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Racial Algorithms in Health Care: A We Are Called Film Screening and Discussion

April 26, 2023

1 - 2 p.m. ET

Join CHA and ministry colleagues during National Minority Health Month for a screening of a uniquely transformative short film followed by a moderated discussion with LaRonda Chastang, Trinity Health's Senior Vice President of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. Many believe that technology is impartial and rely on it to eliminate discrimination based on gender, race or other biases that may affect human judgment. However, as data-driven systems become more prevalent in our daily lives, we are becoming more aware of ways these systems can reinforce, rather than eliminate, health inequities.

[Register Today](#)

CHA's Diversity & Health Disparities Networking Zoom Call

June 29, 2023

1 - 2 p.m. ET

Join CHA's networking call for CHA members working to address the issues of diversity, health disparities and health equity. If you have a program to highlight or a discussion topic to suggest for the agenda, please contact Kathy Curran, CHA senior director, public policy.

You can access the February call [here](#) using passcode jyNe7h*3

[Contact Kathy](#)

National Indian Health Board: Maternal Health Tribal Learning Community Series – Cultural Competency and Responsive Healthcare Practices

April 25, May 23, June 27
2 - 3 p.m. ET

The National Indian Health Board, in collaboration with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), is hosting a four-part, virtual webinar series that will build on Tribes and Tribal organization's efforts to address maternal mortality prevention in Indian Country. The first session titled [Sovereignty from First Breath](#) featured the work of the Alaska Native Birthworkers Community and discussed how to connect to support systems.

[Register for the Series](#)

National Institutes of Health: Innovative Approaches to Improve Maternal Health

May 8 - 9, 2023
Bethesda, MD and Virtual

The National Institutes of Health is hosting a hybrid event that brings together technology developers, medical device experts, health care professionals, maternal mortality and morbidity (MMM) researchers, and academic, industry, and community-based partners. The goal is to connect the research community with small businesses that are developing new approaches to improve MMM and its associated health disparities. For in-person participation, register before April 24 and by May 5 for virtual participation.

[Register](#)

CleanMED 2023

May 23-25, 2023
Pittsburgh

Join Practice Greenhealth and Health Care Without Harm for CleanMED, the annual environmental conference that brings together leaders in health care sustainability who are on the leading edge of greening the health care sector. Stakeholders will connect, share, and build upon solutions for a more sustainable, resilient and equitable health care sector.

[Register](#)

Association of American Medical Colleges Center for Health Justice: Maternal Health Equity Workshop: From Story to Data to Action

May 18, 2023
10 a.m. - 3 p.m. ET

This virtual workshop is a follow-up to the center's inaugural Maternal Health Incubator, held in May 2022, which covered the most critical topics impacting maternal health outcomes, particularly among women and birthing people of color and other marginalized populations. Clinical care, research, public and population health, and technology professionals will explore natural language processing for improving qualitative maternal health equity data.

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Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS): Health Equity Conference

June 7 - 8, 2023
Washington, D.C. and Virtual

The inaugural CMS Health Equity Conference, at Howard University, will include both in-person and virtual participation and will convene leaders in health equity from federal agencies, health provider organizations, academia, and community-based organizations. Conference attendees will have the opportunity to discuss promising practices, collaborate on community engagement efforts and hear from CMS's leadership on recent developments and updates on CMS programs.

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National Minority Quality Forum: Data Equity Standardizing Data to Advance the Health Equity Movement

This webinar examined how health inequities and disparities continue to impact historically marginalized communities, including but not limited to African Americans, Hispanics and Asian populations who face poorer health outcomes.

[Watch](#)

National Academy of Medicine: Culture of Health Program Meeting: Impact of Systems on Health Equity

The National Academy of Medicine's Culture of Health Program recently held a 2-day meeting to discuss the significance of understanding the history and systems impact of oppression, racism, and widening racial health disparities and how structural and systemic racism moves through systems to drive health outcomes.

[Learn More](#)

CHA's Health Calls Podcast: Continuing Collaboration in Health Equity

In episode 19, Kathy Curran, CHA's Senior Director of Public Policy, and Ralph McCloud, Director of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Catholic Campaign for Human Development, engage in a thoughtful conversation about the ongoing pursuit of health equity in Catholic health care. Drawing on the first two years of CHA's We Are Called initiative, they explore the pivotal role of Catholic social teaching and offer insights into how to confront challenges like polarization. By the end of the episode, listeners gain a deeper understanding of the multifaceted efforts to promote health equity within Catholic health care.

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Department of Health and Human Services: Black Health Matters Summit

At HHS' first Black Health Summit in Washington, D.C. department officials highlighted federal, state and local efforts to eliminate health disparities and HHS resources to help advance health equity. Presenters included HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra, CMS Administrator Chiquita Brooks-LaSure and Rep. Lauren Underwood, D-III.

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Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services: The Path Forward Improving Data to Advance Health Equity Solutions

CMS' Office of Minority Health webinar on Improving Data to Advance Health Equity Solutions highlighted the current state of health equity data collection, including progress to date and the actions that are being taken to improve health equity data collection across CMS and beyond.

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The New ABCs of CHNAs: Insights from CHRISTUS Health

CHRISTUS Health, working with Metopio and community leaders, used new data tools to develop a comprehensive assessment and action plan to guide their efforts to advance health equity and promote collaboration in 2023 and beyond.

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National Minority Health Month

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of Minority Health (OMH) observes National Minority Health Month each April. This year's theme, Better Health Through Better Understanding, focuses on improving health outcomes for racial and ethnic minorities and AI/AN communities by providing culturally and linguistically competent healthcare services, information, and resources.

[Learn More](#)

Health Resources & Services Administration: Maternal and Infant Health Mapping Tool

This tool provides map-based access to county-level data on maternal health, infant health, and health resources as well as specific data on pre-pregnancy health status, preterm births, infant mortality, access to prenatal care, availability of providers, health insurance coverage, demographics and more.

[Learn More](#)

Rural Health Information Hub: Rural Health Equity Toolkit

This toolkit compiles evidence-based frameworks and promising strategies and resources to support organizations working toward health equity in rural communities across the United States. The modules in the toolkit contain information and resources focused on developing, implementing, evaluating, and sustaining rural programs that focus on health equity.

[Learn More](#)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Tribal Health Website

American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) people experience many health issues more frequently and more severe when compared with other Americans. Historical trauma and socioeconomic conditions are among the many factors that contribute to these disparities. The CDC's Tribal Health Website provides resources and data about health disparities related to AI/AN populations.

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Reports and Resources

[Agency for Health Research and Quality: National Healthcare Quality and Disparities Report](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Health Statistics: Maternal Mortality Rates in the United States](#)

[Commonwealth Fund: U.S. Health Care from a Global Perspective, 2022: Accelerating Spending, Worsening Outcomes](#)

[County Health Rankings & Roadmaps 2023 County Health Rankings Release](#)

[Kaiser Family Foundation: Annual Update of Key Health Data Collection by Race and Ethnicity](#)

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