9TH BIENNIAL
Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Health Conference

DISMANTLING STEREOTYPES: CHANGING THE NARRATIVE

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8:00 AM – 6:30 PM ET
NYU Langone Health
550 First Avenue,
Farkas Auditorium,
New York, NY
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8:00 am  Breakfast & Registration
         Farkas Auditorium

8:45 am  Welcome & Introduction
         Farkas Auditorium

9:00 am  Opening Keynote
         Farkas Auditorium

9:45 am  Opening Plenary Panel
         Ensuring Health Equity for Immigrants, Migrants, and Refugees
         Farkas Auditorium

10:45 am Break

11:00 am Second Plenary Panel
         Health Issues Facing the AA & NHPI Low-Wage Workforce
         Farkas Auditorium

12:00 pm Lunch
         Smilow Multipurpose Room
         Pilot Grantee and Student Poster Session
         Farkas Auditorium, Breezeway

1:00 pm  Afternoon Keynote
         Farkas Auditorium

1:45 pm  Afternoon Plenary Panel
         Exploring Civic Engagement and Social Connectedness in AAs and NHPIs
         Farkas Auditorium

2:45 pm  Coffee Break

3:00 pm  Closing Plenary Panel
         AA and NHPI (In)visibility: Why Representation is Critical
         Farkas Auditorium

4:00 pm  Closing Remarks

4:15 pm  Awards Ceremony
         Farkas Auditorium

4:45 pm  Reception & Adjourn
         Farkas Auditorium, Breezeway
RESOURCES & TOOLS

We’re going paperless this year!

▶ Conference agendas will be provided at registration. A few copies of our booklets will be available for viewing at registration tables.

▶ Please find our conference agenda and booklet online here: dismantlingstereotypes.wordpress.com/agenda/

▶ Check out our website at dismantlingstereotypes.wordpress.com for further conference resources, presentations, speaker bios, guides, and more.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Be part of the conversation and get the latest updates by following hashtag #ChangingNarratives on Twitter and Facebook!

How to join:

Follow us on Twitter: @NYU_CSAAH @APIAHF @AARPAAPI @AARPNY

Hashtags: #ChangingNarratives #AANHPI #AANHPIresearch #HealthEquity #healthdisparities #CSAAHConference

Like our Facebook page: NYU.CSAAH APIAHF AARPAAPI AARPNY
DEAR CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS,

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to the 9th Biennial Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Health Conference, “Dismantling Stereotypes: Changing the Narrative,” organized by the Center for the Study of Asian American Health (CSAAH) at NYU School of Medicine’s Department of Population Health in partnership with the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF), and co-hosted by AARP. We are pleased to see many familiar faces and new friends at this very important event.

The population of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders (AAs and NHPIs) is one of the fastest growing populations in the United States. According to the U.S. Census Bureau by 2060, AAs are estimated to increase to about 49 million people (11.7% of U.S. population) and NHPIs are estimated to increase to about 2.9 million people (0.7% U.S. population). CSAAH, APIAHF, and AARP are partnering to bring attention to the needs of this often under-served, under-resourced, and rapidly growing population.

The overall goal of today’s conference is to promote dialogue about meaningful inclusion and visibility of diverse Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders (AAs and NHPIs) communities. Inclusion and visibility are necessary to dismantle cultural stereotypes and to advance action-oriented research for greater health equity for AAs and NHPIs. By bringing together community-based organizations, academic institutions, hospitals, private and for-profit organizations and governmental agencies at this conference, we hope to foster dialogue and leadership across sectors and diverse communities by sharing expertise, skills, and knowledge that will strengthen the infrastructure for promoting health equity among the AA and NHPI populations. We will highlight existing methods and best strategies for collecting and sharing disaggregated and meaningful data to help better understand specific health needs of this population. We will also showcase innovative approaches and strategies to change dominant narratives, learn about health disparities in underrepresented and often “hidden” AA and NHPI communities, and work to cultivate partnerships to promote and to support diverse AAs and NHPIs in this nation.

We thank you for your commitment and support of our common efforts in promoting the health status and fostering inclusion and positive change towards a better quality of life for AA and NHPI communities. We thank you for joining us at the 9th Biennial Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Health Conference and we look forward to working collaboratively to dismantle cultural misconceptions and stereotypes and to cultivate and promote health equity in practice.

Sincerely,

Chau Trinh-Shevrin, DrPH
Principal Investigator
NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health

Kathy Ko Chin
President and CEO,
Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum
LETTERS OF SUPPORT

Robert I. Grossman, MD
The Saul J. Farber Dean and Chief Executive Officer

Dear Conference Participants,

As Dean and CEO of the New York University Langone Health, it is with the greatest pride that I welcome you to the Ninth Biennial Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Health Conference, titled “Dismantling Stereotypes: Changing the Narrative,” organized by the NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health (CSAAH) in partnership with the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF) and cohosted by AARP. I commend the efforts of the staff of the CSAAH, APIAHF, and AARP and its conference planning committee for their dedication on behalf of this vitally important endeavor.

NYU Langone Health holds a tradition of caring for New York City’s diverse immigrant and underserved population. For decades, the physicians and staff of NYU Langone, its Hospitals Centers and our affiliated hospitals have provided the most up-to-date, comprehensive care for members of our Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AA and NHPI) communities. Our faculty, staff, and medical students have also worked diligently with community-based organizations serving the AA and NHPI population in order to better the health and mental well-being of these communities.

Since its establishment in 2003, CSAAH has been a pioneering response to the growing health concerns for the Asian American community, made possible by a multi-year grant from the National Institutes of Health - National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities. Designated in 2007 as a National Research Center of Excellence for reducing health disparities, this outstanding achievement is a reflection of the core values and scientific integrity of the Center’s efforts in working with communities to assess health priorities, develop innovative and evidence-based strategies and translate research into practice. In 2009, CSAAH created a successful community-academic partnership with APIAHF focused on developing strategies to further the conduct of health disparities research in AA and NHPI communities. We at NYU Langone are proud of these accomplishments.

This year’s conference provides a space to exchange and disseminate information on innovative and effective ways to change dominant narratives, learn about health disparities in underrepresented and often “hidden” AA and NHPI communities, and work to cultivate partnerships to continue promoting health equity for this growing demographic.

We hope this conference will increase awareness and empower community advocates, clinical providers, researchers, students, grant-makers, the media, and policy-makers to foster partnerships to address the unique issues and challenges these populations face. The event also aims to increase the collection and information sharing of disaggregated and meaningful data, and to continue and expand the focus on social determinants of health in AA and NHPI communities through the promotion of action-oriented research and multi-sector approaches.

I invite you to use today as an opportunity to learn about innovative strategies and best practices to support and mobilize diverse AA and NHPI communities to address health inequities.

Sincerely,

Robert I. Grossman
Dean and CEO

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September 24, 2018

Dear Conference Participants,

As Chair of the Department of Population Health at NYU Langone Health, it is a pleasure to welcome you to the Ninth Biennial Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Health Conference.

