Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Health Disparity & Health Equity Conference

Conference Program
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
National Center for Health Statistics
Welcome Letter

Aloha, Malo ‘elelei, Talofa, Hafa Adai, Bula Vinaka, Yokwe, Allii, Noai’a, Ia orana, Kaselehlie, Fakalofa atu, Kia Ora,

I’d like to personally welcome each of you to the Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Health Disparity & Health Equity Conference. This is truly a historic event, bringing together Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPi) peoples from the continent, Hawaii, and the U.S. associated Pacific Islands, as well as community stakeholders, advocates, policy makers, philanthropic leaders, researchers, and students.

As Director of the University of Michigan Institute for Social Research, which is the world’s largest academic social and survey research organization, I am a long-time supporter of the solid, scientific research being presented at this conference. This research is essential to obtain better data and information necessary to address the unmet needs of this distinct and important ethnic minority group. It is only through this kind of evidence-based information that culturally relevant interventions and policies can be developed and implemented.

The Pacific Islander Health Study is the first representative study to provide baseline information on Pacific Islander health and healthcare utilization, and its findings are valuable in their own right. But the study is also important as a model of the way that scientific methods can be applied in studying numerically small, hard-to-reach, underserved minority populations.

It is my hope that this conference will help set the course for future meaningful work to address NHPi health disparities and achieve health equity for this population. I am confident that this conference will help to promote the collaboration, strong leadership, and commitment needed to move forward to eliminate NHPi health disparities.

The conference theme, “Envision the Future,” is truly what the organizers of this important event hope that all conference attendees will be inspired to do, using the presentations to guide them in helping to create a future that will bring benefits to all Pacific People.

Thank you all for taking part in this exciting event!

Sincerely,

James S. Jackson
Director and Research Professor
University of Michigan Institute for Social Research
Daniel Katz Distinguished University Professor of Psychology
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September 24, 2012

Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Health Disparity and Health Equity Conference

Envision the Future
The Westin Los Angeles Airport Hotel
Los Angeles, California

Dear Friends:

It is a pleasure to welcome all those who have gathered for this year’s Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Health Disparity and Health Equity Conference. Although my schedule prevents me from joining you, please know that my thoughts are with you.

The subject of health care is indeed an important one, and I commend you all for coming together where discussions can be had, and ideas are expressed. Your gathering is a wonderful opportunity to bring healthcare professionals with a profound devotion to research, and supporting and developing means of accessibility to health care programs for Native and Pacific Islander communities together. This is demonstrated by the esteemed speakers and attendees who continue to have a positive influence on countless individuals, as we prepare for a brighter future and meet the complex challenges that lay ahead. In a time filled with uncertainties, many struggle to receive basic care and it is encouraging to know that men and women such as yourselves are steadfast in taking the steps towards ensuring every U.S. citizen can attain quality health care. For that, you have the appreciation of not only myself, but that of your peers and the many lives you have touched by warmly serving as a resource to those seeking assistance.

You have my best wishes for a stimulating gathering. I am certain that the views and experiences shared in this year’s conference will prove invaluable.

Aloha

Daniel K. Inouye
United States Senator
September 25, 2012

MESSAGE FROM U.S. SENATOR DANIEL K. AKAKA

Aloha and best wishes to all in attendance at the Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPI) Health Disparity and Health Equity Conference in Los Angeles, California.

This two-day conference is extremely significant in light of the wide participation that it generates among representatives from across the health care professions and the communities they serve. The conference provides a wonderful opportunity for NHPI leaders, philanthropic leaders, researchers, educators, advocates, and policymakers to come together, share their expertise and experiences with fellow professionals, and discuss the impact of health care data in evaluating understudied and underserved populations. To that end, the summit will present and examine new research findings on health care disparities that impact the NHPI community, including a representative survey on the health and health care utilization of Pacific Islander adults and adolescents.

I take great pleasure in commending the conferees for their fine work and the continuing contributions they make toward improving access to quality health care for Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islanders. I wish all of you a most successful and productive conference.

Aloha pumehana,

Daniel K. Akaka

DANIEL K. AKAKA
U.S. Senator
Dear Friends:

Talofa and greetings to all presenters, attendees, and organizers of the first ever Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPI) Health Disparity & Health Equity Conference in Los Angeles, California.

