Educating Health Professionals to Address the Social Determinants of Health

Committee

Sandra D. Lane

Chair

Sandra D. Lane, Laura J. and L. Douglas Meredith Professor of teaching excellence, is a professor of public health and anthropology at Syracuse University and a research professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Upstate Medical University. She received her Ph.D. in medical anthropology from the joint program at the University of California at San Francisco and Berkeley, and an M.P.H. in epidemiology from the University of California at Berkeley. Her research focuses on the impact of racial, ethnic and gender disadvantage on maternal, child, and family health in urban areas of the United States and the Middle East. In addition to the Meredith award, she received the Carl F. Wittke Award for Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching and the John S. Diekhoff Award for Distinguished Graduate Teaching, both at Case Western Reserve University. Lane has developed a model that links the community-participatory analysis of public policy with pedagogy, called CARE (Community Action Research and Education). Her CARE projects include food deserts in Syracuse, lead poisoning in rental property, health of the uninsured, and her current project on neighborhood trauma and gun violence. Her CARE publications since joining the Syracuse University faculty have included as co-authors 5 community members, 10 graduate students and 11 undergrads. Prior to joining Syracuse University, Lane was the founding director of Syracuse Healthy Start, an infant mortality prevention program, in Syracuse, New York. With Dr. Richard Aubry she developed an intervention for screening and treating pregnant women for bacterial vaginosis that was associated with a 50% reduction in premature births in Syracuse ("Evaluation of Syracuse Healthy Start's program for abnormal flora screening, treatment, and rescreening among pregnant women, Syracuse, New York, 2000-2002," (2011) Maternal and Child Health Journal, 15(7):1020-8.) She led a community-wide health literacy initiative that resulted in a 75% reduction of post neonatal deaths among women who had not graduated from high school. ("Parental Literacy and Infant Health: An Evidence-Based Healthy Start Intervention," (2006) Health Promotion Practice, 7(1):95-102.) She secured grant funding to support the development of the Onondaga County Child Fatality Review Team and served as a member from 1997-2004. She has also been a consultant to the World Health Organization for operational research on tuberculosis, UNFPA and UNICEF for Rapid Assessment Procedures, and the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) for qualitative methods in hospital evaluation. From 1988-1992, she was the Child Survival, Reproductive Health and Population Program Officer, in the Ford Foundation's Cairo, Egypt field office, with grant-making responsibility for Egypt, Sudan, Jordan, Lebanon, Yemen, and the West Bank and Gaza.

Jorge Delva

Member

Jorge Delva, a native of Chile, is Professor of Social Work and Associate Dean, School of Social Wo0rk at the University of Michigan. He conducts research focusing on addressing and reducing health disparities and helping improve the lives of low-income and racial and ethnic minority populations. His research began in Honolulu two decades ago where he worked on SAMHSA-funded projects aimed at improving the health and mental health of Asian and Pacific Islander children and their families. His more recent state and NIH funded projects show his dedication to combating health disparities. His work has served to advance the substance abuse field's understanding of psychosocial-cultural mechanisms associated with substance using behaviors among Hispanic/Latino, African American, and American Indians of lower socio-economic position in the United States and with disadvantaged populations in Latin America.

Julian Fisher

Member

Julian Fisher is an experienced policy advisor specialising in public health and the environment. Work experience in a diverse range of professional environments and geographical locations, covering Europe, Tanzania, South Africa, Saudi Arabia, Falkland Islands and Antarctica within various sectors and organizations, including international public health policy and advocacy, health profession (federation) management, undergraduate and post graduate education, both classroom and web based. Currently based at the Medical School Hannover working in a consultancy co-operation with the World Health Organisation. Dr. Fisher earned his BDS (Dentistry) from Birmingham University in 1985, his MSc (HIV/AIDS) from Stellenbosch University in 2002, and his MIH (International Health) from Charite University in 2006.