Reducing the burden of illness and addressing the health and wellbeing of populations requires linkages between the health care delivery system, the public health system, community partners, and sectors that exert powerful influences on health, like education, housing, public safety, and transportation. Such bridging connections that include a clear focus on upstream determinants are vital to advancing population health in urban settings.

The Department of Population Health advances discovery, translation and dissemination of health-related interventions with the goal of improving the health of populations in New York City and around the world. The department serves as the academic home to a broad range of disciplines, including medicine, epidemiology, biostatistics, economics, psychology and medical ethics, with investigators focusing on methodology, discovery, intervention and policy. Working to foster collaboration across disciplines, community partners, and public sector stakeholders, we take pride in advancing real-world applications of our research.

The NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health (CSAAH) is based in the department’s Section for Health Equity, led by Dr. Chau Trinh-Shevrin. The vision of the Section for Health Equity is to promote health equity in racial and ethnic minority populations and socially disadvantaged communities through community engagement, research training and policy. The Section is guided by a multi-tiered framework that applies a community-based participatory research (CBPR) approach to its programs, includes multiple sectors as stakeholders, and applies an asset-based approach to health promotion and disease prevention.

This year’s conference reflects this vision, providing the opportunity for attendees to discuss strategies to change dominant narratives, learn about health disparities in underrepresented and, often, “hidden” AA and NHPI communities, and work to cultivate partnerships to promote health equity for Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islander communities. With a focus on the social determinants of health, multi-sectoral approaches, action-oriented research, innovative strategies, and the collection and dissemination of disaggregated and meaningful data, the conference offers a tremendous opportunity to share and learn from each other in our common effort to mobilize AA and NHPI communities to address health inequities.

Best,

Marc Gourevitch, MD, MPH
Professor and Chair, Department of Population Health
September 24, 2018

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New York, NY 10016

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Congratulations to everyone participating in and supporting the Ninth Biennial Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Health Conference. Best wishes for a successful and powerful conference.

Sincerely,

Margaret S. Chin
Council Member, District 1
New York City Council
September 24, 2018

Dear Friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my congratulations to the Center for the Study of Asian American Health (CSAAH) at NYU School of Medicine’s Department of Population Health on the occasion of its Ninth Biennial Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Health Conference.

NYU CSAAH has done outstanding work to identify health priorities and to reduce health disparities in the diverse communities in New York City through research, training, and partnership. This year’s conference titled “Dismantling Stereotypes: Changing the Narrative” aims to foster dialogue and leadership across various sectors. It will also highlight innovative models and best practices to cultivate collaborative community engagement and partnerships for the improvement of the health of diverse populations.

Thank you to today’s keynote speakers: Dr. Howard K. Koh and Dr. Eliseo Perez-Stable.

Thank you to NYU CSAAH, the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF), and to AARP for this event and for your dedication and commitment to improving the great City of New York. Please accept my best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

Peter Koo
Council Member
20th District, Queens
September 24, 2018

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Sincerely,

Brad Lander
New York City Council Member
39th Council District, Brooklyn
September 24, 2018

Dear Friends:

It is a great pleasure to welcome everyone to the Ninth Biennial Health Conference, hosted by the NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health and the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum.

As Mayor, I take very seriously the responsibility to protect the health and wellbeing of all New Yorkers and provide people across the five boroughs with access to the resources and support they need to lead fulfilling lives. Today’s conference will help further this mission by bringing a variety of local leaders and experts to our city to discuss solutions to pressing health and social issues facing the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities, and to acknowledge the individuals and organizations that are making a positive impact in these areas. I am proud to applaud all of this event’s organizers and participants for their commitment to building a stronger, healthier future for countless people in New York and beyond.

On behalf of all New Yorkers, congratulations to this year’s honorees. I offer my best wishes for a terrific event and continued success.

Sincerely,

Bill de Blasio
Mayor
September 24, 2018

Dear Friends,


This conference is a step in continuing the dialogue regarding strategies to dismantle cultural stereotypes and to foster leadership towards advancing action-oriented research and health equity in AA and NHPI communities. At the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, we view community-based and community-led action, policy, and leadership as integral to our work.

This event illustrates innovative models and best practices for cultivating collaborative community engagement and partnerships in order to better address health disparities and improve the health of diverse AA and NHPI populations.

Congratulations to NYU CSAAH and everyone participating in and supporting the Ninth Biennial Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Health Conference. Best wishes for a successful and powerful conference.

Regards,

Oxiris Barbot, MD
Acting Commissioner
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As a member of the New York State Assembly, I offer my best wishes for a successful conference and even greater future successes.

Regards,

Ron Kim
Member of Assembly
40th District, Queens
Dear Friends:

It is a pleasure to send greetings to everyone gathered for this 9th Biennial Conference on Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Health, co-hosted by the NYU School of Medicine’s Center for the Study of Asian American Health (CSAAH), the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF), and AARP.

This state and nation benefit from the contributions of an exceptionally dedicated medical community that reflects our richly diverse population. As a leading health organization, NYU CSAAH’s mission is to identify health priorities and reduce health disparities in Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities in New York and the United States through research, training, and partnership. NYU CSAAH is the only Center of its kind in the country that is solely dedicated to research and evaluation on Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander health and health disparities.

Focused on the study of health issues affecting various groups, the Department of Population Health at NYU School Medicine is a valuable resource for developing strategies to improve accessibility to comprehensive healthcare through education, prevention, and awareness. Once again, this biennial meeting, entitled “Dismantling Stereotypes: Changing the Narrative,” brings together a distinguished panel of healthcare professionals, researchers, academicians, and policymakers to address these critical matters in an effort to decrease health disparities and improve the delivery of services to AA and NHPI communities. I applaud and commend your ongoing work and progress in meeting these important objectives.

Warmest regards and best wishes for a productive conference.

Sincerely,

ANDREW M. CUOMO

September 24, 2018
Dear Friends,

It is a privilege to send greetings to everyone participating in the 9th Biennial Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Health Conference. Congratulations to the Center for the Study of Asian American Health at NYU School of Medicine’s Department of Population Health, NYU Langone, for organizing this conference with partners the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum and AARP.

I am grateful that this year’s conference, titled "Dismantling Stereotypes: Changing the Narrative," will tackle the critical issue of how to advance health equity for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander populations. These kinds of conversations are essential so we can identify where improvements can be made and formulate a better path forward.

Thank you to everyone participating in this important conference. You have my best wishes for an inspiring and fruitful exchange of ideas.

Sincerely,

Kirsten Gillibrand
United States Senator
NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health  
227 E, 30th Street, Suite 837J  
New York, NY 10016

Dear NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health:

I am delighted to extend my heartfelt greetings to all gathered at the 9th Biennial Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders Health Conference, co-hosted by New York University School of Medicine’s Center for the Study of Asian American Health (NYU CSAAH) and AARP.

This year’s conference, titled “Dismantling Stereotypes: Changing the Narrative” is based on addressing the issues of the aging population within the Asian-American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities. This conference will gather community-based organizations, hospitals, academic institutions, governmental agencies, and private organizations to foster dialogue on promoting healthy aging and addressing the diverse needs of these groups. NYU CSAAH’s mission is to reduce health disparities in the Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) community through education, outreach and research, and forming links with community-based organizations and healthcare institutions.

