WORKSHOP BIOGRAPHIES
(Alphabetized by Last Name)

Marlon G. Boarnet
University of Southern California
Planning Committee Member
Marlon Boarnet is professor in the Department of Planning, Policy, and Design and the Department of Economics at the University of California, Irvine. He is a renowned authority on urban economics, urban growth patterns, transportation, and regional science, and is an expert in transportation and land use. Dr. Boarnet has served on the National Research Council committee that authored the report “Driving and the Built Environment” and has published extensively in leading journals such as Regional Science and Urban Economics, Environment and Behavior, Urban Studies, Journal of Urban Economics, Journal of Planning Education and Research, National Tax Journal, and Journal of the American Planning Association. He is also co-author of Travel by Design: The Influence of Urban Form on Travel (Oxford University Press, 2001). Dr. Boarnet co-edits the Journal of Regional Science, is an associate editor of the Journal of the American Planning Association, and serves on the editorial boards of the Journal of Planning Literature, Journal of Transport and Land Use, Transport Policy, and previously on Papers in Regional Science. He earned a Ph.D. in public affairs from Princeton University.

Jamie F. Chriqui
University of Illinois, Chicago
Planning Committee Member
Jamie Chriqui is professor in the Division of Health Policy and Administration in the University of Illinois at Chicago’s School of Public Health and senior research scientist at the Institute for Health Research and Policy. She has over 25 years' experience conducting public health policy research, evaluation, and analysis, with an emphasis on obesity, substance abuse, tobacco control, and other chronic disease-related policy issues. Dr. Chriqui’s research interests focus on examining the impact of law and policy on practices, community environments, and individual behaviors/attitudes. In the Bridging the Gap Research program, which ended in June 2016, she directed all state, local, and school district obesity policy research as well as leading the state tobacco control policy research activities. Dr. Chriqui holds an appointment on the Community Preventive Services Task Force for 2016-2021. She served on the Institute of Medicine (IOM) consensus committee charged with Evaluating Progress of Obesity Prevention Efforts, the IOM committee that wrote Accelerating Progress in Obesity Prevention: Solving the Weight of the Nation, and the IOM committee that developed a plan for measuring progress in that prevention effort. Dr. Chriqui holds a B.A. in political science from Barnard College at Columbia University, an M.H.S. in health policy from the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health, and a Ph.D. in policy sciences (with a health policy concentration) from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

Cathy Costakis
Montana State University
Invited Speaker
Cathy Costakis works for Montana State University (MSU)-Bozeman and is a Senior Consultant to the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services’ Nutrition and Physical Activity program (NAPA). NAPA is a statewide obesity prevention program, funded through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). For the past 12 years Cathy has worked on statewide initiatives focused on the connection between public health and community design. In partnership with statewide advisors and mentor counties, Cathy developed the Montana Building Active Communities Initiative (BACI) and works statewide to provide technical assistance and training to cities and towns working to build better places for walking, biking and transit. Multi-sector leadership teams attend a statewide BACI Action Institute annually. Cathy holds a bachelor’s degree in finance from the University of Illinois and a master’s degree in health promotion from MSU-Bozeman.
Jennifer Dill
Portland State University
Planning Committee Member
Jennifer Dill is director of and professor in the Noha A. Toulan School of Urban Studies and Planning, director of the Transportation Research and Education Center, and director of the National Institute for Transportation and Communities at Portland State University. Dr. Dill’s interests include the interactions between transportation, the built environment, and health, particularly, bicycling, walking, and transit. She serves on several journal editorial boards and has served as chair or member on several committees of the Transportation Research Board. Prior to entering academia, Dr. Dill worked for a decade as an environmental planner in California. She earned her Ph.D. in city and regional planning at the University of California, Berkeley and an M.A. in urban planning at University of California, Los Angeles.

