

POPULATION HEALTH SYMPOSIUM

AGENDA

LOCATION: IMM ATRIUM AND AUDITORIUM
DATE: Thursday, April 10, 2025
TIME: 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM

PURPOSE: bring together UTHealth Houston faculty, staff and students to discuss and share insights, strategies, and innovations aimed at improving population health, which are health outcomes for groups of individuals.

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
8:00-9:00 AM	Check-in, Breakfast, Coffee & Networking	
9:00-9:10 AM	Welcome	
10 min	Maria E. Fernandez, PhD , Vice President, Population Health and Implementation Science, UTHealth Houston LaTanya Jones Love, MD , Interim President, and Executive Vice President, Student and University Affairs, Dean of Education, McGovern Medical School at UTHealth Houston	
9:10-9:55 AM	Opening Keynote: Population Health Priorities in Texas	
45 min	Eric Boerwinkle, PhD , Dean, UTHealth Houston School of Public Health David Lakey, MD , Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer, UT System	
9:55-10:45	Lightening Talks	
50 min	Sahiti Myneni, PhD, MSE , McWilliams School of Biomedical Informatics Casey Crump, MD, PhD, MS, MPH , McGovern Medical School, Perinatal Influences on Lifelong Health: National Cohort Studies Theresa Tran, MD, MBA, FACEP , School of Public Health, Interprofessional Community Action Poverty Simulator Shreela Sharma, PhD, RD, LD , School of Public Health, Health Equity Collective: Driving Better Health Together	
10:45-11:05 AM	Networking Challenge	
20 min	Break	
11:05 – 11:50 AM	Population Health across UTHealth Houston	

45 min	<p>Moderated by Maria E. Fernandez, PhD, Vice President, Population Health and Implementation Science</p> <p>Daphne C. Hernandez, PhD, MEd, FAAHB, FSBM, Cizik School of Nursing</p> <p>Sandy McKay, MD, FAAP, McGovern Medical School</p> <p>Muhammad Walji, PhD, School of Dentistry</p>
11:50 PM – 12:40 PM	Lunch Provided and Networking
50 min	
12:40 PM – 1:20 PM	Gallery Walk of Posters
40 min	
1:20 – 2:15 PM	Population Health across UTHealth Houston
55 min	<p>Moderated by Maria E. Fernandez, PhD, Vice President, Population Health and Implementation Science</p> <p>Cici X. Bauer, PhD, School of Public Health</p> <p>Jane E. Hamilton, PhD, MPH, LCSW-S, School of Behavioral Health Sciences</p> <p>Hongfang Liu, PhD, McWilliams School of Biomedical Informatics</p>
2:15 PM – 2:40 PM	Funding Opportunities for Population Health
25 min	<p>Carlton Allen, MS, CHW, MCHES, Program Manager for Prevention, Cancer Prevention Research Institute of Texas (virtual)</p> <p>Sarat Pratapchandran, Director of Development, Corporate and Foundation Relations, UTHealth Houston</p>
2:40 PM – 3:00 PM	Stretch Break
20 min	
3:00 PM – 4:10 PM	Lightening Talks
70 min	<p>Serena Rodriguez, PhD, Institute for Implementation Science, Advancing Population Health through Implementation Science</p> <p>Yen-Chi Le, PhD, UT Physicians Center for Population Health Management and Quality</p> <p>Jenny Niefenfuhr, MPH, CHES®, CPH, Texas Epidemic Public Health Institute, Understanding Patient Health Outcomes after Trauma-Informed Transformation</p> <p>Mallika Mathur, PHD, Pediatric Population Health Initiative, McGovern Medical School, Evaluation of the Expansion of a Social Determinants of Health Screening and Referral Program in Multiple Community-Based Pediatric Clinics</p> <p>Wes Gibson, MPH, Center for Health Equity, School of Public Health, Connecting data and policy: interactive map highlights health and non-medical conditions for 89th Texas Legislature Session</p>
4:10 PM – 4:50 PM	Partnership Perspectives in Population Health
40 min	<p>Moderated by Shreela Sharma, PhD, RDN, LD, Professor & Vice Chair, Department of Epidemiology, Director, Center for Health Equity, School of Public Health, UTHealth Houston</p> <p>Hope Galvan, PhD, MS, CVRN-BC, CDE, VP of Population Health, Harris Health</p>

Roxanna Cruz, MD, Chief Innovation Officer, Texas Association for Community Health Centers

Melanie McGuire, Senior Director of Programs at Houston Food Bank, Houston Food Bank

4:50 PM – 5:00 PM

Final Thoughts

10 min

Jagat Narula, MD, PhD, Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer, UTHealth Houston

Maria E. Fernandez, PhD, Vice President, Population Health and Implementation Science

5:00 PM – 6:30 PM

Networking Reception

90 min

Hors d'oeuvres and beer/wine in the atrium