I am honored recognize the achievements of these truly wonderful organizations that have demonstrated great excellence in service and support to the AAPI community.

Please accept my best wishes for a wonderful conference and much continued success!

Sincerely,

Grace Meng  
Member of Congress
September 24, 2018

Dear Friends:

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Congratulations to everyone participating in and supporting the Ninth Biennial Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Health Conference. Best wishes for a successful conference.

Sincerely,

JERROLD NADLER
Member of Congress
Welcome to CSAAH’S 9th Biennial Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Health Conference

Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders (AAs and NHPIs) are one of the fastest growing and most diverse populations in the United States. According to the U.S. Census Bureau by 2060, AAs are estimated to increase to about 49 million people (11.7% of U.S. population) and NHPIs are estimated to increase to about 2.9 million people (0.7% U.S. population). At the same time, broader community misconceptions and stereotypes often generalize AAs and NHPIs as monolithic communities—perpetuating divisive and discriminatory rhetoric and policies. These stereotypes, such as the ‘model minority’ myth, which casts all Asian Americans as well educated, affluent, and self-sufficient, mask the diverse health needs and numerous social, economic, and political challenges faced by AA and NHPI communities.

This year’s event brings together diverse experts, community stakeholders, and practitioners from across the country to discuss and identify innovative ways to dismantle cultural misconceptions and stereotypes, and to mobilize AA and NHPI communities to address health inequities.

Thank you for joining us for an engaging day as we discuss strategies to change dominant narratives, learn about health disparities in underrepresented and often “hidden” AA and NHPI communities, and work to cultivate partnerships that promote health equity.

CSAAH, APIAHF, AND AARP

The Center for the Study of Asian American Health (CSAAH) at NYU School of Medicine’s Department of Population Health is a pioneering response to the growing health concerns of the Asian American (AA) community. Its mission is to reduce health disparities in the AA community through outreach, education, and research involving current partnerships and strengthening new linkages with community based organizations and health care institutions who share CSAAH’s goals. In 2009, CSAAH created a partnership with the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF), a national advocacy organization aimed at improving the health and well-being of AAs and NHPIs. Building from APIAHF’s well-established network across AA and NHPI groups, we have co-partnered since 2011 to extend the reach and diverse voices represented at our conference.

We continue to build on these important collaborations, and are proud to be co-hosting our second conference with AARP, a nonprofit, nonpartisan membership organization of nearly 38 million older adults age 50 and over, dedicated to enhancing quality of life for all as we age.
CONFERENCE MISSION & GOALS

Conference Theme
Dismantling Stereotypes: Changing the Narrative

Conference Goals
The overall goal of this conference is to promote dialogue about meaningful inclusion and visibility of diverse Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AA and NHPI) communities. Inclusion and visibility are necessary to dismantle cultural stereotypes and to advance action-oriented research for greater health equity for AAs and NHPIs. By bringing together community-based organizations, academic institutions, hospitals, private and for-profit organizations and governmental agencies at this conference, we aim to:

• Counteract stereotypes about AA and NHPI communities through meaningful discussion and stories
• Articulate how stories can stimulate and strengthen community-based and community-led action, policy, and leadership across sectors
• Highlight compelling strategies and best practices for cultivating AA and NHPI communities’ engagement in collaborative partnerships to support health equity through action-oriented research

Past CSAAH Conferences
2016 Aging Together, Bridging Generations
2014 Moving the Dial: Advancing Population Health Equity
2011 Connecting the Dots: Promoting Health Equity
2009 Reinvesting in Our Communities for Health Equity
2007 Leading the Way, Partnering for Change
2006 Take Notice, Take Action!
2005 Empowering Asian American Communities
2004 Challenges
ABOUT
THE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF
ASIAN AMERICAN HEALTH (CSAAH)

The Center for the Study of Asian American Health (CSAAH) is a National Institute of Health (NIH) National Institutes on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD) funded Specialized Center of Excellence based in the Section for Health Equity within NYU School of Medicine’s Department of Population Health (DPH), NYU Langone. Established in 2003 through an NIH NCMHD Project EXPORT (Excellence in Partnership, Outreach, Research, and Training) Center grant, CSAAH is the only Center of its kind in the country that is solely dedicated to research and evaluation on Asian American health and health disparities.

CSAAH’s work is guided by a population health equity framework. In close collaboration with over 75 local and national community partners, we have evolved our mission and goals to advance health disparities research within a health equity framework. CSAAH’s guiding principles are as follows:

- We believe in systemic change through multi-pronged strategies and working with diverse stakeholders
- We believe in equitable collaboration and partnerships
- We believe in action-oriented research
- We believe in strengthening the research capacity of both community and academic partners to fully engage in the research process
- We believe in multi-cultural evaluation

Background

NYU Langone is one of the few academic medical centers in the US to hold both the NIH and CDC designations as Centers of Excellence, as well as a Prevention Research Center. The success of CSAAH has been largely due to the dedication and commitment of community and university partners working together to reduce health disparities. See below for an overview of CSAAH’s program development over the past ten years.

2007:

- CSAAH received designations from two federal funding mechanisms as National Centers of Excellence. The NIH NIMHD awarded a 5-year center grant to CSAAH as a National Research Center of Excellence supporting research, research training, and community outreach initiatives that are aimed at reducing disparities in health in Asian American communities. That same fall, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) designated CSAAH as a Center of Excellence in the Elimination of Health Disparities (CEED). The 5-year CEED grant supported the B Free CEED: National Center of Excellence in the Elimination of Hepatitis B Disparities, which focused on training and dissemination of evidence-based strategies to reduce Hepatitis B in AA and NHPI communities.
- During this time Project AsPIRE (Asian American Partnership in Research and Empowerment), a multi-year community-based participatory research program funded through the NIH/NIMHD, was in its intervention phase. The goal of Project AsPIRE was to develop, test, and evaluate a community health worker (CHW) model designed to reduce cardiovascular disease and hypertension disparities among Filipino Americans living in New York and New Jersey.
2009:
• NYU received a CDC Health Promotion and Prevention Research Center (PRC) grant, one of the CDC’s oldest and largest award programs. CSAAH was the coordinating agency of this 5-year award. The NYU PRC involved an interdisciplinary and inter-university collaboration among the NYU School of Medicine, NYU Steinhardt Department of Nutrition, Food Studies, and Public Health, and the NYU College of Dentistry and Nursing. The mission of the NYU PRC was to use a CHW model approach to build community capacity and leadership for health promotion and disease prevention in minority and other underserved populations.

2012:
• CSAAH launched a second wave of Community Health Resource and Needs Assessments (CHRNA) data collection (years 2004-2006 (n=1,200) and 2012-2014 (n=1,800)) with community organizations serving diverse Asian subgroups.
• The Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF) and CSAAH co-led and developed the Strategies to Reach and Implement the Vision of Health Equity (STRIVE) Program funded by the CDC. Through a competitive request-for-proposal process, STRIVE distributed $3 million to 15 AA and NHPI community-based organizations (CBOs) across the U.S. and Guam to implement evidence-based, policy, systems, and environmental strategies to increase healthy behaviors among AA and NHPI communities.