Janet Fulton
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Planning Committee Member & Invited Speaker
Janet Fulton is epidemiologist and team lead in the Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Fulton has published nearly 100 scientific articles on the epidemiology of physical activity. The research topics covered to date by her work have included the following: surveillance of physical activity in adults and youth, physical activity and attitudes in children, the levels of physical activity among elementary and middle school children during their physical education classes, weight loss and weight gain prevention among youth, and the association between physical activity and changes in cardiovascular disease risk factors. Dr. Fulton was the science coordinator and a member of the Writing Group for the 2008 Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans and most recently the Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans Midcourse Report: Strategies to increase Physical Activity Among Youth. She also served as a technical consultant to the World Health Organization for the Global Recommendations on Physical Activity for Health. She is the 2010 recipient of the American Heart Association’s Steven N. Blair Award for Excellence in Physical Activity Research. Dr. Fulton is a fellow of the American College of Sports Medicine and the American Heart Association. Her research interests include the epidemiology of physical activity and chronic diseases, the measurement and quantification of physical activity, and population-based promotion of physical activity. Dr. Fulton earned her Ph.D. in epidemiology at the University of Texas-Houston, School of Public Health.

Karen Glanz
University of Pennsylvania
Invited Speaker
Karen Glanz is George A. Weiss University Professor, Professor in the Perelman School of Medicine and the School of Nursing, and Director of the UPenn Prevention Research Center, at the University of Pennsylvania. A globally influential public health scholar whose work spans psychology, epidemiology, nutrition and other disciplines, her research in community and healthcare settings focuses on obesity, nutrition, and the built environment; reducing health disparities; and health communication technologies. Her research, funded for over $40 million over the past 25 years, focuses on cancer prevention and control, theories of health behavior, obesity and the built environment, social and health policy, and new health communication technologies. Her research and publications about understanding, measuring and improving healthy food environments, beginning in the 1980’s, has been widely recognized and replicated. She is a member of the NHLBI Advisory Council and served on the US Task Force on Community Preventive Services for 10 years. Dr. Glanz was elected to membership in the Institute of Medicine (IOM) of the National Academy of Sciences [now the National Academy of Medicine] in 2013. She was designated a Highly Cited Author by ISIH Highly Cited.com, in the top 0.5% of authors in her field over a 20-year period, and was named a Highly Cited Author and one of The World’s Most Influential Scientific Minds 2015 by Thomson Reuters. She earned her M.P.H. (health behavior and health education) from the University of Michigan School of Public Health, Ann Arbor and her Ph.D. (health behavior and health education) from the University of Michigan Rackham School of Graduate Studies, Ann Arbor.
**Governor Parris Glendening**  
_Smart Growth America_  
_Invited Speaker_

Governor Parris N. Glendening is President of Smart Growth America’s Leadership Institute and the Governors’ Institute on Community Design. In these roles Glendening speaks across the country and around the world about smart growth, sustainability, global climate change, land conservation, transit oriented development, and equity. He regularly speaks to environmental advocacy groups, business leaders and professional organizations. Parris Glendening served as Governor of Maryland (1995-2003) where he created the nation’s first state level smart growth program for which he received Harvard University’s Innovations in American Government Award. Prior to being elected governor, Glendening served three terms as elected County Executive of Prince George’s County, MD (pop. 800,000) and ten years as a city and county council member. He was elected president of the Maryland Association of Counties, the Democratic Governors Association, the National Governors Association and the Council of State Governments. For his leadership Governing Magazine twice named Glendening “Outstanding Public Official of the Year,” making him the first ever to receive that prestigious award at both the local and state level. He was a highly regarded professor at the University of Maryland, College Park for 27 years, repeatedly recognized for his innovative, quality teaching and receiving the Regents’ Excellence in Teaching Award. Glendening continues to be involved in the National Academy of Public Administration (NAPA) as an elected Fellow. He has served as Senior Advisor to the President and National Council of the American Society of Public Administration (ASPA). His unique mix of academic, political and non-profit careers has led to numerous public service awards, including ASPA’s Donald C. Stone Award and ASPA’s Hubert H. Humphrey Award.

