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Ten Years Later: How Far Have We Come in Reducing Health Disparities?

**Hosted by:
Roundtable on the Promotion of Health Equity and the Elimination of Health Disparities**

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The National Academies' Keck Center (Room 100)
500 Fifth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

DRAFT Agenda (03/26/2010)

- 8:30 – 8:45 a.m. **Welcome, Introductions, Comments, etc.**
Bill Vega, Ph.D., Roundtable Chair
Director, Edward R. Roybal Institute on Aging
University of Southern California
- 8:45 – 10:15 a.m. **Panel: What progress has been made in reducing health disparities?**
A Historical Perspective
Moderator: Bill Vega
- Brian Smedley, Ph.D.**
Director, Health Policy Institute
Vice President, Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies
- David Williams, Ph.D., M.P.H.**
Professor of African and African American Studies and of Sociology
Department of Society, Human Development, and Health
Harvard School of Public Health
- Steven Woolf, M.D., M.P.H.**
Director, Center on Human Needs
Professor of Family Medicine
Virginia Commonwealth University
- 10:15 – 10:30 a.m. Break
- 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. **Remarks from the Assistant Secretary for Health**
Moderator: Cara James, Roundtable member
- Howard Koh, M.D., M.P.H.**
Assistant Secretary for Health
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

11:00 – 12:15 p.m. **Panel: Federal Perspectives on Reducing Health Disparities**
Moderator: Mildred Thompson, Roundtable Co-chair

John Ruffin, M.S., Ph.D.
*Director, National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities
National Institutes of Health*

Carolyn Clancy, M.D.
*Director, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services*

12:15 – 1:15 p.m. Working Lunch

1:15 – 2:30 p.m. **Current Programs Addressing Social Determinants**

Robert Wood Johnson Obesity Program:
Mildred Thompson, M.S.W.
*Director, PolicyLink Center for Health and Place
Deputy Director, Robert Wood Johnson Center to Prevent Childhood
Obesity*

President’s Task Force on Childhood Obesity:
Susan Sher, J.D.
Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff to the First Lady

California Endowment Building Healthy Communities Program:
Mary Lou Fulton
*Program Officer, Communications and Media
The California Endowment*

2:30 – 2:45 p.m. Break

2:45 - 3:45 p.m. **Panel: What do we still need to learn about reducing health
disparities?**

Dennis Andrulis, Ph.D., M.P.H.
*Director, Center for Health Equality
Associate Dean of Research
School of Public Health
Drexel University*

Anne Beal, M.D., M.P.H.
President, Aetna Foundation

Paula Braveman, M.D., M.P.H.
*Professor of Family and Community Medicine
Director, Center on Social Disparities in Health
School of Medicine
University of California, San Francisco*

3:45 – 5:00 p.m.

**Panel: Health Care Reform Legislation and Health Disparities:
Where are we Now?**

Bernardette Arrellano

Legislative Assistant

Office of House Representative Mike Honda (D-CA)

Craig Martinez, M.P.H.

Health Policy Advisor

Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee

Kelly Whitener

Health Policy Advisor

Senate Committee on Finance

5:00 p.m.

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