2014:
• NYU launched a new public-private partnership with the City University of New York (CUNY). The NYU-CUNY Prevention Research Center (NYU-CUNY PRC), also funded by the CDC, will integrate evidence-based interventions into community-clinical approaches to reduce cardiovascular disease disparities in New York City, with a particular emphasis on ethnically diverse and immigrant communities. The first core research project, called Project IMPACT (Implementing Million Hearts for Provider and Community Transformation), tests the influence of integrating CHW programs with physical-level intervention models using electronic health record-based tools to improve hypertension control among South Asians in New York City.
• In the same year, CSAAH received a 3-year CDC Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) program grant to implement Project Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health for Asian Americans (REACH FAR). REACH FAR aims to address hypertension control among Asian American communities living in the New York/New Jersey metropolitan area through comprehensive, integrated, and sustainable multi-sector, evidence-based policy systems and environmental approaches that includes increasing access to healthy foods and culturally tailored health coaching efforts to improve high blood pressure management.

2018:
• CSAAH launches new scientific track on healthy aging and Alzheimer’s Disease and related dementias with a new supplement funded by the NIH NIMHD. CSAAH seeks to build upon our deep breadth of scientific expertise in community-engaged health disparities research and established bench of national and local community partners and research collaborators within NYU’s Division of Geriatric Medicine to address critical knowledge gaps of health interventions that support prevention, early identification and treatment of AD/ADRD among AA and NHPI populations.
• CSAAH will co-lead the Assessment of Policies through Prediction of Long-term Effects on Cardiovascular Disease Using Simulation (APPLE CDS) Project, in collaboration with the New York Academy of Medicine, funded by the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute. This project will compare dietary interventions in a novel, cost-effective way to aid resource allocation and priority setting. We propose to develop an agent-based model to evaluate the potential impact of various dietary interventions on CVD outcomes and costs for adults in New York City (NYC).
• In the same year CSAAH launches an Applied Methods and Research Unit, focused on utilizing new and existing data, systems science and community partnerships to accelerate the translation of evidence- and practice-based research for racial/ethnic minority communities.
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About Department of Population Health
The Department of Population Health at NYU School of Medicine unites the fields of medicine and public health to improve the health of populations in New York City and around the globe and to educate students to become leaders in healthcare delivery, health policy, and public health. Partnering with colleagues at NYU Langone, NYU Lutheran, Bellevue Hospital, and diverse community and private sector organizations, the Department conducts basic and applied research to improve the quality and effectiveness of healthcare and to prevent and better manage disease. Trained in diverse disciplines, the Department’s more than 70 core faculty and 200 dedicated staff specialize in research areas including: healthcare delivery science, health economics and policy, epidemiology, biostatistics, medical ethics, early childhood development, community health and health equity, decision science, and tobacco, alcohol, and drug use prevention and treatment. Visit us at med.nyu.edu/pophealth/department-population-health.

About NYU Langone
NYU Langone, a world-class, patient-centered, integrated academic medical center, is one of the nation’s premier centers for excellence in clinical care, biomedical research, and medical education. Located in the heart of Manhattan, NYU Langone is composed of four hospitals—Tisch Hospital, its flagship acute care facility; Rusk Rehabilitation; the Hospital for Joint Diseases, the Medical Center’s dedicated inpatient orthopaedic hospital; and Hassenfeld Children’s Hospital, a comprehensive pediatric hospital supporting a full array of children’s health services across the Medical Center—plus the NYU School of Medicine, which since 1841 has trained thousands of physicians and scientists who have helped to shape the course of medical history. The Medical Center’s tri-fold mission to serve, teach, and discover is achieved 365 days a year through the seamless integration of a culture devoted to excellence in patient care, education, and research. For more information, go to nyulangone.org, and interact with us on Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube.

About Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum
The Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF) influences policy, mobilizes communities, and strengthens programs and organizations to improve the health of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders. Established in 1986, APIAHF is the oldest and largest health advocacy organization working with AA and NHPI communities across the nation, in the US Territories, and with the US affiliated Pacific jurisdictions. By providing policy and political analysis, research and data support, and effective communications strategies, APIAHF supports local AA and NHPI communities to have an influence on local, state, and national policy. By providing grants, training, technical assistance, and consulting, APIAHF is a source of key resources so that communities can mobilize and grow stronger in their coalitions and organizational structures. To learn more, visit apiahf.org or follow @apiahf and our CEO @KathyKoChin on Twitter.

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AARP is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, with a membership of nearly 38 million that helps people turn their goals and dreams into ‘Real Possibilities’ by changing the way America defines aging. With staffed offices in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, AARP works to strengthen communities and promote the issues that matter most to families such as healthcare security, financial security and personal fulfillment. AARP also advocates for individuals in the marketplace by selecting products and services of high quality and value to carry the AARP name. As a trusted source for news and information, AARP produces the world’s largest circulation magazine, AARP The Magazine and AARP Bulletin. AARP does not endorse candidates for public office or contribute to political campaigns or candidates.

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2018 Conference Planning Committee
For the Ninth Biennial Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Health Conference, the staff of CSAAH would like to give our sincerest gratitude to the many people that have made this conference possible. These individuals have given us a generous amount of their time and effort these past few months, and we would not have been able to do this event without them.

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2018 AA AND NHPI LEADERSHIP AWARDS

The AA and NHPI Leadership Awards recognize individuals and organizations representing government, community and academic arenas that have made substantive contribution to improving Asian American and Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander health and best reflect the conference theme, “Dismantling Stereotypes: Changing the Narrative.”

2018 Leadership in Health Equity Award

ELISEO J. PÉREZ-STABLE

Eliseo J. Pérez-Stable, M.D. is Director of the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), which seeks to advance the science of minority health and health disparities research through research, training, research capacity development, public education, and information dissemination. Dr. Pérez-Stable’s expertise spans a broad range of health disparities disciplines. His research interests have centered on improving the health of racial and ethnic minorities and underserved populations, advancing patient-centered care, improving cross-cultural communication skills among clinicians, and promoting diversity in the biomedical research workforce.

Dr. Pérez-Stable practiced general internal medicine for 37 years at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) before moving to NIH in September 2015. He was professor of medicine at UCSF and chief of the Division of General Internal Medicine for 17 years. His research interests include improving the health of racial and ethnic minorities and underserved populations, advancing patient-centered care, improving cross-cultural communication skills among clinicians, and promoting diversity in the biomedical research workforce. Recognized as a leader in Latino health care and disparities research, Dr. Pérez-Stable has spent more than 30 years leading research on smoking cessation and tobacco control policy in Latino populations in the United States and Latin America, addressing clinical and prevention issues in cancer screening, and mentoring over 70 minority investigators. He has published over 250 peer-reviewed articles and was elected to the National Academy of Medicine in 2001.
2018 Community Action Leadership Award

CHINESE-AMERICAN PLANNING COUNCIL
Accepted by Wayne Ho

Founded in 1965, the Chinese-American Planning Council, Inc. (CPC) aims to promote the social and economic empowerment of Chinese American, immigrant, and low-income communities. Today, CPC is the nation’s largest Asian American social services organization serving over 60,000 community members each year through more than 50 programs at over 30 sites throughout New York City, including early childhood education, school-age care, youth services, workforce development, community services, and senior services. In 2017, CPC launched Advancing Our CommUNITY, its organization-wide strategy to expand services to address persistent needs and emerging trends and to improve leadership skills among staff and community members.