Glendening lives in Annapolis, MD with his wife Jennifer and their fifteen-year-old daughter, Bri, an accomplished equestrian. His son Raymond, a graduate of West Virginia University, was previously the Political Director of the Democratic Governors Association. He is currently the founder and President of Scarlett Oak Strategies in Washington, DC. Born in New York and raised in Florida, Governor Glendening holds a doctorate degree in Government and Politics from Florida State University as well as eight honorary degrees.

**Sara Hammerschmidt**  
_Urban Land Institute_  
_Invited Speaker_

Sara Hammerschmidt is Senior Director, Content at the Urban Land Institute, where she develops content and programs focused on the impact of the built environment on public health through the Building Healthy Places Initiative. Throughout her career, Sara has done extensive work on issues that lie at the intersection of health and the built environment. Previously, she worked at PolicyLink in Oakland, California, researching the inclusion of social and economic equity into projects, plans, and policies that are being implemented at the intersection of health and the built environment. Sara has spoken on the topics of Health Impact Assessment, the role of urban planning in creating healthier cities, and recommendations for incorporating health into all built environment decision making at several national conferences. She also holds a B.S. in Industrial Operations and Engineering from the University of Michigan, and worked for eight years in the technology industry prior to graduate school. Sara holds an M.S. and Ph.D. in Community and Regional Planning from the University of Texas at Austin, where her research focused on developing recommendations for how planning departments across the country can incorporate public health considerations into their work.
Kimberley Hodgson  
*Cultivating Healthy Places*  
**Planning Committee Member**

Kimberley Hodgson is founder and principal consultant of Cultivating Healthy Places, an international consulting business specializing in community health, social equity, and resilient food systems planning. As a certified planner and health professional, her work focuses on conducting policy-relevant research and providing technical assistance to the public and private sectors related to the design and development of healthy, sustainable places. Since founding Cultivating Healthy Places in 2012, Ms. Hodgson has provided guidance to the City of Lawrence and Douglas County, Kansas and the City of Vancouver, British Columbia on the development and implementation of local level policies to support and enhance the local food system; co-developed a community agriculture plan for an area in Delta, British Columbia; researched the management and productive reuse of vacant properties in Philadelphia, Baltimore and Cleveland for the Metropolitan Institute at Virginia Tech; and conducted a healthy aging and built environment policy scan in Vancouver for the Centre for Hip Health & Mobility at the University of British Columbia. She is the author of *Planning for Food Access and Community-Based Food Systems*, co-author of *Urban Agriculture: Growing Healthy Sustainable Places and Principles of a Healthy, Sustainable Food System*. Ms. Hodgson also served on multiple national advisory committees related to health and the built environment and provided expertise to First Lady Michelle Obama’s Childhood Obesity Prevention Task Force on food systems and food access. She holds an undergraduate degree from New York University in pre-medicine, a M.S. in food policy and applied nutrition from Tufts University, and a Master of Urban and Regional Planning with a specialization in community health and sustainability from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Ms. Hodgson is also a certified planner and registered dietitian.

Marjorie Innocent  
*NAACP*  
**Planning Committee Member & Roundtable Member**

Marjorie Innocent is senior director of health programs of the NAACP. As senior director, Dr. Innocent leads the development and management of the NAACP’s policy and programmatic agenda to reduce health disparities and improve health outcomes for African Americans and other communities of color in alignment with organizational strategy. She is responsible for establishing the NAACP health department as a resource and standing expert in national and international health policy and public education arenas in order to advance the NAACP’s policy agenda around health issues. Dr. Innocent also collaborates with internal and external colleagues to advance public discourse about the intersection of health and other social issues impacting populations of color, including education, community development, and criminal justice. In addition, she leads the health team’s efforts to work with research, technology, and communications staff to develop reports and other internal and external narratives and/or analytical documentation relating to program and project activities and results, with careful attention to pursuing program and project goals. As a health policy professional, Dr. Innocent’s experience includes: vice president, Programs, Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc., Washington, DC; evaluation specialist, Department of Shared Accountability, Montgomery County Public Schools, Rockville, MD; research associate, Center for Applied Research and Technical Assistance, Inc., Baltimore, MD; and director, Maryland School-Based Health Center Initiative, Governor’s Office for Children, Youth and Families, Baltimore, MD. She has published numerous articles and writings covering various health and education-related topics. Dr. Innocent received a B.A. in political science and French literature from Columbia College, Columbia University and a Ph.D. in health policy and management from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.
Shiriki Kumanyika
Drexel University

