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94th Annual Meeting and Conference

May 1-3, 2024

GPHA SILENT AUCTION

The Georgia Public Health Association's Silent Auction is a great way to help ensure the Association can continue to advocate for conditions in which all people and communities can be healthy; promote the scientific foundation of public health practice and policy; and assure a continuous voice broadly representing public health in Georgia.

Scan the QR code to explore our silent auction and bid on your favorite items in just a few taps.



**Lighting the Way
to a Healthier Georgia**

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Lighting the Way to a Healthier Georgia

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Dear Georgia Public Health Association Conference Attendees,

It's always an honor for us to host GPHA attendees. As the state's largest public health gathering of students, public health employees and community partners, we are pleased to welcome you all back to the beautiful Golden Isles for the Georgia Public Health Association 2024 Annual Meeting and Conference.

I may be slightly biased, but what better place to share ideas and collaborate about public health than a place like Jekyll Island that provides so much respite, relaxation, and recreation to ensure you're in the best headspace possible to plan public health initiatives and advocacy to support our great state.

I hope this year's conference is productive and that you continue to build off that productivity when you leave the coast to head back to your respective homes. I also hope that you'll be able to take some time out of your busy schedules to enjoy some of the Island's recreational offerings.

Thank you for your service to the residents of Georgia and enjoy your stay on Jekyll Island.

Sincerely,

Mark P. Williams

Executive Director, Jekyll Island Authority



WELCOME

to the 94th annual GPHA Conference



Dear Public Health Colleagues:

On behalf of the Georgia Public Health Association's (GPHA) executive board, I want to welcome you to our 94th Annual Meeting and Conference! We are delighted that you have chosen to take the time to join us here on beautiful Jekyll Island.

GPHA's annual conference is an opportunity to come together as an organization to connect, learn, and reinvigorate. Public health is a diverse field, made up of government, academic and community organizations. GPHA is the natural and needed venue for those varied groups to work together towards their shared mission of making Georgia a place where everyone can be healthy.

This year's conference theme is "Lighting the Way to a Healthier Georgia." The conference includes three pre-conference workshops, nearly 70 posters, 65 educational sessions, three amazing plenary speakers, and countless opportunities to network with other professionals. For the second year in a row, this conference is "sold out," reaching our capacity of 550 registrants. That kind of enthusiasm is a testament to the value that GPHA brings to its members.

It has been a great honor to serve as president of GPHA over the last year. This experience has reinforced my respect and appreciation for the many people who work to make this organization a success. Their efforts, along with your participation, will help GPHA achieve greater things in the future as it lights the way to a healthier state. I hope you take advantage of all GPHA has to offer and that you leave Jekyll Island with new ideas and a renewed passion for public health.

Sincerely,

Stephen Goggans, MD, MPH, FACP
President, GPHA

About GPHA

The Georgia Public Health Association is a non-profit corporation and is organized for the purpose of promoting the public and personal health of the citizens of Georgia.

GPHA VISION STATEMENT

Healthy Georgians, Living in Healthy Communities

The premier association committed to excellence in public health practices throughout Georgia.



MISSION

- » To advocate for conditions in which all people and communities can be healthy.
- » To promote the scientific foundation of public health practice and policy.
- » To assure a continuous voice broadly representing public health in Georgia.

PRINCIPLES

Public health is what everyone in the community does to improve health.

WE BELIEVE IN:

- » Collaboration/partnership
- » National public health practice standards
- » Community development
- » Population-based practice
- » Cultural competency
- » Prevention/health promotion
- » Diversity and inclusivity
- » Science-based practice
- » Ethical behavior
- » Social justice
- » Membership development & systems thinking
- » Involvement
- » Workforce development

Bylaws

To see the proposed amendments to the Bylaws of the Georgia Public Health Association, please scan the QR Code, or visit www.GaPHA.org.



GPHA Leadership 2023–2024

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Executive Committee

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Jack Bernard
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Representative At-Large

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Immediate Past President

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Secretary Catina Lumpkin

Health Education & Promotion

Chairman Cristina Gibson
Vice-Chairman Rhonda McLeod
Secretary Beonca Brown

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Vice-Chairman Vacant
Secretary Vacant

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Secretary Missy Mullis

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Chairman Patricia Anafi
Vice-Chairman Janae Mitchell
Secretary Cynthia Bivins

Medical - Dental

Chairman Jorge Bernal
Vice-Chairman Dwayne Turner
Secretary Sandra Vincent

Nutrition

Chairman Courtney Underwood
Vice-Chairman Gwenna Egart
Secretary Tameka Watson

Nursing

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Vice-Chairman Cindi Hart
Secretary Rebecca Kershner

BOH

Chairman Jack Bernard
Vice-Chairman Peggy McGee
Secretary Connie Thrift

Academic

Chairman Bill Mase
Vice-Chairman Angie Peden
Secretary Yvette Daniels

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Chairman Zynith Robinson
Vice-Chairman Betty McCall
Secretary Unsona Tate

Communications

Chairman Sally Silbermann
Vice-Chairman Courtney Sheeley
Secretary Katie Hadden

GPHA Leadership 2023–2024

COMMITTIES

Awards

Tiffany Crowell RN, MSN/MBA

DPH Liaison

Yvette Daniels, JD

Finance

Treisha Johnson, MPH

Historian

Vacant

Jim Alley Fund

Vacant

Legislator Educator

Scott Maxwell, ABJ

Marketing & Publicity

Vacant

Membership

Vacant

Memorials

Patrina Bowles

Nominating

Jimmie H. Smith, Jr., MD, MPH

Policy & Advocacy

Amber Erickson, DrPH, MPH &
Carla Coley, REHS

Sellers-McCroan

Jimmie H. Smith, Jr., MD, MPH

Silent Auction

Patrina Bowles

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Raymona Lawrence, DrPH, MPH,
MCHES, E-SCA

Annual Conference Planning Committee

Angie Peden, MPH

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2024 Policy Positions

GPHA supports programs and funding to protect and promote the public's health throughout the state, including:

- » Maintaining sufficient funding of county health departments through the Grants-to-Counties formula.
- » Salary enhancements to promote recruitment, retention and succession efforts for public health staff.
- » Support for legislative discussion and efforts that would significantly expand the number of Georgians eligible to participate in the Medicaid program.
- » Financial and other incentives for primary care professionals to practice in Georgia, especially in rural areas.
- » Support of telehealth, telemedicine and teledentistry initiatives that improve public health.
- » Support for legislative efforts to amend the definition of sexually transmitted infections (STI) in Georgia law and allowing the expansion of the DPH Commissioner's standing prescriptive authority to include Post Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP).
- » Support for legislative efforts that strengthen food safety laws and DPH rules for restaurants and mobile food vehicles.
- » Support for legislative efforts adding a significant excise tax to the sale of tobacco products.

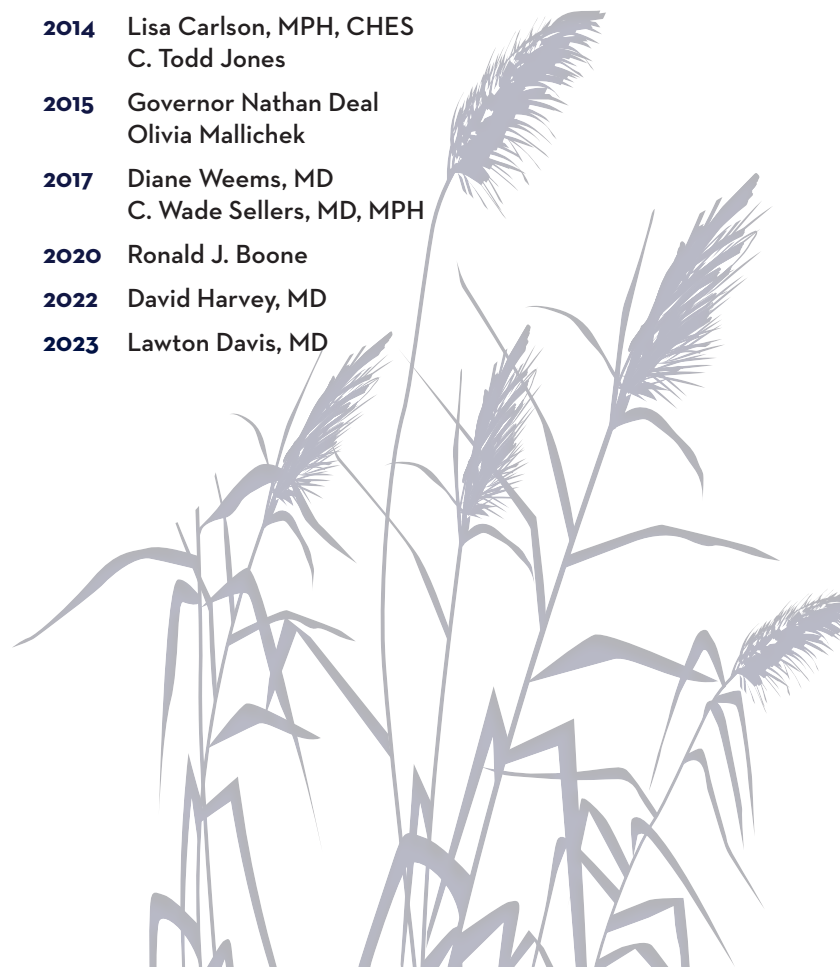
GPHA Past Presidents

1929 J. D. Applewhite	1966 William Johnson, DDS	2003 Paul J. Wiesner, MD
1930 H. L. Akridge	1967 Mark R. Harbison	2004 Lynne Feldman, MD, MPH
1931 G. T. Crozier	1968 Thomas F. Gibson	2005 William C. Fields, MBA
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1957 L. G. Lenert	1994 Margaret Bean	
1958 Ernest B. Davis	1995 Virginia Galvin, MD	
1959 J. F. Hackney, MD	1996 Dee Cantrell, MD	
1960 C. Dexter Kimsey	1997 Kathleen Miner, PhD	
1961 T. O. Vinson, MD	1998 Susan Butler, EdD	
1962 Carl Fox	1999 Jannell Knight, MSA	
1963 Dorothy Barfield	2000 Ecleamus L. Ricks, MPH	
1964 A. Faegin Parrish	2001 J. Paul Newell, MD	
1965 Hart S. Odom, MD	2002 Lisa M. Carlson, MPH, CHES	