As American Samoa’s representative to the U.S. Congress, it is my pleasure to also offer my sincere congratulations to Conference Co-Chairs, Dr. Sela Panapasa and Dr. Wayne McCullough of the University of Michigan, and Conference Committee Members on the successful launch of this historic event for our NHPI community.

“Envision the Future,” the theme for this momentous meeting, is a marker for where we are as an NHPI community and where we are going. Just as it is important for us to preserve past traditions that came before us, it is of greater importance that we successfully chart the course for where we are headed. The launching of this conference along with the completion of the Pacific Islander Health Study are important victories for our people that will help us chart our course for positive NHPI health outcomes.

Once again I extend my deep gratitude to the Conference Committee, and especially Dr. Panapasa, a dear friend and committed advocate for our Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander people. To all of our community stakeholders, advocates, policy makers, philanthropic leaders, researchers and students in attendance, I wish you all a successful conference.

Soifua,

ENI F.H. FALEOMAVAEGA
Member of Congress

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September 24-25, 2012

Message from Congressman Michael M. Honda
Welcoming All to the Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander
Health Disparity and Health Equity Conference

Dear Friends:

It is an honor to extend my warmest greetings to the participants and organizers of the Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Health Disparity and Health Equity Conference. I am grateful for the opportunity to extend my support for this historic, trailblazing event.

As we embrace the theme, “Envision the Future: Translating Research into Healthy Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Communities,” we must bear in mind the importance of laying the foundation of this life-saving dialogue for closing the gap between health disparity and health equity. I commend the researchers behind the numbers—the Institute for Social Research at the University of Michigan, in particular—for their pioneering research and survey. The Pacific Islander Health Study will set the standard and lay the groundwork for policymakers, community stakeholders, advocates, students, and any who seek to address the quantity and quality of healthcare for the understudied and underserved.

Throughout my time in Congress, I have been inspired by the basic principle that healthcare is a human right. As the former Chair and now the Chair Emeritus of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, I know firsthand the health disparities and coverage gaps that our Asian American and Pacific Islander community acutely faces. I have spent my career fighting for better language access in clinical settings; increased funding for diseases such as Hepatitis that disproportionately affect our community; and promoting cultural and holistic awareness in our healthcare system. Health is connected to every aspect of our lives, and it affects our capacity to work, live, and play.

I am encouraged by the gathering of the 200 attendees from across the country and ocean; your presence fosters greater awareness and dialogue for the issues that affect our families, neighbors, NHPI community—and our larger AAPI family. Congratulations again on this landmark occasion. I look forward to continuing our work together.

Sincerely,

Michael M. Honda
Member of Congress
Chairman Emeritus, CAPAC
September 24, 2012

Hafa Adai,

Welcome to the Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPI) Health Disparity and Health Equity Conference. This two-day meeting provides an important opportunity to learn from researchers and healthcare professionals about preliminary findings from the Pacific Islander Health Study. This study will help policymakers, students and stakeholders in understanding how to develop effective strategies to improve health outcomes for our country’s NHPI community.

As vice chair of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, and former chair of the Health Taskforce, I have worked with my colleagues and various organizations to address the inequities in accessibility and treatment for AAPI communities across our country. Our Caucus is committed to ensuring that AAPIs and all communities are able to receive quality healthcare that is culturally competent and linguistically appropriate. We have endorsed legislation such as the Health Equity and Accountability Act of 2011, which will make comprehensive improvements to federal law to address some of our community’s most pressing healthcare issues. This conference, through the diligence of its organizers and the contributions of its participants, will assist in responding to the challenges and issues vital to advancing and improving NHPI patient care and services.

I commend the University of Michigan Institute for Social Research for coordinating this conference to increase awareness of NHPI evidence-based health disparities. I extend my sincere gratitude to all those who came out in support of this conference, and to those who are working to improve the quality and delivery of healthcare services to all underserved communities across our country.