Roundtable Member & Invited Speaker
Shiriki Kumanyika is Emeritus Professor of Epidemiology at the University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine, and Research Professor in the Department of Community Health & Prevention at the Dornsife School of Public Health at Drexel University. Dr. Kumanyika has a unique interdisciplinary background that integrates epidemiology, nutrition, social work and public health methods and perspectives. The main themes in her research concern prevention and control of obesity and other diet-related risk factors and chronic diseases, with a particular focus on reducing the prevalence and health burdens of obesity in black communities. In 2002, Dr. Kumanyika formed the African American Collaborative Obesity Research Network (AACORN), a national network of academic scholars and community research partners who generate and translate research on nutrition, physical activity, and weight issues in African American children and adults. AACORN now has its national office at the Dornsife School. Dr. Kumanyika is a Past President of the American Public Health Association and has served in numerous advisory roles related to public health research and policy in the U.S. and abroad. She is currently co-chair of the Policy & Prevention Section of the World Obesity Federation, a member of the Lancet Commission on Obesity, and a nutrition advisor to the World Health Organization. Dr. Kumanyika has served on the Food and Nutrition Board and a number of National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine study committees, such as the Committee for Prevention of Obesity in Children and Youth (member), the Committee on Progress in Preventing Childhood Obesity (as a volunteer consultant), the Committee on an Evidence Framework for Obesity Prevention Decision Making (chair), and the Committee on Accelerating Progress in Obesity Prevention (member). Dr. Kumanyika also chaired the Standing Committee on Childhood Obesity Prevention from 2009 until its retirement in 2013. She received her M.S in social work from Columbia University, Master of Public Health from Johns Hopkins University, and Ph.D. in human nutrition from Cornell University. She is a member of the NAM.

Shai J. Lauros
LISC (Local Initiatives Support Corporation)

Invited Speaker
Shai Lauros is National Health Program Director at LISC National (Local Initiatives Support Corporation) and oversees the health and community development initiatives of the organization, spanning national efforts and local work with over 30 cities and 2000 rural counties across 44 states. Ms. Lauros has worked in the private, public and non-profit sectors in planning, design, development, community health and sustainability. Trained professionally as both an architect and planner with a focus on sustainable community development, Shai has been working on the intersections between these issues for over fifteen years. Shai’s previous consulting and advisory work spanned strategic planning, development and policy initiatives with a focus on sustainability and equity to create local and regional economic generators and healthy environments. This work includes the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s Invest Health initiative with The Reinvestment Fund and Bennett Midland, as well as several sustainable community development projects in New York. Shai has publicly presented on the issues of community development, public health, equitable development, strategic planning and redevelopment, affordable housing policy, and the use of metrics in sustainability initiatives. Shai holds a Msc. RUP (Regional and Urban Planning) from the London School of Economics and Political Science, M.Arch. (Architecture) from Columbia University, and a B.A. degree from Barnard College/Columbia University, and has taught site planning and social and economic geography at Temple University and CUNY-NYC College of Technology.
Steve Lavrenz  
_institute of Transportation Engineers_  
*Invited Speaker*  

Steven Lavrenz is a Technical Programs Specialist for the Institute of Transportation Engineers. In this role, he also oversees the technical services program for the National Operations Center of Excellence. Dr. Lavrenz works on a number of projects at ITE involving active transportation, context-sensitive design, and transportation safety. He is the staff liaison for the ITE Vision Zero Task Force, and the recently-launched Transportation and Health Task Force. Dr. Lavrenz's research background is in traffic safety, operations, and infrastructure management, and has a number of committee involvements and peer-reviewed publications in these areas. He received his B.S. and M.S. in Civil Engineering from Iowa State University, and a Ph.D. in Civil Engineering from Purdue University.

