***What Dictates Health - Is it Genetics or Zip Code?***

 ***Health Equity, Research and Policy for a Healthier New Jersey***

***Tuesday, October 2, 2018***

***Paul Robeson Campus Center, Rutgers University, Newark, New Jersey***

***Conference Agenda***

 8:00 – 9:00 ***Registration & Breakfast***

 9:00 - 9:15 ***Greeting & Welcome***

 Paschal Nwako, PhD, MPH, President, NJPHA

 Moderator: Perry Halkitis, PhD, Dean

School of Public Health, Rutgers University, NJ

9:15 – 10:15 ***Keynote Presentation***

 ***What is the Domain of Equitable Health and Why Address Social Determinants of Health?***

Pamela M. Aaltonen, PhD, RN, President Elect, American

 Public Health Association

10:15– 10:45 ***Why Health Equity Matters: A Look at the Importance of Local Partnerships and Alliances***

Renata Schiavo, PhD, MA, CCL Founding President, Health Equity Initiative, Senior Lecturer, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health, Visiting Associate Professor, Communication Studies and Public Health, The College of New Jersey.

 10:45– 11:00 ***Break, Networking & Exhibitions***

11:00 – 12:00 ***Health Disparities in New Jersey: Understanding the Role of Social Determinants of Health in Addressing Barriers to Health- One Zip Code at a Time***

 ***Distinguished Speaker:*** Denise V. Rodgers, MD, Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians (FAAFP); Vice Chancellor for Interprofessional Programs, RBHS Endowed Professorship in IPE, Professor of Family Medicine, Director, Rutgers Urban Health and Wellness Institute

12:00 – 1:00 ***Lunch, Awards, Exhibition &Networking***

1:00 – 2:00 ***Panel - I***

***Mapping and Placed-based Approaches to Addressing Social and Environmental Factors Impacting Community Health***

***Moderator:*** Diana Hagerman, Deputy Director, Programs, New Jersey Health Initiatives

***Speakers:***

Randall Solomon, Director

Sustainability New Jersey at the Sustainable Institute at The College of New Jersey

1. Charlene W. Gungil, DHSc, CPM, REHS, MPH, Health Officer/Director, Passaic County Health Department, NJ
2. Karen DeMarco, MS., Health Officer, Hunterdon County Health Department, NJ
3. Peter N.Tabbot, MPH, Health Officer, Rockaway Township
4. Lisa Gulla, MAE, MPH, CPS, CAS, Adjunct Professor, President of New Jersey Association of County and City Health Officials

2:00 – 2:15 ***Break, Networking & Exhibitions***

2:15 – 2:45 ***Where Is the Place of Mental Health in Health Equity*?**

***Speaker:*** Valerie L. Mielke, MSW, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Mental Health and Addiction, New Jersey Department of Health

2:45 – 3:45  ***Panel – II***

 ***Legislators, Advocates, and Media Alliances towards Promoting Equitable Health***

***Speakers:***

1. Henry Fisher Raymond, DrPH. MPH, Associate Professor, Dept. Biostatistics – Epidemiology, Public Health, Rutgers University, NJ
2. Briana Vannozzi, Correspondent

NJTV News

1. Loretta Weinberg, New Jersey State Senate Majority Leader
2. Lilo Stainton, NJ Spotlight, Health Care Reporter

3:45– 4:15 ***Can We Rely on Current Data to Identify Clusters of Social Determinants That Can Be Used For Place-based Approaches to Addressing the Health Concerns?***

***Speaker:*** Abate Mammo, PhD. Director, Center for Health Statistics, New Jersey Department of Health

4: 15 ***Evaluation and Awarding of Continuing Education Credits***