GPHA Honorary Members

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| 1950 | Dr. Guy S. Lunsford | 2002 | Marie Dobbs Barnes
Russ Toal, MPH |
| 1951 | Mildred Selman
Charles L. Tinsley | 2003 | Pamela K. Thompson
Kathy Miner |
| 1954 | Dr. Herbert G. Schenck | 2004 | Nova Jane McCombs, MSN
Carol C. Smith, RN, BSN |
| 1955 | Janie F. Morris | 2005 | J. Paul Newell, MD
Paul J. Wiesner, MD |
| 1961 | Louva G. Lenert | 2006 | Ted Holloway, MD
Rosemarie B. Newman |
| 1964 | Dr. Thomas F. Sellers, Sr | 2007 | William C. Fields, MBA
Michael E. Chaney |
| 1965 | Mayola S. Carter | 2008 | J. Ferrell Curlee
Lynne D. Feldman, MD, MPH |
| 1966 | Annie J. Taylor | 2009 | Janelle R. Knight, MSA
Kathleen E. Toomey, MD |
| 1975 | Dr. John Venable
Calvin Buchanan | 2011 | Gary Nelson, PhD |
| 1976 | Dr. T. O. Vinson
Dr. Robert J. Walker | 2012 | Regina Abbott, MPA
Robert V. Taylor |
| 1978 | A. Faegin Parrish
Laura E. Bramblett
Myrtle F. Tomlin
Dr. John E. McCroan, Jr. | 2013 | Christy Sims, RN, APRN, WHNP-BC |
| 1984 | David Clark | 2014 | Lisa Carlson, MPH, CHES
C. Todd Jones |
| 1984 | Louise Clark | 2015 | Governor Nathan Deal
Olivia Mallichek |
| 1985 | Dr. Wilbur D. Lundquist | 2017 | Diane Weems, MD
C. Wade Sellers, MD, MPH |
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| 1987 | Dr. Douglas Skelton | 2022 | David Harvey, MD |
| 1988 | Ruth B. Melber, MA. | 2023 | Lawton Davis, MD |
| 1989 | Maggie M. Kline, MA. | | |
| 1990 | Rex Poole | | |
| 1991 | Bill Mahaffey
Eugenia (Mickie) Mobley | | |
| 1992 | Harry L. Carr | | |
| 1993 | Dr. James C. Crutcher | | |
| 1994 | Dr. Norman B. Pursley
Audrey Hollingsworth | | |
| 1996 | Dr. Joseph Wilbur
Marie Edmondson | | |
| 1997 | Barbara Shurling | | |
| 1998 | E. Joseph Alderman, DDS
Dee Cantrell, PNC, PhD | | |
| 1999 | Ecleamus L. Ricks, MPH
Margaret J. Park | | |
| 2000 | Margaret Bean, BSN, MS, MN | | |
| 2001 | Patricia H. Southwell | | |





General Conference Information

PURPOSE OF THE ACTIVITY

The goal of the 2024 Georgia Public Health Association (GPHA) Annual Meeting & Conference is to assemble public health professionals, students, County Board of Health members, and stakeholders for networking and educational opportunities to support the mission and vision of GPHA—to advocate for conditions in which all people and communities can be healthy; to promote the scientific foundation of public health practice and policy; and to assure a continuous voice broadly representing public health in Georgia. In particular, learners will gain knowledge of current research and practice from around the state of Georgia and will participate in discussions related to the conference theme, “Lighting the Way to a Healthier Georgia.” Participants will receive information, resources, and access to exhibitors to allow them to engage with others in the public health workforce, explore avenues to protect and promote the health of all people in all communities, promote efforts to achieve equity and promote policies, systems, and overall community conditions that enable optimal health for all.

OBJECTIVES

Objective #1: To examine methods for strengthening public health departments, programs, and community infrastructures to care for our citizens across Georgia.

Objective #2: To provide networking opportunities to light the way to a healthier Georgia.

Objective #3: To connect participants with researchers focused on public health concerns & promote collaboration.

Objective #4: To improve the competencies of public health practitioners through skill building.

TARGET AUDIENCE

The 2024 GPHA Annual Meeting & Conference targets all registered nurses, all physicians, all health educators, advanced practice registered nurses and all public health professions.

REGISTRATION

Registration is located at the Marshside Registration area of the Jekyll Island Convention Center. All conference participants are required to check in with GPHA staff to receive a name badge and conference materials. ALL registrants must provide their own email address at check-in as part of the CE accreditation requirements regardless of their intent to apply for CEUs. Exhibitors will check-in at the Oceanside Registration area of the convention center.

REGISTRATION HOURS

Wednesday, May 1 & Thursday, May 2: 7:30 AM–5:00 PM
Friday, May 3: 7:30 AM–11:00 AM

WORKSHOPS

The 2024 schedule is on pages 12–16. Detailed workshop session descriptions can be found on pages 23–55.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

For attendees interested in receiving CE, please visit the Marshside Registration Desk for instructions on obtaining CME, CNE, and CHES credit. All registrants will receive an email within a week after the conference with instructions for completing the CEU evaluation. The evaluation will be open for six weeks and is set to close on June 14th. The deadline will be clear in the instructions from the system. **NOTE:** CHES/MCHES requires the email address registered with NCHES to match that given at check-in.

SECTION MEETINGS

GPHA Section Meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, May 1, 1:45PM to 3:15 PM and 3:30 to 5:00 PM. Not sure which section you'd like to join? Attend a meeting of your choice!

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Poster Presentations are located in the Exhibit Hall. Authors will be available to answer questions during the President's Reception. Poster titles can be found on pages 19 and 20

EXHIBITS

The GPHA Exhibit Hall is located in the Ballroom.

GPHA EXECUTIVE BOARD

The 2023-2024 GPHA Executive Board will hold its final meeting Wednesday, May 1 at 9:00 AM in Room 5. The first meeting of the 2024-2025 GPHA Executive Board will be Friday, May 3 at 1:15 PM in Room 5. **All board members, including newly elected officers and section chairs should plan to attend.**

Continuing Education

CONTINUING EDUCATION

How to Obtain CE Credit

Participants must attend the entire session and complete the evaluation online in order to earn credit hours and obtain a CE certificate. A link to the online evaluation system will be sent to all registered participants who attend the activity that will contain instructions and a personal ID number for access to the system. All online evaluations must be submitted by June 14th to receive continuing education credit for this activity.

ACCREDITATION STATEMENTS

Medicine (CME) Accreditation Statement

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education through the joint sponsorship of the American Public Health Association (APHA) and the Georgia Public Health Association. The APHA is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Designation Statement:

The APHA designates this live educational activity for a maximum of 14.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™].

Nursing (CNE) Accreditation Statement

This continuing nursing education activity was approved by the American Public Health Association's Public Health Nursing Section (APHA/PHN), an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

Health Education (CHES) Statement

Sponsored by the American Public Health Association (APHA), a designated approver of continuing education contact hours (CECH) in health education by the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc. This program is designated for Certified Health Education Specialists (CHES[®]) to receive up to 14.5 total Category I contact education contact hours