Kellie May  
_in National Recreation and Park Association_  
*Planning Committee Member & Roundtable Member*  

Kellie May is Director of Health and Wellness at the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) and has a demonstrated background in helping local park and recreation agencies implement strategies to improve healthy eating and increase physical activity. For the past three years, Ms. May has lead NRPA’s initiative to implement healthy eating and physical activity standards in out of school time programs at local park and recreation agencies. Ms. May has been with NRPA for over six years and oversees the strategic direction of health and wellness programs at NRPA. Prior to joining NRPA, Ms. May worked at SHAPE America, previously the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance, where she worked to increase physical activity for young children. She has more than ten years of experience managing health and physical activity programs and has a M.T.A. (Master of Tourism Administration) in sport management from The George Washington University.

Leslie Meehan  
_in Tennessee Department of Health_  
*Invited Speaker*  

Leslie Meehan oversees the Office of Primary Prevention in the Commissioner’s Office of the Tennessee Department of Health. Her focus is increasing physical activity through the built environment as the foremost way to combat the state’s largest health issues. Previously, Ms. Meehan served ten years as the Director of Healthy Communities for the Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in Tennessee. At the MPO, she focused on the intersection of transportation and health, specifically, transportation’s impacts on physical activity, air quality and injury. Her work has been recognized nationally and internationally. Ms. Meehan is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners, the Institute of Transportation Engineers, the Association of Bicycle and Pedestrian Professionals and the Tennessee Public Health Association. She co-authored the Transportation Sector of the National Physical Activity Plan, served as expert advisor on the U.S. Department of Transportation and CDC Transportation and Health Tool, was appointed by Transportation Secretary Peters to the National Safe Routes to School Task Force and has presented at a White House event on Transportation and Health. She currently serves as a panel member on the National Academies: National Cooperative Highway Research Program’s Research Roadmap for Transportation and Health.
Myeta Moon
United Way Worldwide
Planning Committee Member & Roundtable Member
Myeta Moon is Director of Health at United Way Worldwide. In her role at United Way Worldwide, Ms. Moon directs and supports the development and implementation of health impact strategies for mobilizing communities. She has spent much of her career in the nonprofit and government sectors, with a focus on improving community health in urban environments. Previously, Ms. Moon was the director of City Initiatives at KaBOOM!, a national non-profit dedicated to ensuring that all kids have the balanced and active play needed to thrive. In this capacity, she oversaw efforts to encourage cities to utilize play to address urban challenges with program, policy, and infrastructure interventions. As part of her work, Ms. Moon managed the Playful City USA, a national program that recognizes the efforts of cities working to increase play access in their communities. Prior to joining KaBOOM!, she was the associate vice president of Health for the United Way of New York City. While there, Ms. Moon was instrumental in developing and implementing program to policy initiatives that addressed issues of food and nutrition in low income New York City communities. Before United Way of NYC, she was an assistant legislative representative for the New York City Mayor’s Office. She advocated on behalf of the City’s Health and Human Services agencies to the New York State Legislature, Governor’s Office, and New York State agencies. Ms. Moon holds a B.A. from the University of Virginia and a M.P.H. from Columbia University.

Michelle Nance
Centralina Council of Governments
Invited Speaker
Michelle E. Nance is the Planning Director for the Centralina Council of Governments, providing planning services to nine counties in the greater Charlotte region. She directs the Council’s work related to land use and transportation, healthy community initiatives, energy and the environment. Her work is focused on helping local governments address shared, long-term issues through collaboration and partnerships. She co-founded the Centralina Health Solutions Center, one of two coalitions in the southeast to receive the American Planning Association’s Plan4Health grant, and currently manages the statewide NC Planners4Health initiative. Michelle is the former Director of Planning and Development Services for the city of Gastonia, and has experience in state, regional, and local government planning. She is a past president of the NC Chapter of the American Planning Association, was named the 2014 Health Champion for Active Living by the Region 4 Community Transformation Grant Project Team, was honored as one of the 2017 50 Most Influential Women in the Charlotte region, and was named 2017 Woman of the Year by the Mecklenburg Times. Michelle holds a Master of Public Administration and B.S. in Urban and Regional Planning from East Carolina University.

