

Achieving Health Equity: The Path Forward

April 29, 2016

AGENDA

11:00 AM

Welcome and Remarks

Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr.

Ranking Member

Committee on Energy and Commerce

Congressman G. K. Butterfield

Chair

Congressional Black Caucus

Congresswoman Linda Sánchez

Chair

Congressional Hispanic Caucus

Congresswoman Judy Chu

Chair

Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus

J. Nadine Gracia, MD, MSCE

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health

Department of Health and Human Services

11:15 AM – 12:15 PM

Examining Disparities Across the Continuum of Care through the Lens of Heart Disease

Cara James, PhD

Director

Office of Minority Health

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
(CMS)

Department of Health and Human Services

Janet S. Wright, MD, FACC

Executive Director

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
(CDC)

Department of Health and Human Services

Brenda Battle, BSN, MBA

Vice President for Care Delivery Innovation

Urban Health Initiative and

Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer

University of Chicago Medicine and Biological
Sciences Division

Richard T. Benson, MD, PhD

Incoming President

American Heart Association's Greater
Washington Region board

Adolph P. Falcón, MPP

Executive Vice President

National Alliance for Hispanic Health

Rhonda Moore Johnson, MD, MPH

Senior Medical Director, Health Equity &
Quality Services

Highmark Inc.

**Kim A. Williams, MD, MACC, FAHA,
MASNC, FESC**
Immediate Past President
American College of Cardiology
Chief, Division of Cardiology, Rush University
Medical Center

12:15 PM – 12:45 PM

Break

12:45 PM – 1:45 PM

Transforming Medical Research to Meet the Needs of a Diverse Population

Martin Mendoza, PhD
Health Program Coordinator
Office of Minority Health
U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
Department of Health and Human Services

George A. Mensah, MD, FACC
Acting Director, Division of Cardiovascular
Sciences
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute
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National Institutes of Health (NIH)
Department of Health and Human Services

Gary G. Bennett, PhD
Bishop-MacDermott Family Professor of
Psychology & Neuroscience, Global Health &
Medicine
Duke University

Paul Underwood, MD, FACC
Medical Director
Clinical Interventional Cardiology
Boston Scientific

Gary A. Puckrein, PhD
President and CEO
National Minority Quality Forum

Abigail Echo-Hawk, MA
Co-Director, Partnerships for Native Health,
Initiative for Research and Education to
Advance Community
Washington State University

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Building a Diverse and Culturally Competent Healthcare Workforce

Tiffany Groover, MD, MPH
Medical Director
Chase Brexton Health Care, Glen Burnie

Cheri C. Wilson, MA, MHS, CPHQ
Director
Corporate Office of Diversity & Inclusion
RWJ Barnabas Health

Marc A. Nivet, EdD, MBA
Chief Diversity Officer
Association of American Medical Colleges
(AAMC)

Verlie Tisdale, PhD
Dean
School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Claflin University

Isha Weerasinghe, MS
Director for Policy and Advocacy
Association of Asian Pacific Community Health
Organizations

Maureen Y. Lichtveld, MD, MPH
Professor and Chair
Tulane University, School of Public Health and
Tropical Medicine
President
Hispanic-Serving Health Professions Schools