DISCLOSURES

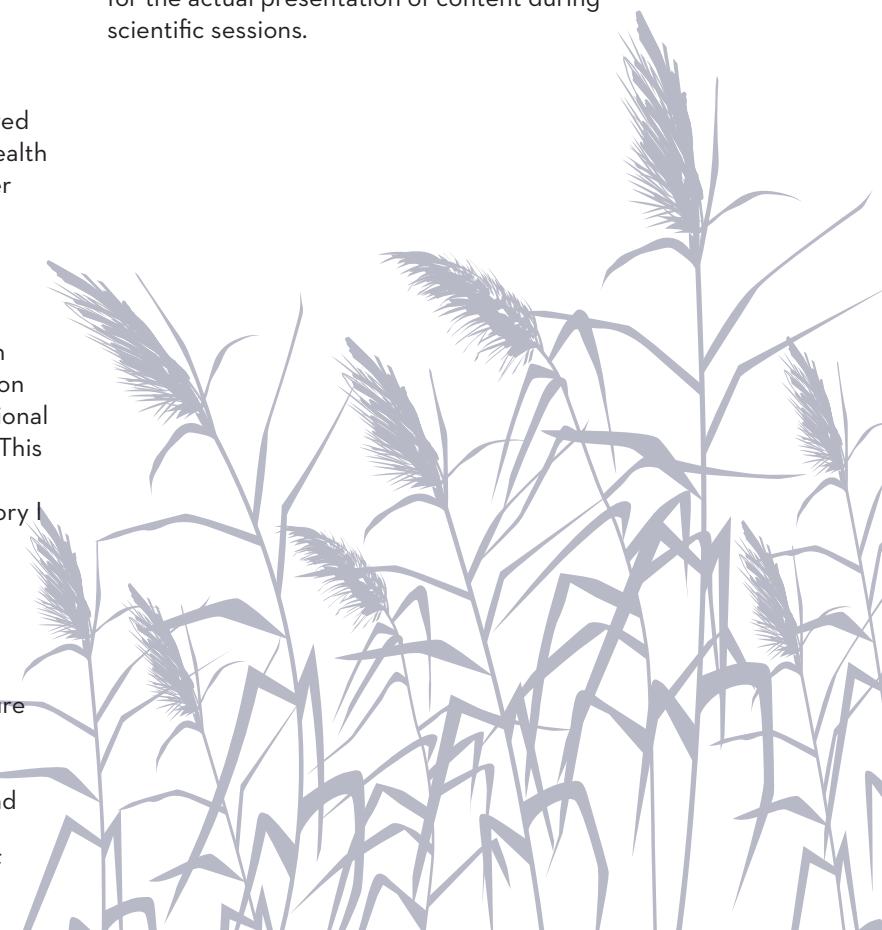
Policy on Disclosures to Learners

The Georgia Public Health Association strives to ensure balance, independence, objectivity and scientific rigor in all of its educational programs. All planners, faculty members, moderators, discussants, panelist and presenters participating in this program have been required to disclose any real or apparent conflict(s) of

interest that may have a direct bearing on the subject matter of this program. This includes relationships with pharmaceutical companies, biomedical device manufacturers or other corporations whose products or services are related to the subject matter of the presentation topic. The intent of this policy is to identify openly any conflict of interest so that the attendees may form their own judgments about the presentation with full disclosure of the facts. In addition, faculty are expected to openly disclose any off-label, experimental and/or investigational uses of drugs or devices in their presentation. Disclosures, Conflict of Interest (COI) and Resolution of COI policies are available via the APHA's website and in the printed program.

Non-Endorsement of Products

As an Accredited Provider of Continuing Education (CE) Credits for Health Education (CHES), Nursing (CNE), Medicine (CME), and Public Health (CPH) the American Public Health Association Center for Professional Development (CPD) Unit and its respective Continuing Education accrediting organizations do not endorse any products or services that are displayed or referred to in conjunction with this activity and are not responsible for the actual presentation of content during scientific sessions.



2024 FUN CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES



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Wednesday
May 1

2-Mile Run/Walk **8:00 AM**

Bring a friend or two or three and meet at the picnic pavilion in front of the Convention Center for a quick 2-mile walk or run.

- Trophy for district with most participants.
- Medal for 1st place walker & 1st place runner.

Thursday
May 2

Tai Chi with Tony **7:00 AM**

Join us for 30 minutes of low-impact meditation in motion to start your day off with positive energy.

- Meet at grassy area beachside.

Thursday
May 2

Beach Clean-Up **4:45 PM**

Help keep our beautiful coast clean!
Come on out for a quick beach trash pick-up.

- Meet at the picnic tables in front of the pavilion.
- All equipment provided.

**May
1-3**

Exhibitor Passport **ONGOING**

Take time out to visit all of the wonderful exhibitors in the Exhibit Hall. Get your passport stamped and win a prize!

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

1:00 - 5:00 P.M. **District Nursing Directors Meeting**
Room 8

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

8:00 A.M. **2-Mile Fun Walk/Run**
Picnic Pavilion/Beach Side of Convention Center

7:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. **Attendee Registration and Check-in Information**
Marshside Registration Desk

Exhibitor & Sponsor Registration and Check-in Information
Oceanside Registration Desk

NEW! Networking Lounge Open
Ben Porter Salon

8:00 A.M. – 11:30 P.M. **Epidemiology Section Pre-Conference Workshop:
Public Health Informatics & the Tools to Visualize Your Data**
Room 8

PRESENTERS: Amber Erickson, DrPH, MPH, Allison Chamberlain, PhD, MS,
Ramona Barnett, MPH, Kristi Thompson, MPH

DESCRIPTION: This pre-conference session is the first in a series of three focused on expanding practitioners' knowledge of and skills in infectious disease analytics and modeling. Featured speakers will introduce informatics concepts and demonstrate tools such as Microsoft Power Apps and Tableau used in this work. This 2024 workshop is ideal for Epidemiologists, District and State Program Managers, IT, Environmental Health, District Health Directors, Academics.

8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. **District Administrator & Program Manager Meeting**
Room 7

9:00 – 10:00 A.M. **GPHA Executive Board Meeting**
Room 5

9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. **Academic Section Pre-Conference Workshop:
Friday Night at the ER Simulation: Systems Thinking
for Healthcare and Public Health**
Ben Porter Salon

PRESENTER: Linda Kimsey, PhD, MHA

DESCRIPTION: The presentation is a 150-minute session of board game simulation in which participants manage a hospital's patient flow for 24 hours, followed by a presentation and debrief to highlight concepts of systems thinking and strategies for using it to improve organizational performance.

10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. **Rural Health and Primary Care Section Pre-Conference Workshop:
Physiology and Psychology of Practice and Benefits for Health**
Room 9

PRESENTER: P. Anthony Gryffin, PhD

DESCRIPTION: An insightful overview and experience of new research in the area of mindful exercise related to the practice of tai chi, from an evidence-based perspective of the physiological and psychological mechanisms of action. The workshop includes aspects of mindfulness as a powerful tool for motivating health action; relevance to self-awareness and self-sabotage; as well as diffusion of innovation theory related to rural health motivation.

Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, May 1, 2024 *Continued*

12:00 – 1:30 P.M. **Lunch / GPHA Business Meeting / Opening Plenary Session**
Ballroom

INVOCATION

Michael Powell, MA

*Executive Director, Pike County Family Connection
Vice Chairman, Pike County Board of Health*

WELCOME

Mark Williams

Executive Director, Jekyll Island Authority

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

Glynn County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard

Made possible by Sheriff Neal Jump

Stephen Goggans, MD, MPH, FACP

*President, Georgia Public Health Association
District Health Director, Northeast Health District*

INTRODUCTION

Jimmie Smith, Jr., MD, MPH

*President-Elect, Georgia Public Health Association
Administrator, Macon Bibb County Health Department*

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Verda M. Colvin, JD

*Georgia Supreme Court Justice
"Lighting the Way to a Healthier Georgia"*

1:30 – 1:45 P.M. **Exhibits / Posters / Silent Auction**
Exhibit Hall POSTERS PG. 19-20

1:45 – 3:15 P.M. **Section Meetings – Round 1**
SECTION MEETINGS PG. 23-24

3:15 – 3:30 P.M. **Exhibits / Posters / Silent Auction**
Exhibit Hall POSTERS PG. 19-20

3:30 – 5:00 P.M. **Section Meetings – Round 2**
SECTION MEETINGS PG. 25-26

5:00 – 5:15 P.M. **Moderator Training**
Ben Porter Salon

5:00 – 6:30 P.M. **President's Reception
Exhibits / Posters* / Silent Auction**
Exhibit Hall

**Authors are required to stand by their posters from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.*

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, May 2, 2024

- 7:00 A.M. – 7:30 A.M. **Tai Chi with Tony**
Grassy Area Beachside
- 7:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. **Attendee Registration and Check-in Information**
Marshside Registration Desk
- Exhibitor & Sponsor Registration & Check-in Information**
Oceanside Registration Desk
- NEW! Networking Lounge Open**
Ben Porter Salon
- 7:30 – 8:30 A.M. **Continental Breakfast***
Exhibits / Posters / Silent Auction
Exhibit Hall POSTERS PG. 19-20
- *Attendees are asked to bring their breakfast into the Ballroom for the General Plenary Session**
- 8:00 – 9:15 A.M. **General Plenary Session**
Ballroom
- INTRODUCTION**
Beverley Townsend, MD, MBA, FAAFP
*Vice President, Georgia Public Health Association
District Health Director, West Central Health District*
- KEYNOTE SPEAKER**
Patrice Harris, MD, MA, FAPA
CEO and Co-Founder, eMed
“Lessons Learned: Public Health Leadership in a Transformed Normal”
- 9:15 – 9:30 A.M. **Exhibits / Posters / Silent Auction**
Exhibit Hall POSTERS PG. 19-20
- 9:30 – 10:00 A.M. **Education Sessions – CONCURRENT SESSION 1A**
SEE PAGES 28-30 FOR SESSION DESCRIPTIONS
- 10:00 – 10:10 A.M. **TRANSITION**
- 10:10 – 10:40 A.M. **Education Sessions – CONCURRENT SESSION 1B**
SEE PAGES 31-33 FOR SESSION DESCRIPTIONS
- 10:40 – 10:55 A.M. **Exhibits / Posters / Silent Auction**
Exhibit Hall POSTERS PG. 19-20
- 10:55 – 11:25 A.M. **Education Sessions – CONCURRENT SESSION 2A**
SEE PAGES 34-36 FOR SESSION DESCRIPTIONS
- 11:25 – 11:35 A.M. **TRANSITION**
- 11:35 A.M. – 12:05 P.M. **Education Sessions – CONCURRENT SESSION 2B**
SEE PAGES 37-39 FOR SESSION DESCRIPTIONS
- 12:05 – 12:15 P.M. **TRANSITION**