Wayne Ho is the President & CEO of the CPC, the nation’s largest Asian American social services agency. Previously, Wayne served as Chief Strategy and Program Officer for the Federation of Protestant Welfare Agencies (FPWA), an association of 200 community and faith-based member agencies aiming to promote upward mobility of underserved New Yorkers. From 2004-2013, Wayne was the Executive Director of the Coalition for Asian American Children and Families (CACF), the nation’s only pan-Asian children’s advocacy organization. He was recognized by the City and State as a 40 Under 40 New York City Rising Star in 2014 and was one of 10 leaders invited to meet with President Obama during the White House’s Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month Celebration in 2011. Wayne received his Bachelor of Arts from UC Berkeley and his Master in Public Policy from Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government.
2018 Friend of the Center Award

HONORABLE U.S. CONGRESSWOMAN GRACE MENG

U.S. Congresswoman Grace Meng is serving her third term in the United States House of Representatives. Grace represents the Sixth Congressional District of New York encompassing the New York City borough of Queens, including west, central and northeast Queens. She is the first Asian American Member of Congress from New York State, and the only Congressmember of Asian descent in the entire Northeast. She is also the first female Member of Congress from Queens since former Vice Presidential nominee Geraldine Ferraro. Grace is a member of the powerful House Appropriations Committee and its Subcommittees on State and Foreign Operations, and Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies. The Appropriations Committee is responsible for funding every federal agency, program, and project within the United States government. Previously, Grace served on the House Foreign Affairs Committee and the House Small Business Committee.

Born in Elmhurst, Queens, and raised in the Bayside and Flushing sections of the borough, Grace attended local schools, and graduated from Stuyvesant High School and the University of Michigan. She then earned a law degree from Yeshiva University’s Benjamin Cardozo School of Law. Prior to serving in Congress, Grace was a member of the New York State Assembly. Before entering public service, she worked as a public-interest lawyer.
8:00 am  BREAKFAST & REGISTRATION
         Farkas Auditorium

8:45 am  WELCOME
         Farkas Auditorium

Welcome:
Chau Trinh-Shevrin, Principal Investigator
NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health

Kathy Ko Chin, President & CEO
Asian and Pacific Islander American Health Forum

Daphne Kwok, Vice President, Multicultural Leadership
AARP, Asian American & Pacific Islander Audience Strategy

9:00 am  KEYNOTE
         Farkas Auditorium

Howard Koh
Harvey V. Fineberg Professor of the Practice of Public Health Leadership at the Harvard T. H. Chan
School of Public Health and the Harvard Kennedy School, former Assistant Secretary of Health at the
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

9:45 am  OPENING PLENARY PANEL
         ENSURING HEALTH EQUITY FOR IMMIGRANTS, MIGRANTS, AND REFUGEES
         Farkas Auditorium

This panel will explore the challenges of migration and access to care, particularly in places where
health and social services access and culturally competence resources are scarce. We will discuss
how data misconstrues our understanding of the challenges that new waves of/emerging immigrant
and refugee AA and NHPI communities often face. This includes the lack of evidence-based inter-
ventions and interruption of (health) care services as well as the importance of understanding the
nuances of how migration influences health care and health care decision-making.

Moderator:
Lloyd Asato, Executive Director
Asian Pacific Community in Action

Panelists:
Nia Aitaoto
Director at the University of Utah’s Center for Pacific Islander Health, Associate Professor at the
College of Health’s Department of Nutrition and Integrative Physiology and the School of Medicine’s
Health Systems Innovation and Research Division

XinQi Dong
Director, Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research, Henry Rutgers Distinguished
Professor of Population Health Sciences, Professor of Medicine, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School

Afsana Monir, Co-Founder & Director
Project New Yorker
10:45 am  BREAK

11:00 am  SECOND PLENARY PANEL
HEALTH ISSUES FACING THE AA & NHPI LOW-WAGE WORKFORCE
Farkas Auditorium

This panel unravels the flawed narrative that posits most members of the AA and NHPI communities as highly educated, white-collar workers. The reality is that AA and NHPI individuals work in a wide variety of sectors and professions. We will focus on AAs and NHPIs working in low-wage service industries (e.g. nail salon workers, food delivery cyclists, etc.) and share their health profiles and challenges. The discussion will explore the intersection of work and health, and consider how the “model minority” stereotype is problematic for the AA and NHPI low-wage workforce.

Moderator:
Chandak Ghosh, Senior Medical Advisor for Federal Policy
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Panelists:
Mary Anne Foo, Executive Director
Orange County Asian Pacific Islander Community Alliance

Hang Nguyen, Executive Director BPSOS-CA
BPSOS Center for Community Advancement, Inc.

Howard Shih, Research and Policy Director
Asian American Federation

12:00 pm  LUNCH
Smilow Multipurpose Room
PILOT GRANTEE AND STUDENT POSTER SESSION
Farkas Auditorium, Breezeway

1:00 pm  AFTERNOON KEYNOTE
Farkas Auditorium

Eliseo J. Pérez-Stable, Director
National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities

1:45 pm  AFTERNOON PLENARY PANEL
EXPLORING CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND SOCIAL CONNECTEDNESS IN AAS AND NHPIS
Farkas Auditorium

In this panel, conference attendees will learn about specific examples of civic engagement and social connectedness in the AA and NHPI community, and ways to overcome challenges to both in different communities. Panel speakers will focus on identifying actionable strategies that AA and NHPI individuals and groups can use to create linkages within and across communities, both locally and nationally. This discussion will also challenge attendees and panelists to consider strategies to harness our collective voices to build coalitions and strengthen partnerships to promote health equity in our work.

Moderator:
Chhaya Chhoum, Executive Director
Mekong NYC

Panelists:
Paolo Narciso, Director
Social Entrepreneur in Residence, AARP Foundation
2:45 pm COFFEE BREAK

3:00 pm CLOSING PLENARY PANEL
AA AND NHPI (IN)VISIBILITY: WHY REPRESENTATION IS CRITICAL
Farkas Auditorium

How does “representation” influence the availability and accessibility of culturally tailored health services and care for AAs and NHPIs? This panel will explore AA and NHPI (mis)representation across different fields in order to reflect on what meaningful representation and inclusion look like in order to enable and promote health equity. Panelists will discuss the power of storytelling in research, policy, media, and other sectors and the importance of elevating unrepresented, unseen AA and NHPI perspectives and stories to reflect the reality of and diversity of AA and NHPI communities.