Bianca K. Frogner

Member

Bianca Kiyoe Frogner is an Associate Professor in the Department of Family Medicine and Director of the Center for Health Workforce Studies in the School of Medicine at the University of Washington. Dr. Frogner is a NIH-trained health economist with expertise in health workforce, labor economics, health spending, health insurance coverage and reimbursement, international health systems, and welfare reform. She has published in leading health care journals such as Health Affairs, Health Services Research and Medical Care. Dr. Frogner has been funded by the National Institute of Mental Health, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, and Health Resources and Services Administration. Prior to joining UW, Dr. Frogner was an Assistant Professor in the Health Services Management and Leadership Department in the Milken Institute School of Public Health at The George Washington University (GW) from 2009 to 2015. At GW, she was the Deputy Director of the Health Workforce Research Center. Dr. Frogner completed a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health in 2009. Dr. Frogner received her PhD in health economics at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health in 2008. She received her BA at University of California, Berkeley in Molecular and Cell Biology in 2001.

Cara V. James

Member

Cara James is the Director of the Office of Minority Health at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Prior to joining the Office of Minority Health at CMS, Dr. James was the Director of the Disparities Policy Project and the Director of the Barbara Jordan Health Policy Scholars Program at the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, where she was responsible for addressing a broad array of health and access to care issues for racial and ethnic minorities and other underserved populations, including the potential impact of the Affordable Care Act, analyses of state-level disparities in health and access to care, and disparities in access to care among individuals living in health professional shortage areas. Prior to joining the staff at Kaiser, she worked at Harvard University and The Picker Institute. Dr. James is a member of the Institute of Medicine’s (IOM) Roundtable on the Promotion of Health Equity and the Elimination of Health Disparities and has served on several IOM committees including the Committee on Leading Health Indicators for Healthy People 2020. She has published several peer-reviewed articles and other publications, and was a co-author for one of the background chapters for the IOM Report Unequal Treatment. Cara received her Ph.D. in Health Policy and her A.B. in Psychology from Harvard University.

Malual Mabur

Member

Dr. Malual Mabur is a graduate of a Medical School in Khartoum, Sudan. He obtained his masters degree in Tropical Medicine and International Health from University of London in the United Kingdom. Dr. Mabur received his post-graduate diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene from the Royal College of Physicians of London. He moved to the United States in 2010 and is preparing to sit for the United States Medical Licensing Exam. He has worked in different fields oversees and within the United States. He currently works as Health Promotion Specialist and Community Health Outreach Worker with the City of Portland, Maine. His work is focused on serving the access and navigation needs of the Arabic speaking communities in Portland. Dr. Mabur position is funded by a HRSA, NEPQR grant administered by the University of New England and also through CHANNELS (Community, Health, Access, Network, Navigate, Education, Leadership, and Service) which aims to improve immigrant and refugee health in Maine through innovations in team based care.

Laura Magana Valladares

Member

Dr. Laura Magaña Valladares has a bachelor degree in Education, a Master Degree in Educational Technology and a Ph.D. in Educational Administration from Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C. She is a certified trainer in the cognitive programs of the Hadassah-Wizo-Canada Research Institute of Israel. Magaña Valladares has more than 30 years dedicated to higher education in public and private universities in Mexico; educational organizations in United States; United Nations programs and NGO’s in Central America and Europe. Among her multiple positions are the following: Advisers' Coordinator in the Special Education Department of Mexico State; Educational Consultant for UNICEF; Dean of the school of education University of the Americas; Executive Director of the Mexican-American Institute of Cultural Affairs; Consultant for the International Educational Programs, Denmark Government; General Academic Coordinator, Anahuac University; Educational Consultant, Easter Seals, Michigan, USA; Dean, School of Education and Human Development, La Salle University. She has also been a teacher, trainer and lecturer in diverse forums in national and foreign Universities. For the last ten years she has been the Academic Dean of the National Institute of Public Health in Mexico leading the most important educational and technological innovation of the school in its 92 years of existence having a regional impact. Her research interest is in learning environments and the use of technology in education. She is member of the National System of Researchers of Mexico (SNI), and the State System of Researchers (SEI). Magaña Valladares is an active member in community educational organizations such as: Mexican Association for the gifted and talented; The International Net for the Education of the deaf person; board member of the College of Arts and Sciences at Oakland University, EUA; Executive board member of Troped; Active member of the International Advisory Committee (IAC) of Public Health Global and President of the Capacity Building Committee GEMNet, among others.