Russell Pate
University of South Carolina
Planning Committee Member & Roundtable Member
Russell Pate is professor of exercise science at the Norman J. Arnold School of Public Health, University of South Carolina, Columbia. Dr. Pate’s research interests and expertise focus on physical activity measurement, determinants, and promotion in children and youth. He also directs a national postgraduate course aimed at developing research competencies related to physical activity and public health. Dr. Pate is involved in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention–funded Prevention Research Center at the University of South Carolina. His research includes studies on preschoolers’ physical activity levels and how schools can influence these levels, as well as multicenter trials on the promotion of physical activity among middle and high school-age girls. Dr. Pate was a member of the Physical Activity Guidelines Advisory Committee of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and served on the 2005 Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee. He is a past president of both the American College of Sports Medicine and the National Coalition on Promoting Physical Activity. Dr. Pate served as a member of several physical activity and obesity-related committees at the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine including the standing Committee on Childhood Obesity Prevention and was the chair of the Committee on Fitness Measures and Health Outcomes in Youth. He received a Ph.D. in exercise physiology from the University of Oregon.
Sue Polis  
National League of Cities  
Invited Speaker & Roundtable Member  
Sue Pechilio Polis is responsible for directing the health and wellness portfolio for the National League of Cities (NLC) as part of the Institute for Youth, Education and Families. The portfolio includes efforts to combat childhood obesity and build a culture of health through the strong engagement of mayors and city leaders. Prior to the National League of Cities, Mrs. Polis led the development and management of the Trust for America’s Health (TFAH) external relations and strategic partnership efforts in support of the organization’s public policy goals. She oversaw the development of the web-based Healthy Communities Navigator tool and multi-sector stakeholder efforts to improve community health. Prior to joining TFAH, Mrs. Polis worked at AARP on health and financial security-related issues with an emphasis on legislative advocacy campaigns, strategic planning and evaluation. Mrs. Polis was the first National Director of Grassroots Advocacy for the American Heart Association. She was responsible for the development and implementation of a five-year strategic plan that led to significant growth of the organization’s advocacy capacity in support of public policy objectives at the federal and state levels. Mrs. Polis background also includes consulting on health, environmental and tobacco-related issues campaigns and overseeing political programs for a life insurance industry trade association. Mrs. Polis began her career in New Jersey as a paralegal with the firm of Crummy, DelDeo, Dolan, Griffinger and Vecchione and is a graduate of Seton Hall University with a major in political science.

Bill Purcell  
Farmer Purcell & Lassiter  
Invited Speaker & Roundtable Chair  
Bill Purcell is an attorney in Nashville, Tennessee and an adjunct Professor of Public Policy at Vanderbilt University. While serving as Mayor of Nashville (1999 to 2007), his accomplishments as a civic leader earned him Public Official Of the Year honors in 2006 from Governing Magazine. Elected to five terms in the Tennessee House he held the positions of Majority Leader and Chair of the Select Committee on Children and Youth. After retiring from the General Assembly, Mr. Purcell founded and became Director of the Child and Family Policy Center at the Vanderbilt Institute of Public Policy Studies. From 2008 to 2010 he served as Director of the Institute of Politics at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. He was then appointed Special Advisor and co-Chair of the Work Team for Allston in the Office of the President at Harvard University. He previously served in various capacities on the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine’s obesity-related committees including the Committee on an Evidence Framework for Obesity Prevention Decision Making (member), Vice Chair of the Committee on Accelerating Progress in Obesity Prevention, and as a member of the Standing Committee on Childhood Obesity Prevention. He graduated from Hamilton College and Vanderbilt University School of Law.

