

JOINT WEBINAR

VOTING & HEALTH: OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPAND INCLUSION

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This webinar is a companion to the webinar hosted on August 31, 2021, [Voting and Health: Evidence and New Tools for Action](#), as it builds on the growing understanding of the important relationship between [inclusive voter participation and positive health outcomes](#). It will be jointly hosted by the National Academies Roundtable on Population Health Improvement, the [American Public Health Association](#), [Vot-ER](#), [The Network for Public Health Law](#), and [Healthy Democracy Healthy People](#).

This event will:

- Review policies and approaches that impact voter registration, the first critical step to voter participation
- Outline the current landscape of challenges and opportunities in registering the hardest-to-reach populations
- Explore innovative ways to promote voter registration, such as automatic voter registration specifically through state Medicaid programs
- Close with a Q&A and calls to action that encourage health and public health actors to promote registration innovation and full democratic inclusion

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BIOSKETCHES

Jessica Barba Brown, is a senior advisor for the Healthy Democracy Healthy People Initiative. In 2020, she launched and directed We Can Vote, a nonpartisan coalition working to ensure the elections were safe, secure, and successful in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic. We Can Vote partnered with leading public health associations to create and promote Healthy Voting Guides for all 50 states, the District of Columbia, voting territories and for Americans abroad. Prior to helping launch We Can Vote, Barba Brown was the CEO of the Voter Participation Center, the nation's largest mail program for voter registration and mobilization of underrepresented communities. She also served as Managing Director for the advocacy division at Planned Parenthood Federation of America and the organization's largest "defunding" battle in its 100-year history and served as National Director of Communications and Organizational Development at Enroll America, the nation's foremost health care enrollment coalition during the launch of the Health Care Marketplaces.

Adam Fox, M.A., is deputy director of the Colorado Consumer Health Initiative (CCHI). Fox joined the Colorado Consumer Health Initiative (CCHI) in July 2011 at the start of state implementation of the Affordable Care Act. As CCHI's deputy director, he directs and coordinates policy, communications, and organizing activities to advance CCHI's strategic plan and organizational goals. Fox cultivates relationships with health care stakeholders, policymakers, and government officials to advocate for policy priorities that benefit consumers and center racial equity in health care. Prior to joining CCHI, Fox facilitated health programs and Medicaid/CHP+ enrollments for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver. He earned his M.A. in International Policy Studies in 2009 and his B.A. in International Studies, Anthropology, and Spanish.

Daniel Meuse, M.B.A., has spent more than a decade in Rhode Island government managing elections, developing policy, and navigating state leadership through the health care debates and the implementation of the Affordable Care Act. He then joined the faculty at Princeton University where he serves as a lecturer in Public Affairs and expert on health care policy. Meuse serves as a consultant to the Center for Secure and Modern Elections where he helps states navigate the intersection of updated voter registration systems and state health care systems. Meuse received his B.A. from Brown University and his M.B.A. from Providence College with highest honors.

Alex Reardon is a Vot-ER Civic Health Fellow and serves on the Research and Policy teams at Vot-ER. His academic focus is on quantifying the impact of healthcare-based voter registration efforts like Vot-ER's and describing how civic engagement could be a meaningful path to addressing the social determinants of health. Reardon is a fourth-year medical student at the University of Michigan Medical School and a graduate of the University of Michigan at Dearborn. As a Michigan native, a first-generation college graduate, and currently receiving his healthcare through Medicaid, Reardon has experienced firsthand how our politics, policy, and governance shape our health - and how an inclusive democracy is critical to solving health inequities faced by vulnerable families across the country.

Neal Ubriani, J.D., is the Policy and Research Director for the Center for Secure and Modern Elections (CSME), where he works on voter registration modernization policy at the state level. At CSME, Ubriani helps states develop, improve, and implement systems for automatic voter registration, online voter registration, and voter list maintenance. Before joining CSME, he was a trial attorney in the Voting Section at the U.S. Department of Justice, where he worked on cases involving compliance with federal voting law, including the National Voter Registration Act. Ubriani is a graduate of Yale University and Columbia Law School.