

"Promises to Keep: Health Equity Now!"

Time

October 4, 2022

7:00 am – 8:30 am ET **Shuttles to Morehouse School of Medicine from Whitley Hotel**

7:30 am – 8:30 am ET **Breakfast**

8:00 am – 8:30 am ET **Welcome Address**

Dr. Valerie Montgomery Rice, President and CEO, Morehouse School of Medicine

8:30 am – 9:30 am ET **Health Equity From the Perspective of Former Surgeons General**

Shaping Policy and Wielding Your Influence to Advance Health Equity

In this panel, we'll hear from several former U.S. Surgeons General who have a unique vantage point on the state of health policy and how to catalyze action for health equity. They'll share lessons learned from their time in the White House and how they leveraged their positions to shape public discourse around health equity and advance a public health agenda.

Featuring Dr. Regina Benjamin, and Dr. Antonia Novello, former U.S. Surgeons General; moderated by Eugene A. Woods, CEO and President, Atrium Health.

9:30 AM – 9:45 AM ET **Transition Time**

9:45 AM – 10:45 AM ET **Concurrent Session #1**

Health Equity's Essential Role in ESG Conversations

Why Health Equity Can't be Achieved Without a Focus on Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Equity

Health equity has been overlooked in ESG discussions, yet equity is vital to the future course of climate change, social justice and organizational transparency. ESG is becoming a critical component of a comprehensive health equity approach. This session shows board directors how to advise their executive teams to center health equity within sustainability, community and organizational strategies.

Featuring Dr. Yvonne Collins, Gynecologic Oncologist and Chief Medical Officer of CountyCare, Cook County Health & Hospitals System; Rony Jennings, Managing Director, Goldman Sachs & Co.; Gerald Johnson, Health Equity and Chief Diversity Officer, American Heart Association; and moderated by David Rabinowitz, Senior Manager, Monitor Deloitte; and Joe Wilkins, Managing Director, JW Healthcare Insights.

Concurrent Session #2

Putting Equity at the Center of Quality Care

How to Ignite Change to Sustain a Health Equity Focus

Removing enduring, systemic barriers to health and well-being requires re-engineering accountability and quality structures. In this session, clinicians and health equity experts will offer best practices on how to leverage power, platform and resources to produce targeted quality outcomes with a health equity focus. They will share insights on achieving transformative equity through policy change, new reimbursement models and value-based care.

Featuring Rosalyn Carpenter, Senior Vice President–Diversity and Inclusion, CommonSpirit Health; Dr. Gary Little, Chief Medical Officer, Atrium Health Greater Charlotte Region; Faith Thomas, Board Chair, GBMC HealthCare, Inc.; Cornell P. Wright, Chief Health Equity Officer, Alliance for a Healthier Generation; and moderated by Cynthia Barginere, Chief Operating Officer, Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI).

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10:45 am – 11:15 am ET	Transition Time and Spark Experience
11:15 am – 12:15 pm ET	Representation Matters: Diversifying and Advancing the Talent Pathways <i>Intentions, Challenges and Plans in Creating an Inclusive Workforce</i> Who is missing from conversations that set the course of healthcare practice? Bringing new voices to the table must be done in a considered and persistent way. This panel draws workforce and leadership perspectives on the roles of Black caregivers and the talent strategies that have the greatest impact. Participants will learn where future leaders get stuck in the talent pathways and how to succeed with candidates of color. Featuring conversations with Lynn Crump-Caine, board member, Advocate Aurora Health; Challis Lowe, Senior Partner, O'Brien Group; Dr. William McDade, Chief Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer, Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME); and moderated by Neysa Dillon Brown, Managing Director, Healthcare Services and Healthcare Practice Leader, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Diversified Search Group.
12:15 pm – 12:30 pm ET	BREAK
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm ET	The Leadership Luncheon Featuring a leadership conversation with Erickajoy Daniels, Senior Vice President, Chief Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer, Advocate Aurora Health; and Stacey D. Stewart, President and CEO, March of Dimes.
1:30 pm – 1:45 pm ET	Break
1:45 pm – 2:45 pm ET	Racial Disparities in Maternal and Infant Health <i>Taking Action Now to Protect Our Future</i> Research studies have shown that maternal and infant mortality rates in the United States rank as among the worst in the developed world. In particular, Black women are more likely to die from pregnancy-related events than their white counterparts, with a related infant mortality rate twice that of their white counterparts. This session will focus on protecting our future by changing the narrative and outcomes through the lens of those most affected, their healthcare providers, healthcare board directors, organization leaders advocating for change and social action legislation to institutionalize the change. Featuring conversations with Linda Goler Blount, President and CEO, Black Women's Health Imperative; Natalie D. Hernandez, Center for Maternal Health Equity at Morehouse School of Medicine; Tonya Lewis Lee, producer, entrepreneur, author and women's health advocate; Dr. Rachel Villanueva, Immediate Past President, National Medical Association; and moderated by Dr. Lauren R. Powell, VP, US Health Equity & Community Wellness, Takeda Pharmaceutical.
2:45 pm – 3:00 pm ET	BREAK

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3:00 pm – 4:00 pm ET **Leading from the Top: Advancing Health Equity in the Boardroom**

How Directors Take the Next Step to Embed Health Equity in Their Organizations

Whether an organization is unengaged in health equity, struggling to improve or in the vanguard of change, competing priorities are a constant challenge. Healthcare directors share their strategies for timely, productive board discussions that recognize the impact of disparities, address them across committees and deploy measures that hold leaders accountable.

Featuring founding members and leaders of BDHEA and Robinson Bradshaw.

4:00 pm – 4:15 pm ET **Closing Remarks**

4:15 pm – 5:15 pm ET **Networking Opportunity, Airport Departures**

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm ET **Shuttles to Whitley Hotel**