Sincerely,

MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO
Member of Congress
MESSAGE FROM
CONGRESSWOMAN MAZIE K. HIRONO

In honor of the
Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander
Health Disparity & Health Equity Conference

2012 Envision the Future: Translating Research into Healthy Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Communities

September 24-25, 2012

Aloha to everyone attending the Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPI) Health Disparity & Health Equity Conference, “2012 Envision the Future: Translating Research into Healthy Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Communities.” It is exciting to see NHPI researchers, leaders, and students gathered to discuss health concerns that affect the entire community.

Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders face longstanding health disparities, with among the highest rates of diabetes, heart disease, stroke, and cancer in the country. It is our kuleana as a nation to stand up for programs and research initiatives that are critical to addressing healthcare needs that disproportionately affect the NHPI community.

This conference provides an important opportunity to examine this inequity and highlight the necessity of gathering data to better evaluate the health of these underserved populations. A more complete understanding of NHPI challenges will help to create more effective policies.

Mahalo to the Institute for Social Research at the University of Michigan for organizing this conference, and for your outstanding research in the field of NHPI health. My best wishes for an informative and productive conference.

Sincerely,

Mazie K. Hirono
Member of Congress
2nd District, Hawaii
September 24, 2012

Dear Friends,

As Chair of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus (CAPAC), I warmly welcome you to the Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPI) Health Disparity & Health Equity Conference. This conference provides an important first step to utilizing evidence-based research to address health disparities in NHPI communities, and I would like to commend the University of Michigan Institute for Social Research and the conference committee members on the convening of this historic event.

Eliminating health disparities that affect the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander community is one of CAPAC’s top policy priorities. As such, our caucus is committed to supporting critical programs that address diseases and chronic illnesses that disproportionately impact our communities. From the introduction of the Health Equity and Accountability Act to our push for better data disaggregation, CAPAC has worked to ensure that the NHPI community and all communities have access to quality, affordable health care.

CAPAC values your critical work on behalf of the NHPI community and looks forward to continue working with you to ensure that the health needs of our communities are met. On behalf of the 43 Members of our caucus, I thank you for your support of this conference and extend my best wishes for a successful event.

Sincerely,

JUDY CHU, Ph.D.
Member of Congress
CAPAC Chairwoman
Message from Congresswoman Colleen Hanabusa  
First Congressional District of Hawai‘i

September 24, 2012

On behalf of the First Congressional District of Hawai‘i, it is my pleasure to send a warm aloha to the Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPI) Health Disparity & Health Equity Conference. This year’s conference in Los Angeles promises to be very productive in continuing to understand and strategize our collective efforts to both improve health outcomes and healthcare access for our nation’s NHPI community.

As a former State Senator in Hawai‘i, I am fully aware of the heath disparities that face the NHPI community. I have for many years fought to increase support for both research and health care services to close the gaps in coverage and increase the quality of care for our NHPI communities in Hawai‘i and across the country. As a Member of the U.S. House of Representatives, I intend to continue advocating for more attention to this critical issue at the federal level to ensure that health equity becomes a reality for all NHPI communities across the nation.

While my colleagues and I push for more modern and encompassing federal legislation in this area, the combined efforts of lawmakers, policy and health care experts, and the community as a whole will prove pivotal in understanding how we can address the issues faced by underserved communities in the U.S. in ensuring that all Americans have access to affordable quality health care and the security of a healthy community.

I sincerely commend the University of Michigan Institute for Social Research for organizing this conference to increase awareness of the disparities NHPI communities face. I send my warmest wishes for a successful conference and I send my sincere aloha to all those who have committed themselves towards innovating for the future in service of our diverse NHPI communities.

Warmest Aloha,

COLLEEN W. HANABUSA
Member of Congress
Greetings!

Welcome to the Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Health Disparity and Health Equity Conference. This discussion of health disparity and equity comes at a crucial time in the lives of the people we represent, and it is my fervent hope that what is learned here in Los Angeles will help build awareness that will lead to action in our NHPI communities.