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, May 2, 2024 *Continued*

- 12:15 – 1:45 P.M. **Sellers-McCroan Lecture & Award Luncheon**
Ballroom
- INTRODUCTION**
Melissa “Moose” Alperin, EdD, MPH, MCHES
*Principal Investigator and Director, Region IV Public Health Training Center,
Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University*
- KEYNOTE SPEAKER**
M. Daniele Fallin, PhD
*James W. Curran Dean of Public Health, Rollins School of Public Health,
Emory University*
“The Importance of Public Mental Health”
Sponsored by the Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University
- 1:45 – 2:00 P.M. **Exhibits / Posters / Silent Auction**
Exhibit Hall POSTERS PG. 19-20
- 2:00 – 2:30 P.M. **Education Sessions – CONCURRENT SESSION 3A**
SEE PAGE 40-42 FOR SESSION DESCRIPTIONS
- 2:30 – 2:40 P.M. **TRANSITION**
- 2:40 – 3:10 P.M. **Education Sessions – CONCURRENT SESSION 3B**
SEE PAGES 43-45 FOR SESSION DESCRIPTIONS
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Meeting Agenda

Friday, May 3, 2024

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Marshside Registration Desk

Exhibitor & Sponsor Registration & Check-in Information
Oceanside Registration Desk

8:30 – 9:30 A.M. Awards Breakfast
Ballroom

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12:00 – 1:00 P.M. Closing Business Meeting & Passing of the Gavel
Ballroom

1:15 – 2:00 P.M. GPHA Board Meeting
Room 5

Keynote Speakers



Verda M. Colvin, JD
Georgia Supreme Court Justice

Opening Plenary Session

Title: Lighting the Way to a Healthier Georgia

Wednesday, May 1 | 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Justice Verda M. Colvin was appointed to the Georgia Supreme Court by Governor Brian Kemp on July 29, 2021 after having been appointed to the Georgia Court of Appeals by Governor Kemp on April 9, 2020. She is the first African-American female appointed by a Republican Governor. She previously served as a Superior Court Judge in the Macon Judicial Circuit which serves Macon-Bibb, Crawford, and Peach Counties having been appointed by Governor Nathan Deal on April 16, 2014.

Judge Colvin grew up in southwest Atlanta. She received her BA degree from Sweet Briar College in Virginia and her JD from University of Georgia School of Law. Prior to her appointment, she was an Assistant United States Attorney in the Middle District of Georgia. Prior to her service with the federal government, she was an Assistant District Attorney in Clayton County, GA and an Assistant Solicitor in Athens in Clarke County. She also served as Assistant General Counsel at Clarke-Atlanta University in Atlanta, GA. All of this service followed her private practice in Charlotte, NC.

Judge Colvin is committed to service professionally and personally. She is a member of the Macon Bar Association, GABWA (Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys), GAWL (Georgia Association of Women Lawyers), the Rotary-Downtown Club, Macon-Bibb Citizen Advocacy, Georgia Advocacy Advisory Committee, Sweet Briar College Board of Directors, Jack & Jill of America (Macon Chapter), and several Inn of Courts. She serves as Chair of Mount de Sales Board of Trustees and Co-chair of ONE MACON 2.0 as well. She also serves on the Board of Directors for Sweet Briar College and the Board of Trustees for Wesleyan College. Additionally, she has continually served on various committees in her role as a jurist.

She is the mother of two children, Weston and Taylor. She is married to Nathaniel Walker with whom she shares two adult children, Nathan and Natalie.



Patrice A. Harris, MD, MA, FAPA
CEO and Co-Founder, eMed

General Plenary Session

Title: Lessons Learned: Public Health Leadership in a Transformed Normal

Thursday, May 2 | 8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

Patrice A. Harris, MD, MA, is the CEO and Co-Founder of eMed, a digital healthcare company. She is a board-certified psychiatrist in Atlanta with extensive experience in various healthcare roles, including private practice, public health leadership, & advocacy. Dr. Harris was the 174th President of the American Medical Association, the first African American woman to hold the position. She has deep expertise in public policy at all government levels and is a visiting professor at Columbia University Vagelos College of Physicians and

Surgeons. She also holds adjunct positions at the Emory University Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences and the Morehouse School of Medicine. Additionally, Dr. Harris is a fellow of the American Psychiatric Association

During her tenure with the AMA, Dr. Harris played a crucial role in addressing the opioid epidemic and chaired the AMA Opioid Task Force which worked across every state to eliminate barriers to treatment, provide patients with access to affordable, non-opioid pain care, & fight the stigma faced by those with substance use-disorders. She has held leadership positions with the American Psychiatric Association, the Georgia Psychiatric Physicians Association, the Medical Association of Georgia, & The Big Cities Health Coalition, and serves on various boards, including Quartet Health.

Keynote Speakers

Dr. Harris grew up in Bluefield, WV, and dreamt of entering medicine at a time when few women of color were encouraged to become physicians. She earned her BA in psychology, MA in counseling psychology, and MD from West Virginia University. She completed her psychiatry residency and fellowships in child and adolescent psychiatry and forensic psychiatry at the Emory University School of Medicine. Dr. Harris is renowned for her work in children's mental health, health equity, and health policy, frequently speaking at national conferences and media outlets, including CNN, MSNBC, Fox, and NPR. She has received numerous awards for her leadership and service.



M. Daniele Fallin, PhD

James W. Curran Dean of Public Health, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University

Sellers-McCroan Lecture

Title: The Importance of Public Mental Health

Thursday, May 2 | 12:15 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

Dr. M. Daniele Fallin is the James W. Curran Dean of Public Health at the Rollins School of Public Health. With more than 250 scientific publications that have been cited more than 22,000 times, Fallin's globally-recognized research focuses on applying genetic epidemiology methods to studies of neuropsychiatric disorders including autism, Alzheimer's disease, schizophrenia, and bipolar disorder and to developing applications and methods for genetic and epigenetic epidemiology, as applied to mental health and development.

Fallin has led multiple CDC- and NIH-funded projects regarding how environments, behaviors, genetic variation, and epigenetic variation contribute to risk for psychiatric disease, particularly autism. She led the Maryland site of the Study to Explore Early Development (SEED) and of the Early Autism Risk Longitudinal Investigation (EARLI) for over a decade. She was also the inaugural principal investigator of the B'more Healthy Brain and Child Development (HBCD) study, one of 25 sites of the NIH's newly initiated HBCD study, where she currently serves as an associate director of the administrative core to guide epidemiologic design. Given her commitment to public mental health broadly, Dean Fallin also co-lead the Maryland POE Center for Workplace Mental Health and continues to be engaged in workplace and school-based mental health as key tools for promoting population mental health.

Prior to joining Rollins, Fallin worked at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health for 22 years, where she served as chair of the Department of Mental Health, Sylvia and Harold Halpert Professor, Bloomberg Centennial Professor, and held joint appointments in the Bloomberg School's Departments of Epidemiology and Biostatistics and the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine's Departments of Medicine and Psychiatry. While at the Bloomberg School, Fallin directed the Wendy Klag Center for Autism and Developmental Disabilities and previously served as director of the genetic epidemiology area within epidemiology prior to becoming chair of the Department of Mental Health in 2013.

Fallin completed a Bachelor of Science from the University of Florida-Gainesville and earned a PhD in genetic epidemiology from Case Western Reserve University.