Moderator:
Carmelyn P. Malalis, Chair and Commissioner
NYC Commission on Human Rights

Panelists:
Priscilla Huang, Senior Attorney
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Kham Moua, Associate Director of Policy and Advocacy
OCA - Asian Pacific American Advocates

Nadia Islam, Associate Professor, Department of Population Health
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4:00 pm CLOSING REMARKS

4:15 pm AWARDS CEREMONY

Leadership in Health Equity Award:
Dr. Eliseo J. Pérez-Stable

Community Action Leadership Award:
Chinese-American Planning Council

Friend of the Center Award:
Grace Meng, Congresswoman
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4:45 pm RECEPTION AND ADJOURN
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8:45 am  WELCOME & KEYNOTE
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Lloyd Y. Asato

Executive Director, Asian Pacific Community in Action (APCA)

Lloyd Y. Asato is the executive director for Asian Pacific Community in Action (APCA), a community health non-profit serving Asian American and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) and other emerging communities in Arizona. APCA was founded in 2002 to meet the health needs of Arizona’s fastest growing segment, the AAPI communities. Each year, APCA helps thousands of low income, limited English proficient AAPIs access lifesaving health care and navigate complex health systems. APCA partners with the community to advance health equity for all Arizonans. APCA convenes and leads cross-cultural coalitions with a common vision to serve and empower communities of color in Arizona. Mr. Asato currently serves on the Maricopa Health Center Governing Council. Mr. Asato previously served as the deputy director for the National Council of Asian Pacific Islander Physicians and served as the senior policy analyst for the Asian and Pacific Islander American Health Forum in Washington, D.C. From 2002 to 2005, Mr. Asato served as the chief of the Hawaii State Office of Rural Health. He is a graduate of the University of Hawaii.
Nadia S. Islam, PhD
Associate Professor, Department of Population Health, NYU Langone Health

Nadia Islam is a medical sociologist and an associate professor in the Department of Population Health at NYU Langone Health. Her research focuses on developing culturally relevant community–clinical linkage models to reduce cardiovascular disease and diabetes disparities in disadvantaged communities. She is the principal investigator on several National Institutes of Health (NIH) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)-funded initiatives evaluating the impact of community health worker intervention on chronic disease management and prevention in diverse populations. Dr. Islam also directs the cardiovascular disease and diabetes research track for the NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health, which is dedicated to reducing health disparities facing Asian American communities. It is a National Research Center of Excellence, funded through the NIH. I am also research director at the NYU-CUNY Prevention Research Center and principal investigator of a CDC–funded Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) program project. Dr. Islam received her doctorate in sociomedical sciences from Columbia University and currently serves on the American Diabetes Association task force on Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islanders.

Chhaya Chhoum
Executive Director, Mekong NYC

Chhaya Chhoum was born in Cambodia in 1978 during the fall of the Khmer Rouge Regime. When Chhaya was 16, she became a tutor in a pilot program, one of the first organizations in America to mobilize Asian immigrant communities against the institutionalized violence of urban poverty, worker exploitation, police brutality, and INS detention and deportation. She soon became staff director of a new Southeast Asian Youth Leadership Project. Taking on slumlords, overcrowded classrooms and cutbacks in translation services at public assistance centers and local health clinics, Chhaya harnesses the energy of the young in a community that had lost much of its adult generation. In 2012, Chhaya co-founded Mekong NYC, a community-based organization in the Bronx empowering the Cambodian and Vietnamese community through arts, culture, community organizing, and advocacy. She is currently the Executive Director. She is also a mother of three – ages 17, 14, and 8.
Kathy Ko Chin  
*President and CEO, Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum*

As president and chief executive officer of the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF), Kathy Ko Chin spearheads the national health justice organization’s efforts to influence policy, mobilize communities and strengthen organizations to improve the health of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders (AA and NHPIs). With strong values handed down from her parents, immigrants from China, Kathy’s life’s work has built community institutions that contribute to a just and multiracial society. Recognized as an authority on national health policy, Kathy is also a renowned voice for the Asian American community and served on the President’s Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders during the Obama Administration. She has served on a number of advisory committees, including the National Academy of Social Insurance (NASI) Academy Study Panel studying Medicaid as a Critical Lever in Building a Culture of Health; and the Leadership Committee of the Consumer and Patient Affinity Group (CPAG), which is part of the Health Care Payment Learning and Action Network (LAN). Kathy is a frequent contributor in the media on AA and NHPI perspectives and health issues, including in Huffington Post, mainstream publications and ethnic media.

Sheri-Ann Daniels, EdD  
*Executive Director, Papa Ola Lōkahi*

Born, raised, and currently residing on Maui, Sheri-Ann Daniels, Ed.D., has over two decades of experience in social service programs and 15 years of supervisory experience, including non-profit management. It is through these capacities that Dr. Daniels has worked closely with Hawai‘i’s unique and diverse population to overcome inequities. In April 2016, Dr. Daniels was appointed Executive Director of Papa Ola Lōkahi (POL), the organization charged by the United States Congress with administrative oversight of the Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act [Public Law 102-396]. Under Dr. Daniels’ leadership, POL has been successful in fostering relationships with local, national and international community-based organizations, whose leaders echo their appreciation for her dedication to being present. Prior to POL, Dr. Daniels served in various capacities with the Hawai‘i State Judiciary, Child and Family Services, Malama Family Recovery Center - Maui’s only women-specific addiction and substance abuse treatment facility, and non-profits including Helping Hands Hawai‘i and Salvation Army. A graduate of Kamehameha Schools Kapalama, Dr. Daniels received her bachelor’s in family resources from the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa. She also earned a master’s in counseling psychology from Chaminade University of Honolulu, a doctorate in education from Argosy University, and currently holds several license certifications.
**XinQi Dong, MD, MPH**  
*Director for Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research, Rutgers University*

Dr. XinQi Dong is the Director of the Institute for Health, Health Care Policy, and Aging Research (IFH) at Rutgers University as well as the inaugural Henry Rutgers Distinguished Professor of Population Health Sciences. Dr. Dong has published extensively on the topics of violence prevention with more than 200 peer reviewed publications and is leading a longitudinal epidemiological study (The PINE Study) of 3,300 Chinese older adults to quantify relationships among culture, violence and health outcomes. Dr. Dong was the recipient many awards for his work including the National Physician Advocacy Merit Award by the Institute for Medicine as a Profession, the National Award for Excellence by APHA, the Maxwell Pollack Award in Productive Aging, the Joseph Freeman Award and the Powell Lawton Award by the Gerontological Society of America and the Eward Busse Award by the International Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics in 2017.

