Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Health Equity in a Post-Covid Era: Pathways for Advocacy, Leadership, and Research

Friday, September 22, 2023 8:30am – 5:00 PM PST
Alumni House and Social Sciences Building, UC Berkeley

Morning Session at Alumni House

8:30-9:00 AM  Check-in, coffee/tea, pastries, networking

Opening Session - Speakers: Michael Lu (UC Berkeley) - Winston Wong (NCAPIP) - Martina Kamaka (University of Hawaii) - Lok Siu (UC Berkeley) – Nicole Mahealani Lum (Ke Ola Mamo Clinic)

9:00-9:30 AM - Opening and greetings:
  - Land acknowledgment
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  - Welcome by Winston Wong and Michael Lu

Panel Discussions - Moderator: Ignatius Bau

Panel 1: AANHPI Health Equity in the COVID Pandemic Era - Panelists: Martina Kamaka - Sheldon Riklon (University of Arkansas) - Ninez Ponce (UCLA) - Joyce Cheng (Chinese Community Health Resource Center (CCHRC) & Chinese Hospital)

9:30 - 10:30 AM - Panel discussion on:
  - Learnings from AANHPI physicians and community health leaders during COVID
  - Disproportionate mortality and morbidity issues (as patients and providers)
  - Social drivers of health (employment, housing, food security)
  - Rise of AAPI hate crimes as a public health issue
  - Unaddressed chronic diseases, including diabetes, cancer, depression
  - Advocacy capacity among NH/PI communities
10:30AM – 10:45 AM - Q&A with the first panel

10:45-11:00 AM  Break

Panel 2: AANHPI Leadership in a Post-COVID Era - Panelists: Marcus Iwane (Ahahui ʻo nā Kauka/Association of Native Hawaiian Physicians) - Nammi Kandula (Northwestern) - Mychi Nguyen (Asian Health Services) - Winston Tseng (UC Berkeley) - Cynthia Choi (Chinese for Affirmative Action) -

11:00AM - 12:00PM - Panel discussion on:

- Role of AANHPI physicians and community health leaders post-COVID: labor vs. leadership
- Health workforce diversity, affirmative action, bamboo ceiling
- AANHPI health equity agenda: Chronic diseases, mental health, data disaggregation, language access
- Emerging issues: climate change (Maui wild fires), artificial intelligence

12:00 PM– 12:15PM - Q&A with the second panel

Lunch and Networking

12:15 PM - 1:15 PM - Hosted lunch and networking

- Ongoing poster board session by student hosts (four posters)

Afternoon Workshops at Alumni House and Social Sciences Building

1:15 PM - 2:45 PM - Workshop sessions with experts

- Workshop A: Addressing health disparities in AANHPI communities

How can AANHPI physician and community health leaders continue to highlight the ongoing health care and health disparities among AANHPI communities, such as diabetes, Hepatitis B, mental health, etc.? What effective community interventions should be spotlighted and supported? What payment and policy changes are needed to support these community interventions to reduce the disparities?

- Workshop B: Climate change and impacts on AANHPI communities

What is the role of AANHPI physicians and community health leaders in addressing climate change, and especially its impact in Hawaii and the Pacific? How is the health sector addressing climate change? How can those efforts include AANHPI communities, including those working on environmental justice and climate justice?

- Workshop C: Deconstructing the model minority myth in medicine

How can AANHPI physicians and community health leaders respond to the attacks on affirmative action, which perpetuate the model minority myth, while significant AANHPI populations remain underrepresented in medicine? How can AANHPI leaders and communities build multi-racial coalitions to continue to support diversity, inclusion, and equity in health care and health?
2:45PM - 3:00PM  Break/reconvene at Alumni House

Final Session
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM - Report backs from workshops and facilitated discussion
   - Closing Remarks: Winston Wong and Lok Siu

4:00-5:00 PM- Reception at Alumni House (wine, sparkling water, snacks)