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Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
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2007 Women's Health Policy Summit



**Building Multicultural Women's Health:
Setting an Agenda for Los Angeles**

*The Hotel Sheraton
Los Angeles Downtown*
Thursday, May 24, 2007
7:30am - 5:30pm

WOMEN'S HEALTH POLICY SUMMIT

A Brief History

In 1997, the Los Angeles County Commission for Women with the support of the Board of Supervisors convened the first L.A. County Women's Health Policy Summit which resulted in 101 recommendations to improve the health status of women. Included was a recommendation to establish a county Office of Women's Health (OWH). In 1998, upon a motion by Supervisor Yvonne Burke unanimously approved by the Board of Supervisors, the OWH was created. The OWH convened a second Summit in 1999 to report on the progress of the recommendations and best practices in women's health. The 2007 Summit will identify current gaps, trends and future steps to improve the health status of women, especially low-income women and women of color.

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7:30 - 8:00 am	Registration and Healthy Continental Breakfast
8:00 - 8:30 am	Promising Practices Poster Session
8:30 - 9:00 am	Welcoming Remarks
9:00 - 10:30 am	Morning Panel: "Achieving Equitable Health" <i>Moderator:</i> Diana Bontá, RN, DrPH Vice President of Public Affairs, Kaiser Permanente <i>Panelists:</i> Gail Christopher, DN - Vice President for Health, Women & Families, Joint Center for Political & Economic Studies Antonia Hernández, JD President, California Community Foundation Marjorie Kagawa-Singer, PhD, MA, RN, MN Professor, UCLA School of Public Health and Department of Asian American Studies
10:30 - 10:45 am	Stretch/Break
10:45 - 12:15 pm	Breakout Workgroups Workgroup participants will hear presentations and then discuss and develop priority recommendations. Attendees will participate in the same workgroup in a.m. and p.m. 1. Healthy Aging & the Social Determinants of Health Examining the impact of social conditions on aging, including poverty, language, race, economic status, the environment and access to preventive care and treatment. 2. Reproductive Health & the Environment Addressing the impact of exposure to environmental contaminants on reproductive health with a particular focus on low income communities. 3. Universal Healthcare & Women's Health Analyzing the various health care reform proposals in California and recommending fundamental principles that must be included in a comprehensive health plan addressing girls and women's health/mental health throughout their lifespan. 4. Adolescence & Healthy Relationships Examining the factors contributing to healthy and unhealthy relationships and the physical and mental well-being of racially and ethnically-diverse adolescent girls. 5. Immigrant Women & Health Examining ways to incorporate culturally and linguistically-appropriate health care for foreign-born women who face numerous obstacles in accessing care including language and culture, economic hardship, and fear of authority.

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6. Violence & Health

Focusing on the prevention of community-based and interpersonal violence including such factors as unsafe neighborhoods, physical and mental abuse, depression and low self esteem.

7. Racism, Multiculturalism & Health

Examining the impact of institutional racism and the social environment on the physical and mental health of racially and ethnically-diverse women.

8. Healthy Lifestyles & Chronic Disease Prevention

Emphasizing the relationship between a healthy lifestyle, chronic disease prevention and health disparities.

9. Disability & Access

Identifying the misconceptions related to the health needs of disabled women to reduce the barriers encountered accessing comprehensive health care, including reproductive health.

10. Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity:

Addressing the health and mental health needs of lesbian, bisexual and transgender women who are often marginalized in the healthcare system.

12:15 - 12:45 pm

Break/Networking/Promising Practices Poster Session

12:45 - 1:45 pm

Luncheon

Screening of video, "Building Multicultural Women's Health"

Keynote Speaker:

Vivian Pinn, MD - Associate Director for Research on Women's Health; Director, Office of Research on Women's Health, NIH, Dept. of Health & Human Services

1:45 - 3:00 pm

Breakout Sessions

Return to same workgroup to formulate recommendations

3:15 - 4:45 pm

Listening Panel

Federal, State, and local legislators, policymakers and funders will hear the recommendations from the workgroups

Moderator:

Terri A. Thorfinnson, JD

Chief, California Office of Women's Health

4:45 - 5:00 pm

Call to Action

Juanita Watts, MD, Regional Coordinator for Women's Health, Southern California Kaiser Permanente Group

5:00 - 5:30 pm

Closing Reception

Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Healthcare leaders such as CEO's, funders, policymakers, researchers, advocates, healthcare providers, and other key healthcare stakeholders.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Attendees will hear presentations and discussions on important women's health topics and actively participate in a workgroup to develop priority recommendations.

LOCATION

The Hotel Sheraton Los Angeles Downtown

(located in downtown Los Angeles between Flower and Grand Streets)

711 South Hope Street,
Los Angeles, CA 90017
(213) 488-3500

PARKING

- Self-parking and valet parking entrances are located on Hope Street and Flower Street.
- **Only self-parking will be hosted.** Ticket will be processed at tables in the summit registration area.
- Traffic from both the Hope and Flower Street entrances merge into a spiral ramp.
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For more conference information,
call the Office of Women's Health at 626-569-3850.

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Pre-registration is required. No walk-ins.

Capacity is limited. First come, first served.

PLEASE PRINT:

NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

ORGANIZATION: _____

ADDRESS: _____

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STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

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WORKGROUP PREFERENCE:

Please mark your 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice.

(i.e. please write "1", "2", and "3" inside the boxes below):

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