The quality and costs of health care have been major topics of discussion in Washington, D.C. for decades. In the 111th Congress, however, we finally saw a significant push to effectuate change. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, which Delegates from the U.S. Pacific Islands worked on tirelessly to ensure inclusion for our people, is bringing us much needed benefits. As a result of “Obamacare,” many seniors are receiving more frequent preventive care and greater financial assistance to meet the rising cost of their medicines; families are getting access to insurance coverage despite preexisting conditions, age, or gender; and those with lower incomes are being provided a greater level of care from the federal Medicaid program. Despite these movements toward ending health disparity and inequities, much more needs to be done.

I commend the Institute for Social Research at the University of Michigan for sponsoring this event, and its contributors, particularly the Office of Insular Affairs and the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities. As a member of both the Congressional Hispanic Caucus and the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, I am always eager to support those seeking to combat health inequities wherever they occur, most particularly in our islands and other underserved areas of the United States.

You all have my gratitude for the work you are doing.

Respectfully,

GREGORIO KILILI CAMACHO SABLAN
Member of Congress
Sione Fa born in Arcadia, CA. Raised in Mesa, AZ. Proud son of Vuna and Veronica Fa is a first generation Tongan. Sione has grown up with not only the culture but a deep love for his fellow Polynesians.

Sione was a contestant on the hit series NBC's The Biggest Loser season 7 which aired in 2009. Starting his weight loss journey at 372lbs and losing 146lbs. His journey started out for personal reasons but then soon realized the importance of sharing the tools he had learned with others, especially his Tongan community.

Since leaving the show Sione has become a motivational speaker traveling across the country speaking to large groups and corporations such as Target, State Farm, Safelite, Kalil, PF Changs, and Keller Williams and has appeared on The Today Show, The Jay Leno Show. Sione was also featured on The Biggest Loser: Where Are They Now episode in 2010 where Sione Traveled to Tonga to meet Her Royal Highness Princess Pilolevu and talk about the rising epidemic of diabetes and obesity among the Tongans both on the Island and living abroad.

Sione is currently a trainer at The Biggest Loser Resort Fitness Ridge in Southern Utah were he resides with his wife Britni, daughter Maizi, and son Soakai with baby number 3 expected in December.

J. Nadine Gracia, M.D., M.S.C.E.
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health (Acting)
Acting Director of the Office of Minority Health
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Dr. J. Nadine Gracia is the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health (Acting) and the Acting Director of the Office of Minority Health at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The Office of Minority Health is dedicated to improving the health of racial and ethnic minority populations through the development of health policies and programs that will help eliminate health disparities.

A pediatrician with epidemiology training, Dr. Gracia was previously a clinical instructor at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, and a clinical instructor and research fellow at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, where she conducted research on community risk factors for violence.

Dr. Gracia joined the Federal government as a White House Fellow, assigned to HHS and later to the Office of the First Lady. She most recently served as Chief Medical Officer in the HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, where her portfolio included child and adolescent health, disaster preparedness, environmental health, global health, Haiti recovery, and the White House Council on Women and Girls. She also led the development of the 2012 HHS environmental justice strategy.

A first-generation Haitian-American, Dr. Gracia holds a Bachelor of Arts in French from Stanford University, a medical degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, and a Master of Science in Clinical Epidemiology from the University of Pennsylvania.

Steven Heeringa, Ph.D.
Research Scientist
University of Michigan Institute for Social Research

Steven G. Heeringa is a Research Scientist at the University of Michigan Institute for Social Research (ISR). He is a member of the Faculty of the University of Michigan Program in Survey Methods and the Joint Program in Survey
Methodology and directs the Survey Research Center's Summer Institute in Survey Research Techniques. Steve is a Fellow of the American Statistical Association and elected member of the International Statistical Institute. He is the author of many publications on statistical design and sampling methods for research in the fields of public health and the social sciences. He is the lead author of Applied Survey Data Analysis (Chapman & Hall, 2010), a comprehensive new text on methods for the statistical analysis of complex sample survey data. Steve has over 35 years of statistical sampling experience in the development of the SRC National Sample design, as well as research designs for ISR's major longitudinal and cross-sectional survey programs. Since 1985 Steve has collaborated extensively with scientific colleagues in the design and conduct of major studies in aging, psychiatric epidemiology and physical and mental health.

