



2022 Science for Patient Engagement
Symposium *From Research to Action: Health Equity*
for All **October 19-20, 2022**
Hybrid Event

Wednesday, October 19

(An in-person strategic planning meeting with NHC Research and Programs Committee and invited Chief Medical/Science Officers)

2:00 – 2:15 p.m.

Welcome Remarks

Remarks by:

- Randy Rutta, MA, Chief Executive Officer, National Health Council
- Omar A. Escontrías, DrPH, MPH, Vice President of Research, Education & Programs, National Health Council
- Eric Racine, PharmD, MBA, Vice President & Head, Public Affairs & Patient Advocacy, Sanofi

2:15 – 3:00 p.m.

Keynote Address

Keynote Speaker:

- Darrell M. Gray, II, MD, MPH, Chief Health Equity Officer, Elevance Health, Inc.

3:00 – 3:45 p.m.

**Research Strategic Dialogue Panel:
Meaningful Patient Engagement: Gender Equity and the
Crossroads of Infectious Disease**

Moderator:

- Cynthia Bens, Senior Vice President, Public Policy, Personalized Medicine Coalition

Panelists:

- Irene O. Aninye, PhD, is the Chief Science Officer at the Society for Women's Health Research (SWHR)
- Shanina Knighton, PhD, RN, CIC, Executive Director for Research Practice and Innovation, Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC)

- Gail Graham, Patient Consultant, University of Maryland PATIENTS Program
- Marissa Robinson, DrPH, MPH, RPCV, Management Analyst, Office of Infectious Disease and HIV/AIDS Policy, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Open House, Reception and Hors d'oeuvres at NHC Headquarters

(Reception is also open to NHC Member Sponsors)
Remarks and sponsors recognition

Thursday, October 20

(A virtual event that is open to all NHC members and nonmembers working on patient centered and engagement activities)

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Welcome & Introductions

Remarks by:

- Randy Rutta, MA, Chief Executive Officer, National Health Council

10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Keynote Speaker

Introduction:

- Omar A. Escontrías, DrPH, MPH, Vice President of Research, Education and & Programs, National Health Council

Keynote Speaker:

- Kristin Carman, PhD, MA, Director of Public and Patient Engagement, PCORI

11:00 – 11:15 a.m.

Break

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Patient Science and the Social Determinants of Health Policy

Moderator:

- Cynthia Bens, Senior Vice President, Public Policy, Personalized Medicine Coalition

Speaker:

- Carrie D. Wolinetz, PhD, Deputy Director for Health and Life Science, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy

12:15 – 12:45 p.m.

Meal Break

12:45 – 1:30 p.m.

Mental Health and Patient Science: How COVID-19 reframed our research, outreach, and clinical-community linkages

Moderator:

- Jill Yersak, PhD, Medical Science Liaison, Biogen

Speaker:

- Regina James, MD, Chief, Division of Diversity and Health Equity, American Psychiatric Association

1:30 – 1:45 p.m.

Break

1:45 – 2:30 p.m.

Global Health Equity and Patient Engagement

Moderator:

- Julie Fiol, MSW, BSN, RN, MSCN, Associate Vice President, Health Care Access, National MS Society

Speaker:

- Nicholas Brooke, Executive Director, The Synergist

2:30 – 2:45 p.m.

Break

2:45 – 3:30 p.m.

Dismantling health disparities by building trust and patient centrality in life science

Moderator:

- Omar A. Escontrías, DrPH, MPH, Vice President of Research, Education and Programs, National Health Council

Speaker:

- Jennifer Miller, PhD, Associate Professor, Yale University School of Medicine

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Lessons learned from the 2020 Clinical Trials Treatment Act. Increasing access to clinical trials in Medicaid and diverse patients

Moderator:

- Eric Gascho, Senior Vice President of Policy and Government Affairs, National Health Council

Panelists:

- Ricki Fairley, Chief Executive Officer, TOUCH, The Black Breast Cancer Alliance
- Ruben A. Mesa, MD, FACP, Executive Director, Mays Cancer Center at UT Health San Antonio MD

Anderson, Mays Family Foundation Distinguished
University Presidential Chair, Professor of Medicine

- Alycia Shilton-Lloyd PhD, VP Medical Affairs, Imago BioSciences, Inc
- Alexis Reisin Miller, Executive Director, Global Regulatory Policy (US Lead) at Merck

4:30 p.m.

Closing Remarks and Symposium Concludes

- Omar A. Escontrías, DrPH, MPH, Vice President of Research, Education and & Programs, National Health Council