GPHA Posters

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1	Pattern of Multivitamin Intake & Awareness About Overdose Toxicity Among Young Adults	Manish Mishra, PhD
2	Establishing a Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction Program at a Residential Substance Rehabilitation Facility in Northeast, Georgia*	Joshua Siar, MPH
3	Comparison of Farmers' Stressors & Coping Mechanisms with Farmer Spouses	Anne Montgomery, PhD
4	Mind the Gap: Exploring Risk Factors for High C-Sections Rates in Georgia	Joanne Chopak-Foss, PhD
5	Trends in Substance Use & Mental Health Among Adolescents in Georgia, 2002-2022*	Saumya S. Palipudi
6	Assessing Factors That Influence Community-Based Faculty Satisfaction with Precepting Health Professions Students in Georgia	Nadine Odo, MPH, ELS
7	Leave in Silence: Hospital Discharge Communication Problems in Older Adults in 11 Countries	Neil J. MacKinnon, PhD
8	The Link Between Perceived Racism & Healthcare Utilization Among Older Adults: A Health Equity Analysis	Preshit Ambade, DrPH
9	PrEP Awareness, Use, & Referral Among Heterosexual Cisgender Women in Georgia*	Kristy L. Clodfelter, BSN, RN
10	Effectiveness of an Opioid Overdose Management & Naloxone Use Training Among Medical Students in Georgia	Katherine Hatcher, MS
11	Assessing Accessibility of Online Healthcare Networks in Southeast Georgia*	Anusha Gadipudi, BS
12	Examining the Race Disparity in Breast Cancer Mortality Across Georgia*	Rebecca Nash, MPH
13	A Systematic Literature Review Evaluating Male Condom Use Among Young Adults.*	Olivia A. Sheppard, BSPH
14	Hospitalizations with Alzheimer's Disease & Related Dementias Diagnosis in Georgia, 2021	Chloe Hale, MS, CHES
15	Racial & Ethnic Differences in HIV Diagnosis Rates Among Women by Census Tract Poverty Level in Georgia, 2018-2021	Daniel Mauck, PhD, MPH, MS
16	The Impact of Self-Reported Sleep Duration & Decline in Kidney Function of Hypertensive Patients in the US*	Tolulope V. Adebile, MSc
17	Assessment of Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) & Employee Well-Being in the Workplace*	Purbasha Biswas, MBBS
18	Predicting Barriers to Performing Concussion Education: Identifying Opportunities for Change*	Julia D. Drattell, MEd, ATC
19	Field Observations from Houston County Home Visit Pilot Program: Maternal Marijuana Use	Julia Jensen, MPH
20	Reducing High-Risk Sexual Behaviors in Adults Males on Preexposure Prophylaxis	Janeika B. Robinson, DNP,
21	Understanding Financial Stress & Coping Among Female Medical Students Through Lived Experiences*	Untara Shaikh
22	Geo-Mapping COVID-19 Cases to Identify Community Clusters in North Central Health District	Mareike Haaren, MSPH
23	Measure of Change in Hepatitis C Incidence Due to Change in Testing Requirements.	Ramona Barnett, MPH
24	Variations in Second Molar Dental Sealant Prevalence Among Adolescents, United States, 2011-2016	Kathleen Tatro, DrPH
25	COVID-19 Vaccine Disparity Among School Ages in West Central Health District	Yidan Lou, MPH, CPH
26	Adolescent Mortality: Dissecting the Link between Income Levels & Racial Disparities in Georgia*	Emmanuela Nwaonumah, MPH
27	Adoption of Remote Patient Monitoring for Chronic Disease Management in US Hospitals*	Tamaya Browder, MPH
28	Impact of Cancer Health Awareness Intervention on Participant Knowledge & Screening Compliance*	Alma G. Carrillo, BS
29	The Importance of Family & Country of Origin in Vaccine Messaging for H2A Farm Workers	Anna Scheyett, PhD
30	Improving Officer Well-Being to Help Create Healthy Communities: Wellness Implications for Public Health	Helen W. Bland, PhD
31	Using Community Informed Methods to Reduce Syphilis in Cherokee County	Teresa Costa, MPH
32	Un Dekalb Saludable: Presenting Health Concerns Among Hispanic & Latino Dekalb County Residents Using an Online Dashboard	Miranda M. Montoya, MPH
33	Improving Food Accessibility & Reducing Barriers: A WIC Food Benefits Redemption Study in North Georgia	Leatha Chambers, MS, RDN
34	Examining the Association Between Market Factors & Hospital Characteristics & AI Use in Hospitals, Using the Resource Dependency Theory*	Wandoo Abwa, MBBS

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36	VOCs & Odor Problems in Old Versus New Office Buildings Related to Moisture & Other Environmental Factors*	Kara C. Middleton, BSPH
37	Bridging Health Gap: Empowering Rural & Underserved Georgia through the Health Equity Navigator Initiative*	Aneesa Jones
38	Assessment of VOCs & Molds Using CDC/NIOSH Developed Tools in Hurricane Ian Affected Homes*	Victor C. Ezeamil, M.D.
39	Surface Microbial Activity in Hurricane Ian Affected Homes in Relation to Environmental Factors*	Oluwatoyin Ayo-Farai, M.D.
40	Role of Strong Social Support in Stool-Based Test Uptake for Colorectal Cancer Screening	Benjamin Ansa, MBBS, PhD
41	Fentanyl Test Strip: The Novel Approach to Fight Opioid Overdoses & Deaths in Georgia*	Brooke W. Sligh, BS
42	The Power of Storytelling to Build Community & Understand the Experiences of Black Breast Cancer Survivors*	Alexis J. Smith, MPH
43	Using Association Analysis on the Literature to Identify the Use of Informatics in Public Health	Yoonho Seol, PhD
44	Pregnancy-Related Maternal Deaths in the State of Georgia According to Timing & Causes of Death	Anthony Kondracki, MD, PhD
45	The Relationship Between Social Vulnerability & Pedestrian Injuries in Georgia	Denise Yeager
46	Consumer Perception of Agricultural Stress on Farmer's Mental Health & Well-Being*	Laura M. Ross, MSW
47	Development & Validation of an Index of Social Attributes Predictive of Frailty Among Older Adults	Preshit Ambade, DrPH
48	Factors Affecting Decision's for Annual Wellness Visits: Findings from the National Health Interview Survey, 2022*	Jeanetta Floyd, PhD
49	Collaborative Approach in Metro-Atlanta: Evaluating the Collective Impact Model	Alnory Gutlay
50	Use of Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptives by Race/Ethnicity in Georgia Health Departments, 2018-2021	Jalpa Shah, MPH
51	Capital Access for Food Entrepreneurs: Funding Community Enterprise to Expand Healthy Foods Within Underserved Communities	Claire-Lorentz Ugo-Ike, MSc
52	Intersectional Medication Abortion Stigma Among Black & Latinx Women in Georgia*	India C. Stevenson, BA
53	Always on Watch: Enteric Disease Exclusions Enacted For Cases Reported between 2018 to 2022	Melissa Neufeld, MPH, CIC
54	Local Health Departments' Participation in Environmental Policymaking	Jeffery A. Jones, PhD
55	Building an Online Course of Nutrition Paraprofessional in North Georgia WIC	Cicely Thomas, DCN, MEd
56	Health Informatics & Improvements in Maternal & Child Health in Rural Communities: A Scoping Review*	Mambwe Mutiti, MPH
57	Invasive Group a Streptococcal Disease in District 2: Detect, Investigate, & Collaborate!	Kailin Chen, MPH
58	Racial & Urbanicity/Rurality Disparities in Severe Maternal Morbidity, Georgia, 2016-2022	Elizabeth Burkhardt, MSPH
59	Stop Foaming at the Mouth: Analyzing Rabies Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP) Facilities, PEP Completions, & Barriers	Morgan W. Granger, MPH, CIC
60	Perceptions of Community Health Worker Home Deployment Intervention on Diabetes Management: Project Peach Community Study	Asia Rivers, MPH
61	Assessing the Impact of Reversing Roe V. Wade on the Mental Health Outcomes of Women in Georgia*	Alisha Riggins, MPH
62	Exploring Adverse Childhood Experiences & Prescription Opioid Utilization During Pregnancy in Georgia*	Sarah Sejoro, MSc
63	Pediatric Emergency Department Hiv Screening Increases Testing in Adolescents Leading to Earlier Diagnosis & Linkage-to-Care	Sandy Francois, MSc
64	"My Health in My Hands": Evaluating a Community-Led Intervention from the Georgia Medication Abortion Project	Teja Vyavahare, MPH
65	"Who Am I to Say What You Can Do with Your Body?" Exploring Abortion-Moderate Georgians' Policy Views*	Hayley V. McMahon, MSPH
66	The Benefit of Social Needs Screening by Hospitals*	Samuel Anokye-Mensah
67	Examining The Relationship between Place & Health in Rural Georgia*	Naa-Amy K. Wayne
68	The Relationship Between Quality Cost Conversations & Dental Visit Satisfaction: Findings from an Online Survey of US Adults*	Naa-Amy K. Wayne

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Section Meetings

GPHA Section Meetings will take place on **Wednesday, May 1, 2024**, and include section-specific awards, presentations, business, and the election of 2024-25 officers. Use the table below to determine the location of your section meeting. If your section is not listed, it is not scheduled to meet.

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ROOM	SECTION / TITLE	LEAD PRESENTER & CO-AUTHORS
1:45 P.M. – 3:15 P.M.		
Rm 5	Administration Public Health Family Feud <i>*Not eligible for CE</i>	Kimberly Lee, MHSA
Rm 9	Boards of Health Review of 2024 Georgia General Assembly <i>*Not eligible for CE</i>	Scott Maxwell, ABJ
Rm 11	Communications The Impact of Brand Representation and Communications in Public Health During the COVID-19 Pandemic	Bri White Jonathan Sheffield Darryl Carver Tia McCullough Rachel Waller
Rm 7	Epidemiology A Meeting with Death: How Medical Examiner/Coroner Offices Can Support the Surveillance of Respiratory Illnesses	Savannah Hardin, MPH, CIC Daena Mann, MPH
Rm 4	Health Education and Promotion Partners and Peers for Youth Violence Prevention: the Co-Creation of a Healthy Relationship Ambassadors Program	Amber Murphey, MPH Jazmin Nagorski, CFLE, CHSE
Rm 8	Health Information and Technology Functional Areas of Artificial Intelligence Use in Public Health: A Narrative Review	Indira Karibayeva, PHD, MPH Gulzar Shah, PhD, MStat, MS Adenuga Aderosoye, DVM, MSc
Ben Porter Salon	Laboratory	
Rm 10	Nursing Management of Trichomoniasis in Adult Females: A Recommendation for Post-treatment Follow-Up	Lakeysha King DNP, MSN, APRN FNP-C
3:30 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.		
Rm 4	Academic An Evidence-Based Approach to Using Opioid Settlement Funds to Address the Opioid Crisis in Georgia	Robert Bohler, PhD, MPH William Mase, DrPH, MPH
Rm 7	Career Development The Future of Public Health: Developing the Workforce through Public Health AmeriCorps	Kristi James, DrPH(c), MPH, CHES
Ben Porter Salon	Environmental Health	
Rm 10	Maternal and Child Health The ROSE Approach to Advancing Black Maternal and Infant Health	Andrea Serano, BS, IBCLC, CLC Carl Route, CLC
Rm 11	Medical/Dental Oral Health & Primary Care Integration <i>*Not eligible for CE</i>	Charmaine Idlett, RDH, MBA
Rm 8	Nutrition Breastfeeding Policies and Resources for Postpartum Employees are Lacking Across a University System	Emily Loedding Ashby, MPH, BSHPB Sritha Donepudi Heather M. Padilla, PhD, RDN
Rm 5	Rural Health Convening and Leading Statewide Stakeholders to Address Primary Care Shortages in Georgia	Erin Mundy, MPA Alyssa Ruffa, MPH
Rm 9	Safety and Health Preparedness Systematic Initiatives That Impact the Whole-Community Approach to Resiliency	Todd Wyckoff, MPA, CEM®, EMHP, NEMEA

