker, Faith Center for Community Wellness and Advancement, Inc.

1:00 PM –
2:15 PM

C: Discussions around the Training of Community Health Workers

(Location: Wayne Room)

Moderator: **Sharon Jones-Eversley, DrPH**, Assistant Professor, Department of Family Studies and Community Development, Towson University

Panelists: **Scott M. Olden, MS, RN**, Dean, School of Allied Health, Nursing, Health and Life Fitness, Baltimore City Community College

Lisa Widmaier, M.Ed, Community Health Worker Coordinator and Lead Trainer, Eastern Shore Area Health Education Center

M. Christopher Gibbons, MD, MPH, Associate Director, Johns Hopkins Urban Health Institute

Lori Werrell, MPH, CHES, Director of Health Connections, MedStar St. Mary’s Hospital

2:15 PM – 2:30 PM	BREAK AND TRANSITION
2:30 PM – 3:45 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS (recurrence from 1:00 p.m.)</p> <p>A: Community Health Workers in Action: The Organization’s Perspective (Location: Camelia Terrace Room)</p> <p>B: Experiences on the Ground: Learning from Practicing Community Health Workers (Location: Maryland Room)</p> <p>C: Discussions around the Training of Community Health Workers (Location: Wayne Room)</p>
3:45 PM – 4:00 PM	<p>CLOSING & NEXT STEPS (Location: Camelia Terrace Room)</p>

The Minority Health and Health Disparities Team would like to thank you for attending and supporting our 11th Annual Health Disparities Conference.



Top Left: Monica McCann, Vanessa Jordan, Dr. David Mann, Dr. Mora Lawson, Diane Walker
Bottom Left: Stephanie Hall, Arlee Wallace, Acting Director, and Kim Hiner.
Missing: Christine Wiggins