A Health Equity Approach to Obesity Efforts:
A Workshop

April 1, 2019
The National Academy of Sciences Building
2101 Constitution Avenue, NW Washington, DC
Lecture Room

8:30 AM Welcome
Bill Purcell, Chair, Roundtable on Obesity Solutions

Overview – Stage Setting
8:35 AM Shiriki Kumanyika, Drexel University

Session 1 – Disparities in Obesity Prevalence
8:45 AM Moderator: Shiriki Kumanyika, Drexel University

Cynthia Ogden, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Ann Bullock, Indian Health Service
Maria Rosario (Happy) Araneta, University of California, San Diego

Session Discussion

10:00 AM PHYSICAL ACTIVITY BREAK

Session 2 – Social Determinants of Inequities in Obesity Prevention and Control
10:15 AM Moderators: Vanessa Northington Gamble, George Washington University and Shavon Arline-Bradley, R.E.A.C.H. Beyond Solutions, LLC and The Health Equity Cypher Group

Angela McGowan, US Department of Health and Human Services
Shavon Arline-Bradley, R.E.A.C.H. Beyond Solutions, LLC and The Health Equity Cypher Group
Ruth Zambrana, University of Maryland
Valarie Blue Bird Jernigan, Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences

Session Discussion

12:00 PM LUNCH

Session 3 – Lessons from the Field: Achieving Equity in Obesity through Community/Public Health Approaches
1:00 PM Moderator: Carlos Crespo, Portland State University

Debra Haire-Joshu, Washington University in St. Louis
Pamela Schwartz, Kaiser Permanente
Valarie Blue Bird Jernigan, Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences
Joseph Keawe‘aimoku Kaholokula, University of Hawaii at Manoa

Session Discussion

2:30 PM  PHYSICAL ACTIVITY BREAK

Session 4 – Lessons from the Field: Achieving Equity in Obesity Treatment in Health Care Settings

2:45 PM  Moderators: David Fukuzawa, Kresge Foundation and Jennifer Fassbender, Reinvestment Fund

Melissa Simon, Northwestern University
Marshall Chin, University of Chicago

Session Discussion

3:30 PM  Wrap-Up
Moderator: Bill Dietz, George Washington University

Don Bradley, Duke University School of Medicine
Ruth Petersen, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Marjorie Innocent, NAACP

4:00 PM  Workshop Adjourns

Established in 2014, the Roundtable on Obesity Solutions engages leadership from multiple sectors to solve the obesity crisis. More than one third of adults and 17 percent of children and adolescents have obesity. Cautious estimates suggest that obesity now accounts for almost 10 percent of the national health care budget. Until the epidemic is reversed, obesity will continue to drive rates of chronic diseases and their associated medical costs. Through meetings, public workshops, background papers, and innovation collaboratives, the Roundtable fosters an ongoing dialogue on critical and emerging issues in obesity prevention, treatment, and weight maintenance. The Roundtable provides a trusted venue for enhancing and accelerating discussion, development, and implementation of multi-sector collaborations, and policy, environmental, and behavioral initiatives that will increase physical activity; reduce sedentary behavior; and improve the healthfulness of foods and beverages consumed to reduce the prevalence and adverse consequences of obesity and eliminate obesity-related health disparities.

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