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<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes</p> <p>Administration</p> <p>1:45 – 3:15 P.M.</p> <p>Room 5</p>	<p>Public Health Family Feud*</p> <p>The Public Health Family Feud game will pit public health officials against one another to see how District and State Public Health officials answered questions about Public Health programs in Georgia.</p> <p>* Not eligible for CE</p>	<p>Kimberly Lee, MHSA</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes</p> <p>Boards of Health</p> <p>1:45 – 3:15 P.M.</p> <p>Room 9</p>	<p>Review of 2024 Georgia General Assembly*</p> <p>This presentation will provide a review of the 2024 General Assembly, describing policy bills that passed—or failed—as well as public health highlights from the state budget. Behind-the-scenes political insights will be offered to explain the "whys" behind various legislative actions.</p> <p>* Not eligible for CE</p>	<p>Scott Maxwell, ABJ</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes</p> <p>Communications</p> <p>1:45 – 3:15 P.M.</p> <p>Room 11</p>	<p>The Impact of Brand Representation and Communications in Public Health During the COVID-19 Pandemic</p> <p>Our communications department wants to underline the need of using concise and clear language both internally and externally. We are the district's first point of contact for branding and marketing, and we want to maintain our credibility while simultaneously improving health literacy. Assist us in spreading the word about the services and capabilities. To accomplish so, we must convey clarity in our advertisements.</p> <p>» Explain a basic understanding for communicating effectively with the public using their brand identity.</p>	<p>Bri White Jonathan Sheffield Darryl Carver Tia McCullough Rachel Waller</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes</p> <p>Epidemiology</p> <p>1:45 – 3:15 P.M.</p> <p>Room 7</p>	<p>A Meeting with Death: How Medical Examiner and Coroner Offices Can Support the Surveillance of Respiratory Illnesses</p> <p>In 2021, CDPH and CCMEO were selected by CSTE/CDC as one of the seven sites nationwide to conduct this enhanced respiratory surveillance. The project includes point-of-care testing for all CCMEO cases at the morgue, then confirmatory testing at the Georgia Public Health Laboratory (GPHL) for a total of 18 different respiratory viruses, plus an Epidemiologist stationed on-site to help with it all.</p> <p>» Explain the mutually beneficial relationship between district/state epidemiology and medical examiner/coroner offices regarding infectious disease surveillance.</p>	<p>Savannah Hardin, MPH, CIC Daena Mann, MPH</p>

SECTION MEETINGS 1:45 – 3:15 P.M.

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TIME PLACE	TITLE DESCRIPTIONS OBJECTIVES	LEAD PRESENTER & CO-AUTHORS
WORKSHOP 60 minutes Health Education and Promotion 1:45 – 3:15 P.M. Room 4	Partners and Peers for Youth Violence Prevention: The Co-Creation of a Healthy Relationship Ambassadors Program Georgia PREVAYL (Preventing Violence Affecting Young Lives) is a CDC cooperative agreement with the Georgia Department of Public Health focused on the Northeast Health District, Athens, GA. This skill-building workshop exhibits local implementation of PREVAYL programs and partnerships through an exploration of the Healthy Relationships Ambassadors (HRA) teen program. Participants will have the opportunity to improve their youth violence prevention skills through engagement with examples of student-led and planning activities. <ul style="list-style-type: none">» Describe an understanding of the importance and benefit of multi-sector collaboration between community partners and students for youth violence prevention using shared risk and protective factors.	Amber Murphey, MPH Jazmin Nagorski, CFLE, CHSE
WORKSHOP 60 minutes Health Information and Technology 1:45 – 3:15 P.M. Room 8	Functional Areas of Artificial Intelligence Use in Public Health: A Narrative Review Discover the transformative impact of artificial intelligence (AI) on public health through this comprehensive research. Delving into seven key applications, the study explores AI's role in disease surveillance, data modernization, social determinants of health, healthcare management, personalized care, environmental health, and telehealth. Uncover how AI propels Public Health 3.0, enhancing precision and efficiency in addressing complex public health challenges amid budget constraints and rising threats. <ul style="list-style-type: none">» Demonstrate an understanding of the transformative role of artificial intelligence (AI) in public health. They will be equipped to discern seven key applications of AI.	Indira Karibayeva, PHD, MPH Gulzar Shah, PhD, MStat, MS Adenuga Aderosoye, DVM, MSc
WORKSHOP 60 minutes Nursing 1:45 – 3:15 P.M. Room 10	Management of Trichomoniasis in Adult Females: A Recommendation for Post-Treatment Follow-Up The Standard Nurse Protocols for Registered Professional Nurses in Public Health (2023) recommends follow-up in adult females with trichomoniasis fourteen to ninety days after initial treatment because of high rates of reinfection. Using quality improvement to explore an evidenced-based change for this public health practice, a phone consultation between twenty-one and thirty-days post-treatment was studied to reinforce counseling and provide additional treatment if needed. <ul style="list-style-type: none">» Identify recommended preferred treatment for adult females diagnosed with trichomoniasis in public health.» Discuss the importance of patient follow-up in adult females diagnosed with trichomoniasis in public health.	Lakeyshia King DNP, MSN, APRN, FNP-C

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SECTION MEETINGS 3:30 - 5:00 P.M.

TIME PLACE	TITLE DESCRIPTIONS OBJECTIVES	LEAD PRESENTER & CO-AUTHORS
<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes</p> <p>Academic</p> <p>3:30 - 5:00 P.M.</p> <p>Room 4</p>	<p>An Evidence-Based Approach to Using Opioid Settlement Funds to Address the Opioid Crisis in Georgia</p> <p>This presentation will provide actionable information for a wide range of stakeholders that attend the GPHA conference, especially ones positioned to distribute opioid settlement funds, implement programs with these funds, or advocate for the best use of these funds. Evidence-based strategies and approaches to address the opioid crisis are presented within the levels of prevention framework of primary, secondary, and tertiary prevention.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Identify 2-3 evidence-based and promising programs within the levels of prevention framework to address the opioid crisis in Georgia. » Describe a comprehensive response to the opioid crisis across the continuum of care including prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery. 	<p>Robert Bohler, PhD, MPH William Mase, DrPH, MPH</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes</p> <p>Career Development</p> <p>3:30 - 5:00 P.M.</p> <p>Room 7</p>	<p>The Future of Public Health: Developing the Workforce through Public Health AmeriCorps</p> <p>The Public Health AmeriCorps (PHAmC) is a program to develop the public health workforce and bring diversified professionals and students into the field. The American Public Health Association (APHA) provided technical assistance for PHAmC members to learn from public health practitioners and receive professional development training. The CDC funded 30 PHAmC members to attend APHA's annual meeting in Atlanta, GA to present their host site experience.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Develop a process for providing technical assistance and training to emerging public health professionals. 	<p>Kristi James, DrPH(c), MPH, CHES</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes</p> <p>Maternal and Child Health</p> <p>3:30 - 5:00 P.M.</p> <p>Room 10</p>	<p>The ROSE Approach to Advancing Black Maternal and Infant Health</p> <p>To address racial inequities in maternal and infant health, Reaching Our Sisters Everywhere (ROSE) discusses their approach to build equity through culturally appropriate training, education, advocacy, and support.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Discuss two implementation strategies that embeds equity into programs and initiatives. 	<p>Andrea Serano, BS, IBCLC, CLC Carl Route, CLC</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes</p> <p>Medical/Dental</p> <p>3:30 - 5:00 P.M.</p> <p>Room 11</p>	<p>Oral Health & Primary Care Integration*</p> <p>Albany Area Primary Health Care strives to provide care that is affordable and accessible in the community that we serve. Our mission is to provide quality health care to everyone, and our core values are to always show compassion, always connect with our community, and continuously strive to improve.</p> <p>* Not eligible for CE</p>	<p>Charmaine Idlett, RDH, MBA</p>

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SECTION MEETINGS 3:30 – 5:00 P.M.