Rodrigo Siqueira Reis  
Washington University in St. Louis  
Invited Speaker  
Rodrigo Reis is a professor of public health and chair of the urban design and public health MPH specialization at Washington University in St. Louis. Dr. Reis has previously worked as a professor at the Pontifical Catholic University of Parana and at the Federal University of Parana, in Curitiba, Brazil. His research focuses on physical activity and public health, with particular interest in community interventions for promoting physical activity, built environment and health, active transportation and health, and physical activity surveillance. His policy and research experience includes working as consultant for the Brazilian Ministry of Health in the development and monitoring of the National Plan for Combating Non Communicable Diseases in Brazil, and being involved in international projects, such as Project GUIA (Guide for Community in Latin America), International Physical Activity and Environment Network and CDC physical activity courses in Latin America. Dr. Reis is also a founder member and the former President of the Brazilian Society for Physical Activity and Health and also current Board Member at the International Society for Physical Activity and Health. He part of the Lancet Physical Activity Series Group who has developed a series of studies published in the summer of 2012 and 2016 and also a co-author of Urban Design and Public health series published in the summer of 2016 at The Lancet.
Daniel A. Rodríguez  
*University of California, Berkeley*  
**Invited Speaker**  
Daniel Rodríguez is Chancellor’s Professor in the Department of City and Regional Planning at University of California, Berkeley. His research focuses on the reciprocal relationship between the built environment and transportation, and its effects on the environment and health. He is currently involved in several studies examining the built environment and health outcomes in several countries. Dr. Rodríguez’s research has been funded by the National Institutes of Health, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Wellcome Trust, the U.S. Department of Transportation, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, among others. He has a distinguished publication record, including co-authoring the book *Urban Land Use Planning* (University of Illinois Press). He serves in the editorial board of the *Journal of the American Planning Association*, *International Journal of Sustainable Transportation*, *Journal of Architectural Planning and Research*, *Journal of Transportation and Health*, and the *Journal of Transport and Land Use*. Dr. Rodriguez earned his M.S. from MIT and his Ph.D. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

James Sallis  
*University of California, San Diego*  
**Planning Committee Member & Roundtable Member**  
James Sallis is distinguished professor of family medicine and public health at University of California, San Diego. Dr. Sallis’ primary research interests are promoting physical activity and understanding policy and environmental influences on physical activity, nutrition, and obesity. He has made contributions in the areas of measurement, correlates of physical activity, intervention, and advocacy. Dr. Sallis’ health improvement programs have been studied and used in health care settings, schools, universities, and companies. He is the author of more than 600 scientific publications, co-author of several books, and a member of the editorial boards of several journals. Dr. Sallis is a frequent consultant to universities, health organizations, and corporations worldwide. Dr. Sallis is a member of the National Academy of Medicine. He received his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Memphis State University.

Giselle Sebag  
*Center for Active Design*  
**Planning Committee Member**  
Giselle Sebag is Vice President of Programs at the Center for Active Design. She is a healthy and sustainable development specialist with experience designing and managing multidisciplinary urban development and health initiatives. Ms. Sebag has demonstrated experience building strategic cross-sector programs and partnerships to promote healthy, resilient and inclusive homes, workplaces, communities and cities worldwide. Her areas of expertise include urban planning, international development and cooperation, and global public health. Previously, she was head of built environment at the Clinton Global Initiative. Ms. Sebag earned a M.P.H. at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health.