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**Amina Ferati**  
*Senior Director of Government Relations & Policy, Asian and Pacific Islander American Health Forum*

Amina is the senior director of government relations and policy for APIAHF. In this role, Amina oversees the policy, government relations and advocacy team where she develops strategies at the federal and state levels that promote APIAHF’s policy agenda. A lawyer by training, Amina combines a passion for health care with policy expertise to move the dial toward making quality, affordable health care a reality for all Americans. Prior to joining APIAHF, Amina served as a director at the VENG Group where she provided guidance on policy, government affairs and strategic communications on a number of health policy matters for clients. Amina served as the VENG Group’s chief advisor on issues including racial and ethnic health and health care disparities, women’s health and implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Amina was previously a Law Students for Reproductive Justice/Georgetown Women’s Law and Public Policy Fellow at APIAHF, where she focused on implementation of the ACA, HIV/AIDS and gender-based violence. Amina received her J.D. from the University of North Carolina School of Law and holds a B.S. in Biology / B.A. in Chemistry from East Carolina University. Outside of the office, you can find Amina whipping up tasty creations that can be described as “Pinterest perfect.”
Mary Anne Foo, MPH
Executive Director and Founder, Orange County Asian and Pacific Islander Community Alliance, Inc.

Mary Anne is the executive director and founder of the Orange County Asian and Pacific Islander Community Alliance, Inc. (OCAPICA), a non-profit community based organization serving the diverse and underserved communities in Southern California regarding health, mental health, policy and civic engagement, youth leadership and education, and workforce development. OCAPICA has over 100 staff who speak 26 languages with programs that serve more than 40,000 community members a year. OCAPICA was formerly a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention National Centers of Excellence and has widely published health research on the needs of Asians and Pacific Islanders in Southern California. Mary Anne has been working for 30 years on issues affecting diverse populations on national, state and local level at several community and countywide organizations. She has received numerous honors including The California Wellness Foundation Sabbatical Award, Legacy Award from Orange County Human Relations, and Woman of the Year from former Assemblymember Lou Correa. Mary Anne serves on several nonprofit boards including, St. Joseph Hospital and St. Joseph Health Community Partnership Fund. Mary Anne received her Bachelor of Science from UC Davis and her Master in Public Health from the UCLA.

Chandak Ghosh, MD, MPH
Senior Medical Advisor, HHS/HRSA

A board-certified ophthalmologist and Captain in the U.S. Public Health Service, Dr. Ghosh has served three Presidential administrations at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. A nationally-recognized expert in health equity, he stands committed to the health needs of underserved populations and keeps focus on the impact of economic downsizing on quality of care. The findings of his publications have been presented before Congress and the White House and have energized collaborations among foundations, community-based groups, government, and academia. He worked on the design and implementation of the Affordable Care Act and the development of the National Performance Review Protocol, utilized to improve quality at all Federal health grantees, including hospitals, universities, and community health centers. The U.S. Public Health Service has awarded Dr. Ghosh a rare Meritorious Service Medal, among its highest honors, for “influencing progress towards health equity on a national scale.”
Priscilla Huang, JD
Senior Attorney, National Health Law Program – Los Angeles

Priscilla Huang is a senior attorney in NHeLP’s Los Angeles office. She focuses on reproductive health and justice issues in Medicaid and the private insurance market. Priscilla has a background in reproductive justice, racial and ethnic health disparities, and immigrant health care access. Prior to joining NHeLP, Priscilla was a consultant and senior advisor with the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, where she spearheaded various federal interagency efforts on improving language services and data collection and reporting.

Before that, Priscilla was the senior director of impact strategies at the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum, where she served as the organization’s primary policy strategist and oversaw its Affordable Care Act (ACA) implementation advocacy efforts. Priscilla was also the Policy and Programs Director at the National Asian Pacific American Women’s Forum, where she led their federal advocacy efforts on reproductive justice, immigrant rights and anti-human trafficking. Priscilla has served on several boards and advisory committees, and has been recognized for her leadership by the National Immigration Law Center, Families USA, the Congressional Black Caucus Health Braintrust, and others. Priscilla received her JD from American University, Washington College of Law, where she was one of ten Public Interest/Public Service Scholars. She received a BA in English and Philosophy from Boston College.

Howard K. Koh, MD, MPH
Harvey V. Fineberg Professor of the Practice of Public Health Leadership at the Harvard School of Public Health and the Harvard Kennedy School

Dr. Howard K. Koh has previously served as the 14th Assistant Secretary for Health for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (2009-2014) after being nominated by President Barack Obama, and as Commissioner of Public Health for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (1997-2003) after being appointed by Governor William Weld. A graduate of Yale College and the Yale University School of Medicine, he has trained at Boston City Hospital and Massachusetts General Hospital, has earned board certifications in 4 medical fields, held major academic positions at Boston University and Harvard University, published more than 250 articles in the medical and public health literature and has received over 70 awards for accomplishments in public health, as well as six honorary doctorate degrees. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA), the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA), the Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation, The Network for Public Health Law and New England Donor Services.
Daphne Kwok

Vice President, Multicultural Leadership, AARP, Asian American & Pacific Islander Audience Strategy

Daphne Kwok is the Vice President of Multicultural Leadership for the Asian American & Pacific Islander Audience Strategy at AARP. Her work empowers Asian Americans & Pacific Islanders (AAPIs) to choose how they live as they age. She brings with her experience as a “leader of leaders” through her community service in promoting and empowering the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community. Daphne Kwok was appointed in July 2010 by President Barack Obama to chair his Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, advising the president on policies impacting the AAPI community. Ms. Kwok concluded her term as chair in May 2014 but continued as a commissioner until February 2017.

Previously, Ms. Kwok has served as the Executive Director of Asians & Pacific Islanders with Disabilities of California, the Executive Director of the Angel Island Immigration Station Foundation in San Francisco, and was the Executive Director of the Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA), a national membership based civil rights organization for 11 years. A 1984 graduate of Wesleyan University in East Asian Studies and Music, she is the first Asian American to serve on its Board of Trustees and chaired the Wesleyan Alumni Association.

Carmelyn P. Malalis, Esq.

Chair and Commissioner of the New York City Commission on Human Rights (the Commission)

Carmelyn P. Malalis was appointed Chair and Commissioner of the New York City Commission on Human Rights (the Commission) by Mayor Bill de Blasio in November 2014 following more than a decade in private practice as an advocate for employees’ rights in the workplace.

Prior to her appointment, Commissioner Malalis was a partner at Outten & Golden LLP where she co-founded and co-chaired its Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Workplace Rights Practice Group and its Disability and Family Responsibilities Discrimination Practice Group. She successfully represented employees in negotiations, agency proceedings, and litigation involving claims of sexual harassment, retaliation, and discrimination based on race, national origin, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, pregnancy, disability, and religion. Throughout her career, Ms. Malalis has demonstrated a fierce commitment to promoting diversity and inclusion and preventing and prosecuting discrimination and intolerance. Since she assumed her role as Chair and Commissioner at the Commission in February 2015, Commissioner Malalis has revitalized the agency, making it a recognized venue for justice for all New Yorkers through increased enforcement and robust public education and outreach to prevent discrimination in New York City.
Afsana Monir, MA  
Co-Founder & Director, Project New Yorker

Afsana Monir moved to United States from England after finishing law school. She worked as a Legal Associate in the immigration law and human rights arena in London. Her focus was serving the indigent people who cannot afford to hire a lawyer. Prior to coming on board with Project New Yorker, she worked closely with the underprivileged people mostly South Asian American across NYC. Afsana’s goal in life is to become an expert in the field of justice and contribute her skills to uplift the status of under-served women and girls around the world. Recently she took the New York State Bar examination and currently enrolled in the Master’s program at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY.