Lindsay Hixson, Ph.D.
Racial Statistics Branch
Population Division
U.S. Census Bureau

Lindsay Hixson is a statistician with the Racial Statistics Branch in the Population Division at the U.S. Census Bureau. She reviews and analyzes race and ethnic data, with a primary focus on the 2010 Census. Hixson has co-authored two 2010 Census briefs, one on the Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander population and one on the White population.

Before joining the Census Bureau in 2008, Hixson taught sociology courses and was the Assistant Director of Capitalize on Community, a service learning HIV prevention project at the University at Albany-SUNY. Hixson received a bachelor's degree in applied cultural studies from Northern Kentucky University, a master's degree in sociology from Portland State University and a doctorate degree in sociology from University at Albany-SUNY.

Nicholas A. Jones
Chief, Racial Statistics Branch
U.S. Census Bureau

Nicholas A. Jones is chief of the U.S. Census Bureau's Racial Statistics Branch, where he leads a research team that analyzes Census Bureau data on race and ethnicity and develops tables, reports, and presentations that yield insights to the country’s changing racial and ethnic diversity. While at the Census Bureau, Jones has authored numerous reports on the American Indian and Alaska Native population, the Asian population, the Black population, the Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander population, and the multiple-race population in the United States.

Jones was part of the team of Census Bureau experts who provided leadership and guidance for the 2010 Census Alternative Questionnaire Experiment. He provided important insights for the design and development of the AQE questionnaires, reinterview study, and focus group project, as well as overall research and analysis.

Over the past decade, Jones conducted extensive research on race reporting patterns and demographic characteristics of multiple-race children and interracial families and was honored by American Demographics magazine as one of the top young demographers to watch for his research on the multiracial population. Jones also earned two Department of Commerce Bronze Medal Awards for the review and analysis of race data from the 2000 and 2010 censuses.

Jones received a bachelor's degree in sociology and anthropology from St. Mary's College of Maryland, and a master's degree in sociology from the University of Michigan. He lives in Baltimore, MD, with his wife and two daughters.

Howard K. Koh, M.D., M.P.H.
Assistant Secretary for Health
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Dr. Howard K. Koh is the Assistant Secretary for Health for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. He oversees 14 core public health offices — including the Office of the Surgeon General and the US Public Health Service Corps — as well as 10 regional health offices across the nation and 10 Presidential and Secretarial advisory committees.
As the Assistant Secretary for Health, he is dedicated to the mission of creating better public health systems for prevention and care so that all people can reach their highest attainable standard of health.

A former Commissioner of Public Health for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Dr. Koh was also a professor and associate dean for Public Health Practice at the Harvard School of Public Health, as well as Director of the Harvard School of Public Health Center for Public Health Preparedness.

A graduate of Yale College (where he was president of the Glee Club) and Yale School of Medicine, Dr. Koh also has a Master's Degree in Public Health from Boston University and is board-certified in four specialties. He has published more than 200 articles in the medical and public health literature and is the recipient of numerous awards for accomplishments in medicine and public health, including the Distinguished Service Award from the American Cancer Society and numerous commendations for his groundbreaking work in tobacco prevention and control. In 2003, he was also named a “Medical All Star” by the Boston Red Sox for his contributions to the field of early detection and prevention of melanoma — an honor that allowed him to throw out the ceremonial first pitch at Fenway Park.

Herb K. Schultz was appointed by President Obama in April 2010 to be the Regional Director of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Region IX. He brings a wealth of experience from the public, private, and non-profit sectors.

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Mr. Schultz ensures that close contact is maintained by HHS Region IX with federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial/Pacific Island governmental officials on a wide range of health and social service issues. He also works extensively with external, non-governmental individuals and organizations.

He served as Senior Advisor to Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and Director of the California Recovery Task Force from 2008-2010. Prior, he served as the Senior Health Policy Advisor to Governor Schwarzenegger during California’s 2006-2008 state debate on comprehensive health care reform.

Mr. Schultz served as a member of former Gray Davis’ Cabinet as head of California’s Labor and Workforce Development Agency in 2003.

Mr. Schultz received his BA in Political Science and International Studies from The American University in and has a Masters Degree in Public Policy from Georgetown University, both in Washington, D.C.