Spero M. Manson

Member

Spero M. Manson, (Pembina Chippewa), a medical anthropologist and Professor of Psychiatry, heads the American Indian and Alaska Native Programs at the University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center. His programs include 9 national centers, totaling $65 million in sponsored activities which entail research, program development, and training among 102 Native communities, spanning rural, reservation, urban, and village settings. Dr. Manson has published 160 articles on the assessment, epidemiology, treatment, and prevention of physical, alcohol, drug, as well as mental health problems in this special population. A member of the Institute of Medicine, he has received numerous awards including 3 Distinguished Service Awards from the IHS (1985; 1996; 2004), the prestigious Rema Lapouse Mental Health Epidemiology Award from the APHA (1998), two Distinguished Mentor Awards from the Gerontological Society of America (2006; 2007), the Herbert W. Nickens Award from the AAMC (2006), and the George Foster Award for Excellence from the Society for Medical Anthropology (2006). Dr. Manson received his Ph.D. in anthropology from the University of Minnesota.

Adewale Troutman

Member

Dr. Adewale Troutman is Professor and Associate Dean for health Equity and Community Engagement at the University of South Florida. He has an M.D. from New Jersey Medical School, a Masters in Public Health from Columbia University, Masters in Black Studies from the State University of New York in Albany, and as of October 2009, board certification from the National Board of Public Health Examiners. He is a residency trained Family Physician graduating from residency at the Medical University of South Carolina. His career has included clinical emergency medicine, hospital administration,academic and public health practice. He served as an Associate Professor in the University of Louisville’s School of Public Health and Information Sciences while directing the Metro Louisville Department of Public Health and Wellness. His experience includes special consultancies with the World Health Organization in Thailand and Japan, health assessment missions in Angola, Jamaica and Zaire and training in India and Austria. His commitment to Justice has evolved into his nationally recognized efforts to create health equity and the supremacy of the social determinants of health, the founding of the first Center for Health Equity at a local health department and the creation of the Mayors Healthy Hometown Movement. He is also credited with the passage of one of the strongest anti-smoking ordinances in the country. Troutman serves a member or past member of the National Board of Public Health Examiners, the Academy for Health Equity, the Health and Human Services Secretary’s Advisory Committee on Health Promotion Disease Prevention Healthy People 2020, the Health and Human Services Secretary’s Advisory Committee on Infant Mortality, the Board of Directors of Public Health Law and Policy, the Executive Board of the American Public Health Association the African American Heritage Center and the National Association of County and City Health Officers.

Antonia M. Villarruel

Member

Dr. Antonia M. Villarruel is Professor and the Margaret Bond Simon Dean of Nursing at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing. Internationally renowned for her leadership in policy, practice and research, Dr. Villarruel is a former board member of the AAN and was elected to the IOM in 2007. Prior to becoming dean, Dr. Villarruel was a professor, the Nola J. Pender Collegiate Chair and the associate dean for research and global affairs at the University of Michigan School of Nursing. She also held a joint faculty appointment in the School of Public Health and was director of the school's WHO Collaborating Center for Research and Clinical Training in Health Promotion Nursing. She led interdisciplinary and multi-school strategic planning processes to help the University of Michigan integrate the research, education, practice and global missions of the school, the health system and the university. Her efforts to support nursing faculty in developing research programs led to a steady increase in funding from the NIH. Among her national leadership roles, Dr. Villarruel is a former board member of the AAN, a board member of the IOM Board on Population Health, and co-chair of the IOM Roundtable on the Elimination of Health Disparities and the Promotion of Health Equity. She received her Ph.D. in nursing from Wayne State University.