James Siegal  
*KaBOOM!*  
**Invited Speaker**  
James Siegal is CEO of KaBOOM!, the national non-profit that seeks to give children the childhood they deserve filled with balanced and active play, so they can thrive. Prior to KaBOOM!, James served as Chief of Staff for the Corporation for National and Community Service, the federal agency that supports citizen engagement to address community challenges through AmeriCorps, the Social Innovation Fund and other programs. James has broad experience in the public, private and non-profit sectors, including serving as Vice President of Nonprofit Programs and Practice at the leading non-profit coalition, Independent Sector. He also served as Registration Section Chief and Assistant Attorney General at the New York State Attorney General’s Charities Bureau and associate at the global law firm Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison. James and his wife enjoy spending time on the playground with their three young girls. He is a graduate of Princeton University and Harvard Law School.
Patricia Smith
Reinvestment Fund
Invited Speaker & Roundtable Member
Patricia Smith serves as senior policy advisor for Reinvestment Fund, a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) dedicated to creating economic opportunity for low-income people and places through the innovative use of capital, data and partnerships. Ms. Smith is responsible for Reinvestment Fund’s federal policy agenda. In 2009, she helped to launch the Healthy Food Financing Initiative, a national campaign which to date has yielded over $197 million in federal investments to improve access, expand the supply, and increase the demand for fresh and healthy foods in rural and urban communities. She works with a range of partners and is a well-regarded resource to the private, public and philanthropic sectors on healthy food access programs. During her career, Ms. Smith has held leadership positions in the foundation, government and nonprofit sectors and managed award-winning community development capacity-building programs. She is a contributor to several Reinvestment Fund reports, most recently, Feeding the Line or Ending the Line? Innovations among Food Banks in the United States (2016). Ms. Smith was also featured in the PBS documentary: Philadelphia: The Holy Experiment, Edens Lost and Found: How Ordinary Citizens Are Restoring Our Great American Cities. She holds a B.A. from Mount Holyoke College and J.D. from George Washington University Law Center.

Monica Hobbs Vinluan
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
Invited Speaker & Roundtable Member
Monica Hobbs Vinluan is a Senior Program Officer for Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Monica joined RWJF in 2015 as part of the childhood obesity team. Her work focuses on supporting policy strategies to help children attain their optimal physical, social and emotional development and well-being. Prior to joining the Foundation, Monica directed YMCA of the USA’s Healthier Communities Initiatives, which catalyzed nearly 250 community and state level leadership teams to advance policies that allow people to make healthy choices where they live, work, learn, pray, and play. Monica has spent her career advocating for strategies that help individuals and communities to live well, including policy issues connected to physical activity, healthy eating, and health equity. She has served as a government relations professional on a variety of health and well-being issues for eighteen years and has been a professional advocate for health promotion issues for more than two decades. Her experience includes working for a U.S. Senator, serving as a child and family advocate, a Regulatory Counsel, and Legislative Counsel, and lobbyist. She completed her J.D. at the American University Washington College of Law and graduated with a bachelor’s degree in Political Science from Virginia Tech.

Kimi Watkins-Tartt
Alameda County Health Department
Invited Speaker
Kimi Watkins-Tartt serves as the Deputy Director of the Alameda County Public Health Department. Ms. Watkins-Tartt is responsible for the oversight of the department’s operational divisions which include Family Health Services, Community Health Services, Public Health Nursing and Communicable Disease Control and Prevention. Additionally, Ms. Watkins-Tartt oversees the management of internal department policies, program budget, grant coordination and personnel management. Ms. Watkins-Tartt has worked for over 25 years within the local public health community and brings a wealth of experience in public health administration, policy development, as well as community health planning and coordination. Prior to taking on the role of Deputy Director, Ms. Watkins-Tartt led the Division of Community Health Services, driving the Division’s strategic initiatives including the launching of new efforts that aligned with the department’s strategic direction to achieve health equity. Ms. Watkins-Tartt was instrumental in helping the department design and implement its health equity and local policy efforts and recently spearheaded the department’s first Chronic Disease Prevention Planning process. Ms. Watkins-Tartt has a long standing passion and commitment to health equity and social justice. She is a founding member and current Internal Capacity Committee co-chair for the Bay Area Regional Health Inequities Initiative (BARHII) and has recently joined the Health Equity and Social Justice Committee of the National Association of City and County Health Officials (NACCHO).
Ken Wilson  
*Perkins+Will*  
**Invited Speaker**

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