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**COVID-19, Health Equity, and the Asian American,
Pacific Islander, and Native Hawaiian Communities:
A Virtual Workshop**

AGENDA | December 7 & 9, 2021
12:30 – 3:30 pm Eastern Time

Workshop Objectives | will explore: the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and hate crimes targeting Asian populations on their health and wellbeing, including vaccination and testing participation rates, mental health consequences, access to cultural and linguistically competent services; and lessons learned from the long history of bias against the AA/PI/NH communities.

Tuesday, December 7
Day 1: The Myth Constructed

12:30 - 12:40 pm ET **Introduction**

Winston Wong
UCLA-Kaiser Permanente Center for Health Equity

12:40 – 12:45 pm

Victor Dzau
President, National Academy of Medicine

12:45 - 1:20 pm

Keynote Speaker

Howard Koh
Harvard University
*Toward Healing and Health Equity for Asian Americans, Native
Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders*

Moderator
Winston Wong

1:20 - 1:30 pm

Discussion

1:30 - 2:30 pm

Panel 1: Historical Overview of the Model Minority

Moderator
Melissa Simon
Northwestern University

Speakers

Nadia Islam
NYU Grossman School of Medicine
NYU Langone Institute for Excellence on Health Equity

Brittany Morey
University of California, Irvine

Sheri Daniels
Papa Ola Lōkahi

2:30 - 2:40 pm

Break

2:40 - 3:40 pm

Panel 2: The Conundrum of Data and Data Aggregation

Moderator

Ernest Moy
Office of Health Equity
Department of Veterans Affairs

Speakers

Karthick Ramakrishnan
University of California, Riverside

Karla Thomas
UCLA

Xinqi Dong
Rutgers University

3:40 pm

Wrap up and closing comments

Thursday, December 9
Day 2: Deconstructing the Myth

12:30 - 12:45 pm ET

Introduction

Winston Wong
UCLA-Kaiser Permanente Center for Health Equity

12:45 - 1:30 pm

Keynote Speaker

Helen Zia
Author, Journalist, Activist
Asian American Dreams: The Emergence of an American People

Moderator
Winston Wong

(Discussion time included)

1:30 - 2:30 pm

Panel 3: Impact of Racism on COVID-19 Outcomes for the AA/NH/PI Communities

Moderator
Michelle Wong
Center for the Study of Healthcare Innovation,
Implementation & Policy (CSHIIP)
VA Health Service Research & Development

Speakers
Andy Subica
University of California Riverside

Tavae Samuelu
Empowering Pacific Islander Communities (EPIC)

2:30 - 3:15 pm

The Future and Ways Forward

Moderator
Karla Thomas
UCLA

Speaker
Juliet K. Choi
Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum

3:15 - 3:30 pm

Final comments, wrap up, audience questions

Workshop Planning Committee | Ernest Moy (Office of Health Equity, Department of Veterans Affairs), Melissa A. Simon (Northwestern University), Karla Thomas (UCLA's Center for Health Policy Research), Michelle Wong (Center for the Study of Healthcare Innovation, Implementation & Policy (CSHIIP), VA Health Service Research & Development), Winston Wong (UCLA-Kaiser Permanente Center for Health Equity).

Note: The planning committee's role is limited to planning the workshop. A proceedings based on the workshop will be prepared by staff.

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