TIME PLACE	TITLE DESCRIPTIONS OBJECTIVES	LEAD PRESENTER & CO-AUTHORS
<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes</p> <p>Nutrition</p> <p>3:30 – 5:00 P.M.</p> <p>Room 8</p>	<p>Breastfeeding Policies and Resources for Postpartum Employees are Lacking Across a University System</p> <p>This presentation will describe the differences in policies across a singular university system and the need for female employees to advocate for their own breastfeeding and postpartum needs. I will also demonstrate the discrepancies between having a formal policy in place and the existence of lactation rooms on campus. Finally, I will discuss strategies to develop policies at universities to improve breastfeeding access for all working mothers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Understand the current reality of breastfeeding policies and resources available for university employees and the need for better support for female employees across all employment levels. 	<p>Emily Loedding Ashby, MPH, BSHPB</p> <p>Sritha Donepudi</p> <p>Heather M. Padilla, PhD, RDN</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes</p> <p>Rural Health</p> <p>3:30 – 5:00 P.M.</p> <p>Room 5</p>	<p>Convening and Leading Statewide Stakeholders to Address Primary Care Shortages in Georgia</p> <p>Comprising six regional AHECs and the program office, the Georgia Statewide AHEC Network has made intentional efforts addressing the shortage of primary care providers. Recognizing the interconnectedness of primary care and public health, the AHEC organizes invitation-only summits, fostering collaboration among stakeholders to develop a consensus work agenda. The Summit has made successful progress in influencing and addressing primary care shortages in Georgia.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Describe the tasks associated with hosting a Statewide Summit on Primary Care for 100+ invited stakeholders » Describe the process of synthesizing recommendations into a prioritized Legislative Agenda » Describe the Advocacy role played by AHECs to successfully achieve the recommendations and how the implementation roles the AHEC assumed in translating recommendations into policy. 	<p>Erin Mundy, MPA</p> <p>Alyssa Ruffa, MPH</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes</p> <p>Safety and Health Preparedness</p> <p>3:30 – 5:00 P.M.</p> <p>Room 9</p>	<p>Systematic Initiatives That Impact the Whole-Community Approach to Resiliency</p> <p>I will present the challenges of the complex systems that may hinder the capacity to build resilience within our communities. I will discuss alternative approaches to developing resilience and help the learners understand their place in the system at the most basic local level.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Discuss the complexities of systems in building resilient communities as well as defining resilience and whole community 	<p>Todd Wyckoff, MPA, CEM®, EMHP, NEMEA</p>



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WORKSHOP 30 minutes 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. Room 8	Program Reach, Satisfaction and Lessons Learned from a Community-Based COVID-19 Health Literacy Program The program will provide an overview of a community-based health literacy program implemented in Albany, GA, and share findings from the program evaluation including program reach, satisfaction, and lessons learned from the evaluation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Describe best practices of a community-based health literacy program administered in Albany, GA. » Identify barriers to COVID-19 vaccine uptake and potential effective strategies for increasing vaccination. 	Tatiana Woldman Janani Thapa, PhD Jacob Matta Biplav Tiwari, MPH Samla Resma
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. Room 9	Improving the Health of Communities through Community Health Assessments and Community Health Improvement Plans Discussion on how developing a community health assessment and community health improvement plan using Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP), a multi-sector and community-driven strategic planning process, can improve the health of communities and achieve health equity. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Discuss how leveraging or developing a community health assessment and community health improvement plan can strengthen public health departments, programs, and community infrastructures to care for and improve the health of citizens across Georgia. 	Miranda Helms, BS, LSSGB Stacy Bagley
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. Room 11	Let's Grow: A Public Health District's Continued Development of County Nurse Managers How one Public Health District continues to develop county nurse managers to lead staff and communities to a healthier Georgia. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Describe one Public Health District's continued development of County Nurse Managers. » Implement a development program for County Nurse Managers to lead staff and communities to a healthier Georgia. » Utilize examples of team building activities, personal and professional growth sessions and valuable contact information from presenters on how to implement their own growth and development program. 	Cindi R Hart, RN, MSN Leighan B. Waters, BBA
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. Room 4	Exploring the Gap: Rural and Urban Disparities in COVID-19 Vaccination Uptake Among US Adults This workshop will provide an overview of gaps in COVID-19 vaccine uptake between urban and rural areas at the individual level in the United States over a two-year period. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Define the widening gaps of COVID-19 vaccine uptake between urban and rural areas in the United States. 	Biplab Kumar Datta, PhD Jennifer E. Jaremski, MPA Benjamin E. Ansa, PhD, MD, MSCR, CPH Lorriane Odhiambo, PhD, MPH Catherine Clary, JD, KM Monirul Islam, MBBS, PhD, MPH J. Aaron Johnson, PhD

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<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. Room 10</p>	<p>Gender-Based Differences in Stress and Coping Among Farmers: A Cross-Sectional Study with Propensity Score Matching</p> <p>This cross-sectional study compares the mental health experiences of male and female farmers, with a particular focus on stress levels, stressors, and coping mechanisms. The research aims to shed light on gender-based differences in stress experiences and coping strategies among agricultural workers.</p> <p>» Describe the influence of gender on suicidal ideation in farmers.</p>	<p>Anne Montgomery, PhD James Dunaway Stephanie Basey, PhD Chris Scoggins, MPH Lily Baucom</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. Room 5</p>	<p>Ghosting on PrEP Care: Understanding Why Some Prep Clinic Clients Don't Persist in Care</p> <p>This presentation describes findings of a survey conducted among patients who previously accessed HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) at Fulton County Board of Health (FCBOH) and have not visited the clinic in at least six months. The aims were to understand whether these individuals sought care elsewhere, the reasons for not returning to care at FCBOH and potentially identify areas for improvement.</p> <p>» Describe the reasons why people who have not remained in care at the FCBOH PrEP clinic have left.</p>	<p>Blake Launius BS Jessica Lopes da Rosa-Spiegler, PhD Udodirim Onwubiko, MPH Samuel Jenness, PhD Jane Y. Scott, MD Allison T. Chamberlain, PhD</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. Room 7</p>	<p>Combatting Public Health Concerns of Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) in Cobb and Douglas Counties</p> <p>Sexually transmitted infections (STIs) are on the rise in the United States, and District 3-1 (Cobb and Douglas counties) has seen this trend, too. Particularly alarming is the increase in STIs in adolescents and young adults. To mitigate this public health concern, the Cobb and Douglas Public Health team engaged in a variety of projects and media campaigns courtesy of CDC funding to GA DPH.</p> <p>» Demonstrate ways to alleviate this public health concern.</p>	<p>Marie Claude Paul-David, MPH Shontay Rose-Bell</p>

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ROUNDTABLES 1A.1 30 minutes 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. Room 2	Adverse Race Experiences and Social Determinants of Health in Georgia, 2022 The Georgia Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (GA-BRFSS) is an annual state-based telephone (landline and cellular) survey of non-institutionalized Georgia residents 18 years of age and older. The survey collects data on health behaviors, risk factors, and use of preventive services. » Discuss the SDOH disparities, adverse race experiences based on the GA-BRFSS data.	Andrenita West, PhD, MPH Rana Bayakly, MPH Antionette Lavender, MPH
ROUNDTABLES 1A.2 30 minutes 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. Room 3	Eliminating Walk-In Deliveries One Patient at a Time: An Evaluation of the Houston County Health Department Prenatal Clinic, North Central Health District, GA As part of the 2023 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention & Harvard School of Public Health Program Evaluation Practicum, the Houston County Health Department Prenatal Clinic was evaluated to determine its effectiveness in reducing the number of walk-in deliveries at Houston Healthcare among women who are uninsured or uninsurable. » Describe the evaluation plan used to assess the Houston County Health Department Prenatal Clinic in Middle Georgia. » Describe evaluation findings and their implications on the effectiveness of this program in reducing the number of walk-in deliveries among women who are uninsured or uninsurable.	Ramona Barnett, MPH Mareike Haaren, MSPH Amber Erickson, DrPH, MPH Christina Sikes, RN, BSN
ROUNDTABLES 1A.3 30 minutes 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. Ben Porter Salon	Deja Food: The Collaborative Investigation into a Recurrent Salmonella Outbreak “Deja Food: The Collaborative Investigation into a Recurrent Salmonella Outbreak” details the continuous collaborative efforts of FCBOH, DPH, GDA, and FDA in the investigation of a recurrent <i>Salmonella enteritidis</i> outbreak. These collaborative efforts aim to mitigate further illness through monitoring and public health intervention. » Describe how to combine efforts with local, state, and federal agencies to conduct foodborne-illness outbreak investigations.	Anna K. Genetti, MPH Hope Dishman, MPH Alexia Lewis, MPH Marcie Mitchell Lana Jones, MPH Sasha Smith, MPH Mallory Hazell, MPH Brandon Leftwich, MPH, DrPH Lynn Paxton, MD, MPH Cherie Drenzek, DVM, MS

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<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:10 – 10:40 A.M. Room 8</p>	<p>Effective Collaboration to Implement Community Health Improvement Plans</p> <p>Bringing together partners to implement an effective Community Health Improvement Plan takes finesse, organization, and communication. Learn how one public health district minimized time demands and maximized benefits for participating organizations, promoting sustained involvement. Two frameworks, Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) and Collective Impact, and a combination of in-person and digital meetings and tools were used to facilitate engaged and effective workgroups.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Identify frameworks and tools to use in effectively facilitating groups working on community health improvement. 	<p>Jessica Dent, MEM</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:10 – 10:40 A.M. Room 9</p>	<p>Culturally Tailored Health Campaigns: From Concept to Impact</p> <p>Join us for a thought-provoking exploration into the heart of health communication. Are your messages truly connecting? This session offers a roadmap for infusing cultural relevance into your campaigns, turning questions into solutions. Learn how to make your health messages not just heard, but deeply felt, particularly within underserved communities, for a transformative impact on public health outcomes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Demonstrate an understanding of the crucial role of cultural precision. » Describe practical tools used to seamlessly integrate cultural precision into health communication strategies, ensuring messages resonate authentically across diverse communities. 	<p>Elizabeth M'balu Oke, MSc</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:10 – 10:40 A.M. Room 11</p>	<p>Data to Action: Building a Diverse and Inclusive Public Health Workforce</p> <p>When addressing determinants of health, the importance of a diverse, inclusive public health workforce needs to be considered. A workforce composed of individuals from various backgrounds, that reflect the diverse communities it serves, is critical to mitigating drivers of inequities. Strategic plans and workforce data can be used to help organizations create DEI-centric workplaces where staff are empowered to implement programs to advance health equity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Explain how data and action plans can be used for building a DEI-centric workforce to advance health equity. 	<p>Loretta Jackson Brown, PhD, MSN, RN Darryl Owens Kesan Samuel, MPH</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:10 – 10:40 A.M. Room 4</p>	<p>Rapid Community Assessment in Coastal Georgia: Key Findings and Lessons Learned</p> <p>Perceptions regarding the COVID-19 vaccine need to be better understood and evaluated to enhance the design of public health interventions and improve vaccination rates. During our session, we will share the main findings from the rapid community assessment, best practices for data collection, and main challenges and lessons for public health professionals who might plan to conduct similar work in the future.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Examine attitudes and perceptions regarding the COVID-19 vaccine. » Describe approaches that work best for data collection in community settings. 	<p>Blerta Shehaj, MPH Kristie C. Waterfield, DrPH, MBA Angie Peden, MPH Kirsten Mengell, MPH Danielle Sayre, MPH Sarah Mosley, BSPH</p>