Fa‘auuga To‘oto‘o, J.D.
Circuit (Oahu) Court Judge, 19th Division

Fa‘auuga To‘oto‘o is an O‘ahu First Circuit Court Judge, and a former District Court judge in the state of Hawaii. He was appointed for his current seat in 2010 by Gov. Linda Lingle and approved by the Hawaii State Senate. Judge To‘oto‘o was appointed to District Court in 1994 and prior to that he was a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for the City and County of Honolulu for ten years. Past associations include: Director on the Board of the Kamehameha Schools, Medical Director, Kamehameha Schools, a position he feels very fortunate to have been offered following a career with Kaiser Permanente Hawai‘i as a Family Physician. He serves on the Board and is a past president of `Ahahui o na Kauka, and has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Polynesian Voyaging Society since that time. He currently serves as Hawaii. He has served as crew member/physician on four voyages of Hokule`a, the first in 1980 from Tahiti to Hawai‘i, and to the organization of Native Hawaiian physicians. Government service includes serving in Vietnam with the United States Marine Corps and later with the Hawai`i Army National Guard.

Dr. Wong is one of the first Native Hawaiians to graduate from the John A. Burns School of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco, and is board-certified in Family Medicine. He has held leadership positions in Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau) with whom the U.S. Government has formal treaty relationships relating to Public Health.

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**David R. Williams, Ph.D., M.P.H.**
Florence Sprague Norman & Laura Smart Norman Professor of Public Health
Professor of African and African American Studies of Sociology
Harvard University

David R. Williams is the Florence and Laura Norman Professor of Public Health, and Professor of African and African American Studies and of Sociology at Harvard University. His previous academic appointments were at the University of Michigan and Yale University. He is an internationally recognized authority on social influences on health. He has special expertise in socioeconomic and racial disparities in health, the effects of racism on health and the ways in which religious involvement can affect health. The Everyday Discrimination scale that he developed in one of the most widely used measures of discrimination in health studies. He is the author of more than 300 scientific papers and was ranked as the Most Cited Black Scholar in the Social Sciences in 2008. He is an elected member of the Institute of Medicine and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He has served on the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics and on seven panels for the Institute of Medicine, including the committee that prepared the Unequal Treatment report. Dr. Williams has also played a visible, national leadership role in raising awareness levels of the problem of health disparities and pointing to interventions to address them. This includes his work as the staff director of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s Commission to Build a Healthier America and as a key scientific advisor to the award-winning PBS film series, Unnatural Causes: Is inequality Making Us Sick? Currently, he directs the Lung Cancer Disparities Center at Harvard.

**Nathan A. K. Wong, M.D.**
Medical Director, Kamehameha Schools

Dr. Wong is one of the first Native Hawaiians to graduate from the John A. Burns School of Medicine, University of Hawaii. He has served as crew member/physician on four voyages of Hokulea, the first in 1980 from Tahiti to Hawai‘i, and has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Polynesian Voyaging since that time. He currently serves as Medical Director, Kamehameha Schools, a position he feels very fortunate to have been offered following a career with Kaiser Permanente Hawai‘i as a Family Physician. He serves on the Board and is a past president of ‘Aha‘hui o na Kauka, the organization of Native Hawaiian physicians. Government service includes serving in Vietnam with the United States Marine Corps and later with the Hawai‘i Army National Guard.
Plenary Speakers

Juliet Bui
Public Health Analyst
Office of Behavioral Health Equity
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Juliet Bui serves as a Public Health Analyst in the Office of Behavioral Health Equity at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), where she focuses on strategies to address behavioral health disparities. She comes to SAMHSA, an operating division of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, as a Presidential Management Fellow. The Office of Behavioral Health Equity was created in accord with the Affordable Care Act, and works to ensure that diverse populations (culturally, racially and ethnically diverse individuals; sexual minority populations; and other groups vulnerable to behavioral health disparities) have access to high quality behavioral health care. Juliet is currently on detail as Policy Advisor on Health at the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, managing the health portfolio and working to highlight Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) health issues and increase participation in and access to federal programs by underserved AAPIs. Before joining SAMHSA and while completing her graduate studies, Juliet researched workforce policy for the Service Employees International Union Local 721, with a focus on the Los Angeles County social services system. She also interned as a therapist to transition-age youth at the Coalition for Responsible Community Development, a non-profit in South Los Angeles. Prior to graduate school, she worked in the Office of Communications at the Brookings Institution. Juliet holds a B.A. in Sociology and B.A. in Psychology from Rice University, and a Master in Social Work and Master in Public Administration from the University of Southern California.

