

Maternal Health Disparities: The Women Behind the Data

A 5-Part Webinar Series



FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2024

AGENDA

Purpose

This event is the fifth and final public webinar organized by the [Standing Committee on Reproductive Health, Equity, and Society](#) of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine with support from the [Global Forum on Innovation in Health Professional Education](#). Topics for discussing maternal health disparities are framed by the social determinants of health, in areas such as mental health, the work of doulas, implicit bias, community-based organizations and models, active-duty service women, and trust in health care. A proceedings-in-brief, *Maternal Health Disparities: The Women Behind the Data*, will be published by National Academies Press summarizing the five-part webinar series.

In this webinar, speakers will discuss the importance of earning the trust of persons served within maternal health care and leveraging health professional education to raise awareness of the problem and propose potential solutions. The session will be publicly broadcasted [HERE](#).

TRUST IN HEALTH CARE

12:00–12:05 **Welcome & Opening Remarks**

Yvette Roubideaux

Member, Standing Committee on Reproductive Health, Equity, and Society; and Adjunct Professor, Department of Health Systems, Management, and Policy, Colorado School of Public Health

12:05–12:10 **Framing the Discussion**

Karen A. McDonnell

Associate Professor, Milken Institute School of Public Health, The George Washington University

12:10–12:55 **Moderated Roundtable Discussion**

Moderator: Niraj Chavan

Associate Professor, Dept. of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Women's Health, Saint Louis University School of Medicine, Program Director – Maternal Fetal Medicine Fellowship, Medical Director – Women and Infant Substance Help (WISH) Center, SSM Health

Roundtable Discussants:

Carla S. Alvarado

Director of Research, Center for Health Justice Research Professor, Association of American Medical Colleges

Lucinda Canty

Associate Professor of Nursing; Director, Seedworks Health Equity in Nursing Program, University of Massachusetts Amherst

Ayesha Jaco

Executive Director at West Side United

Jules Javernick

CHOICE/Ascend Program Coordinator; Associate Professor, Loretto Heights School of Nursing, Regis University

Noelene K. Jeffers

Assistant Professor, Johns Hopkins School of Nursing

Maria J. Romo-Palafox

Assistant Professor, Department of Nutrition and Dietetics, Saint Louis University

Summary Remarks

Carla S. Alvarado

Director of Research, Center for Health Justice Research Professor, Association of American Medical Colleges

12:55–1:00

Closing

Karen A. McDonnell

Associate Professor, Milken Institute School of Public Health, The George Washington University

1:00pmET

MEETING ADJOURNS