Kham S. Moua  
Associate Director of Policy and Advocacy, OCA – Asian Pacific American Advocates

Kham S. Moua directs OCA – Asian Pacific American Advocates’ policy, advocacy, and campaign efforts. He has over a decade of experience in community building, organizing, advocacy, and policy on issues wide range of issues. At OCA, his primary portfolio includes immigration, education, and telecommunications and technology. Moua co-chairs the National Council of Asian Pacific American committee on immigration. He is also on the board of the National Queer Asian Pacific Islander Alliance (NQAPIA). Issues aside from Asian American equality close to him include LGBTQ rights, Pacific Islander and Southeast Asian equity, and internet policy. Before OCA, he worked on state and local advocacy at Hmong National Development.

Paolo Narciso, EdD  
Interim Vice President, Director, Social Entrepreneur in Residence, AARP Foundation

Dr. Narciso is the Vice President of Impact Areas for the AARP Foundation, one of the largest public charities in the United States. In his role, he leads the development and management of effective solutions to solve Senior Poverty, specifically in the impact areas of Housing, Food Security, Income Security and Social Isolation. In order to reach the AARP Foundation’s mission of a future without Senior Poverty, the AARP Foundation has re-imagined food accessibility and delivery models, the use of fintech to help vulnerable older adults save for unexpected expenses, and the use of Voice Enabled AI to detect social isolation and improve social connectedness. Prior to the AARP Foundation, Dr. Narciso was the founder of CloudHealth Asia and led several of his startups to successful exits.
Hang Nguyen  
*Executive Director, BPSOS Center for Community Advancement, Inc.*

Hang Nguyen is the Executive Director for BPSOS Center for Community Advancement, Inc. (BPSOS-CCA) in Westminster, California. BPSOS-CCA is an affiliate of BPSOS, the largest national Vietnamese nonprofit community-based organization in the U.S. with a 38-years record of accomplishment of serving the Vietnamese community. BPSOS mission is “to empower, organize and equip Vietnamese individuals and communities in their pursuit of liberty and dignity.” Ms. Nguyen earned her Bachelor of Science degree from Cal State Long Beach, and graduated Cum Laude for her Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice. Ms. Nguyen is trilingual as she is fluent in English, Vietnamese and Spanish. She joined BPSOS-CCA in 2015. Since then, she had expanded its operation and infrastructure.

Eliseo J. Pérez-Stable, MD  
*Director, National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities*

Dr. Eliseo J. Pérez-Stable is Director of the National Institutes of Health’s National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD), which seeks to advance the science of minority health and health disparities research through research, training, research capacity development, public education, and information dissemination. Dr. Pérez-Stable practiced general internal medicine for 37 years at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) before moving to NIH in September 2015. He was professor of medicine at UCSF and chief of the Division of General Internal Medicine for 17 years. His research interests include improving the health of racial and ethnic minorities and underserved populations, advancing patient-centered care, improving cross-cultural communication skills among clinicians, and promoting diversity in the biomedical research workforce. For more than 30 years, Dr. Pérez-Stable led research on Latino smoking cessation and tobacco control policy in the United States and Latin America, addressing clinical and prevention issues in cancer screening, and mentoring over 70 minority investigators. He has published over 250 peer-reviewed articles and was elected to the National Academy of Medicine in 2001.
Chau Trinh-Shevrin, DrPH  
*Associate Professor, Department of Population Health, NYU School of Medicine*

Chau Trinh-Shevrin, DrPH, is an Associate Professor in the Departments of Population Health (DPH) and Medicine at NYU School of Medicine. Within DPH, Dr. Trinh-Shevrin serves as Vice Chair for Research and heads the Section for Health Equity. For more than 20 years, Dr. Trinh-Shevrin has been involved in health promotion, disease prevention, and health disparities research programs utilizing community-based participatory research principles (CBPR) for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander and other underserved populations. Currently, she is PI of an NIH NIMHD Specialized Center of Excellence - the NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health - and a CDC-sponsored Prevention Research Center that is a partnership between the NYU School of Medicine and the CUNY School of Public Health. Dr. Trinh-Shevrin also serves as associate director of Community Outreach and Engagement for the Perlmutter Cancer Center and co-director of the Community Engagement and Population Health Research Core and the Integrating Special Populations Unit for the NYU-Health + Hospitals (H+H) Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI). In these institutional roles, she is involved in fostering community-engaged research collaborations and developing research training programs for community and academic partners aimed to strengthen equitable campus-community partnerships. Dr. Trinh-Shevrin is a social epidemiologist with a doctorate in public health from Columbia University and a master in health policy and management at the State University of New York at Albany.

Howard Shih, MS  
*Research and Policy Director, Asian American Federation*

Howard has authored or co-authored a number of reports on Asian Americans, covering topics such as economic contributions, poverty, seniors, mental health and children’s issues. He has also published articles on poverty and comparing demographics of the New York and Los Angeles metro areas in UCLA’s AAPI Nexus Journal. Howard oversees the Federation’s Census Information Center (CIC), officially designated by the Census Bureau as a repository of Census data for improving data access to underserved communities. The CIC acts as a data resource to the Asian American community and has published periodic briefs covering neighborhoods, legislative districts and ethnic groups of the Asian American communities of New York City. In 2010, Mr. Shih led the Federation’s Census outreach initiative to encourage Asian Americans to fully participate in the decennial census.
TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP Awardees

Bo James Hwang
San Francisco Department of Public Health

Bo James Hwang is a research scholar at the San Francisco Department of Public Health. He is currently assessing the needs and barriers to Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) for the diverse transgender and non-binary communities in the Bay Area. Bo has extensive experience working with federally qualified health centers and their implementation of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI) collection throughout California.

Dale Dagar Maglalang, MA, MSW
Boston College

Dale Maglalang is a second year in the doctoral program in Social Work at Boston College. Dale’s research interests are on social determinants of health, health equity, care work, Critical Social Work, Critical Race Theory, and ethnic studies. Dale’s dissertation will examine the socio-ecological experiences of low-wage immigrant Filipinx care workers. Dale earned his BS in Human Development and BA in Asian American Studies at the University of California, Davis, MA in Asian American Studies at San Francisco State University, and MSW at Boston College. He was also a fellow for the Stanford Health 4 All program.

Samantha Scott, Ph.D. Candidate
University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa

Samantha Scott is a PhD student studying community-based and translational research at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa. She is also a Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Research Scholar. As a Kanaka Maoli (Native Hawaiian), Samantha is committed to Mauli Ola (Native Hawaiian Health) through research, advocacy, and policy. Currently, her research focuses on enhancing health interventions to be culturally congruent for Wāhine (Native Hawaiian women) health. As an emerging researcher in Mauli Ola and Western science, Samantha heeds the call of Hawai‘i’s last reigning queen, Lili‘uokalani, who in the face of injustice, resisted with poise and grace. Onipa a. Be steadfast.
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