Virginia S. Cain, Ph.D.
Director of Extramural Research
National Center for Health Statistics

Dr. Cain is Director of Extramural Research at the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). She also serves as the Executive Secretary for the NCHS Board of Scientific Counselors, the primary advisory body to the NCHS.

Prior to coming to NCHS, Dr. Cain was Deputy Director and, for two years, Acting Director of the Office of Behavioral and Social Science Research (OBSSR) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). At OBSSR, she was instrumental in establishing the new office designed to integrate behavioral and social science research more fully into the NIH health research enterprise, thereby improving the understanding, treatment, and prevention of disease.

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A Kupuna’s Perspective and A Call To Action

Aloha kakou. Greetings to all of us. The late Pilahi Paki’s Aloha Chant greets us all and it applies to all native and non-native people present.

I am Winona Kealamapuana Ellis Rubin, a kūpuna (elder), an observer and participant in Native Hawaiian issues over eighty plus years; and I ask your patience and attention to a brief message for your deliberations and actions.

Native Hawaiians and native Pacific Island people speak similar but somewhat different languages. Also, we share basic cultural values and concepts, have had similar experiences with western colonization and currently are experiencing the impact of modern technology and materialism on our lifestyles. Therefore, the following are critical reminders during your deliberations and actions.

ONE: “...Be contemporary of these times but maintain the integrity of your true identity.” (Ahmed Al Bakr). When you understand your roots and who you are, you will be able to better understand others and they will understand you. This basic respectful recognition and communication are critical globally.

TWO: Know that our individual and collective survival depends upon the practice of lōkahi – harmony and balance of the spiritual (not religious), human, and environmental forces of the universe. Without this respectful balance all planning and actions will be weakened. Also, The Almighty has provided each of us with the “essence of greatness” – mana – to carry out our kuleana (responsibilities) in our families, communities, and country.

THREE: No one stands alone: The Almighty, ‘aumakua (ancestors), kūpuna (elders), ‘ohana (family), and others share our passion and mission in life. We are not alone, and there is strength in collaboration.

FOUR: Embody the Spirit of Aloha, as Queen Lili’uokalani defined it: “to hear what is not said, to see what cannot be seen, and to know the unknowable...” Listen with your heart and all your senses, not only with your ears. What is in the kaona (hidden meaning) is significant in decision making.

Certainly, each of you will add to these basic concepts from your own cultural roots.

In this shared context, conferees are (1) charged with increasing the awareness of health disparities affecting native
communities; and (2) challenged with developing interventions and policies that will effectively reduce disparities and strengthen community outcomes.

You individually and collectively have significant experiences, expertise, education, integrity, insights, intelligence, initiative, skills in interpreting and articulating facts and much more. These qualities when focused on conference objectives and magnified by understanding and affirming your roots, by wise use of your mana in achieving lōkahi, by listening, learning, and relating with aloha and by standing together in performing your kuleana – these combined magnified qualities -- are awesome.

Awake to this call for action.  E hiki no!  You can do it!  Mahalo.

Winona Kealamaipuana Ellis Rubin

Honolulu, Hawai‘i

September 24, 2012

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BJ Crawford, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
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Ofa Dewes, The University of Auckland
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Jake Fitiseanu, Utah Island Teens Against Tobacco
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Christina Holub, Institute for Behavioral and Community Health
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Bryan Juan, UH Cancer Center, Cancer Prevention and Control Program
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Trisha Kajimura, Life Foundation
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Suzi Ko, Holistic Honu Wellness Center
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The logo for Envision the Future sets a course for Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander communities. The linear pattern of waves symbolizes their Pacific origins and anchors the bar graph that represents how evidence-based research is essential to achieving health equity. The image conveys and envisions a future of Hope.

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