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WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:10 – 10:40 A.M. Room 10	CATAPULT: Breaking the Pressure Barrier The participants will be able to design and implement a quality improvement project in their institute to improve blood pressure control. » Describe and implement a cohort study to improve blood pressure control.	Patrick Berchie, MD Zahraa Rabeeah, MD, FACP, FOMA Catherine Apaloo, MD, FACP Jacob Barry, MPH Swetha Chaparala, MD
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:10 – 10:40 A.M. Room 5	PortaCount Mask Fitting: Ensuring Respiratory Protection in Occupational Settings This presentation will highlight the benefits of Quantitative Mask Fitting in terms of efficiency, cost-effectiveness, and compliance with regulatory requirements. It will discuss the positive impact of this technology on occupational health and safety programs, ultimately reducing the risk of exposure-related illnesses. » Explain how Quantitative Mask Fitting can be both cost-effective and efficient.	Cara Taylor, RN, MSN
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:10 – 10:40 A.M. Room 7	Eating “White Dirt”: Exploring the Health Risks and Cultural Significance of Kaolin Ingestion Georgia is renowned as the global epicenter of the kaolin industry, a clay colloquially referred to as “white dirt”. This substance is often consumed as a form of pica, a condition characterized by the ingestion of nonfood substances. As such, the ingestion of this mineral has strong roots within rural Georgia communities, with those who participate reasoning that the mineral helps with gastrointestinal issues, and others who simply crave it. This presentation aims to explore the health hazards associated with eating kaolin, while also honing the emotional intelligence skills so deeply important in public health practices. » Recognize the health risks associated with kaolin ingestion while respecting the cultural aspects of the practice.	Bri Young, MS

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ROUNDTABLES 1B.1 30 minutes 10:10 – 10:40 A.M. Room 2	Evaluating the Availability and Accessibility of Applied Behavior Analysis in Georgia Children with autism spectrum disorder benefit from early intervention therapies, yet those residing in rural areas often have difficulty accessing services during developmentally appropriate periods. This program will assess the availability and accessibility of the most commonly used EI therapy in Georgia through creation of an accessibility index. Identifying areas in Georgia with lower therapy accessibility enables appropriation of resources to those communities. » Identify areas in Georgia with lower accessibility of ABA therapy for the treatment of autism spectrum disorder.	Kimberly B. Roth, PhD, MHS Sarah E. Rotschafer, PhD Edson Jean-Jacques, MS
ROUNDTABLES 1B.2 30 minutes 10:10 – 10:40 A.M. Room 3	Does Social Environment Impact Health in Rural Geriatric Communities? The program will discuss and identify a healthy social “supportive” environment for elderly individuals in rural communities and provide strategies to overcome environmental barriers to promote health education programs to bring awareness about how public health educational geriatric projects can be implemented in rural communities. » Identify what a healthy social “supportive” environment looks like for the elderly population when implementing public health education programs. » Discuss how the social environment can impact the elderly population’s food choices.	Anta'Sha M. Jones, PhD, MS Amber Davis Lakyla Fisher Skyler Mclymore Monica Reed Denata Williams Temitope Olubowale
ROUNDTABLES 1B.3 30 minutes 10:10 – 10:40 A.M. Ben Porter Salon	I Feel Like Someone’s Watching Me: Syndromic Surveillance Follow-up in North Central Health District This presentation will examine the process of syndromic surveillance follow-up within North Central Health District (NCHD) Epidemiology program, trends of reports from 2021-2023, and how this process and strong partnerships have led to the identification of infectious disease clusters and other high priority public health hazards including Shiga Toxin producing <i>E. coli</i> , aseptic meningitis, and chemical poisonings. » Discuss the benefits of syndromic surveillance follow-up and whether it is worthwhile for their agency.	Jocelyn Love, MPH Ramona Barnett, MPH Ma’Kyha Sims, MPH Mareike Haaren, MSPH Julia Jensen, MPH Rene Borroto, BA Amber Erickson, DrPH, MPH

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WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:55 – 11:25 A.M. Room 8	Youth Voices Survey: Identifying the Current Issues Facing Youth Usher’s New Look (UNL) is a youth development program in Atlanta, GA. With funding from the Walton Family Foundation, UNL launched a nationwide research project to help educators, education funders, and decisionmakers better understand student insights and perspectives. » Describe the three of the most important issues identified by youths throughout the nation.	Kimberley Broomfield-Massey, PhD Kwardel Lewis, MPH Latoya Henry Careshia Moore, Esq
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:55 – 11:25 A.M. Room 11	Using Career Ladders to Increase Retention in Public Health Recruitment and retention of public health employees has always been a challenge, but never more so than during and post-pandemic. Through this session, participants will learn about Cobb & Douglas Public Health’s approach to employee retention using career ladders. » Describe career ladders and their effectiveness on employee retention.	Cynthia Cox, BS Valerie Prince, BA
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:55 – 11:25 A.M. Room 4	A Snapshot Picture: Health Literacy, Attitudes, and Behavior Health literacy influences attitudes and behaviors. The health literacy program addressed myths, misinformation, and disinformation related to COVID-19 and related variables (i.e., masking, vaccines, trusted sources of health information, etc.). Participants in the health literacy program reported a positive behavioral change to give more conscious thought to information related to COVID-19. » Increase public health practitioners’ knowledge of the link between health literacy, attitudes, and behavior to facilitate implementation of health education strategies, interventions, and programs.	Wanda Allen, DNP, MSN, MPA, AGNP-C, RN AntaSha Jones, PhD, MS
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:55 – 11:25 A.M. Room 10	Factors Affecting Telehealth Use Among US Adults During the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Cross-Sectional Analysis Using a cross-sectional national survey, this analysis examined determinants of telehealth use during COVID-19 pandemic. The results should help policymakers to develop evidence-based options for improving telehealth use by addressing different social, economic, geographic, and health status-related barriers. The factors identified will also help clinicians and public health practitioners to ensure effective utilization of telehealth, especially when barriers to use in-person healthcare become critical. » Identify potential determinants of telehealth use during the COVID-19 pandemic.	Farah M. Chowdhury, MD, MPH M. Mahmud Khan, PhD Jenay M. Beer, PhD



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<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:55 - 11:25 A.M. Room 5</p>	<p>An Intervention to Support Healthy Eating by Changing the Home Food Environment Among 2-1-1 Clients</p> <p>This presentation will describe the baseline data and preliminary results of the Healthy Homes/Healthy Families intervention, a home based intervention developed to help shape dietary behaviors within the home.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Identify aspects of the home food environment that associate with dietary behavior. 	<p>Shadé Owolabi, MS Cerra Antonacci, MBE, MHS Lucja Bundy, MA Ana Arana, MPH Wanda Allen, DNP, MSN, MPA, AGNP-C, RN Shaunae Motley Candace Muncy Regine Haardoerfer, PhD Terry Hartman, PhD, MPH, RD Michelle C. Kegler, DrPH, MPH</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 10:55 - 11:25 A.M. Room 7</p>	<p>A Biting Problem: Use of Rabies Post-Exposure Prophylaxis and Household Income in DeKalb County</p> <p>Rabies is a neurological disease that is almost always fatal. The average cost of rabies post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) is \$3,800, excluding the cost of hospital treatment. This analysis uses SendSS, GRITS, and US Census data to compare DeKalb County's rate of rabies PEP completion across ZIP code areas with different income levels.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Evaluate gaps in rabies post-exposure prophylaxis vaccination accessibility using county-level case and vaccination data. 	<p>Rosa Fowler, MPH Julia Knebl, MPH Calvin Patimeteeporn, MSPH</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 70 minutes 10:55 - 12:05 P.M. Room 9</p>	<p>Owning Your Learning Journey: A Roadmap to Sustainable Professional Growth in Public Health</p> <p>While the Region IV Public Health Training Center offers a rich tapestry of training programs, these are only a piece of the learning journey. Unlocking the full potential of professional development requires more than attending courses - it demands a conscious commitment to ongoing learning and collaboration. This presentation aims to inspire and equip public health professionals to embrace a proactive approach to their own journeys.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Locate professional and leadership development opportunities relevant to your current or future role. » Identify essential elements that should be included in a personal professional development plan to address learning gaps or professional goals. 	<p>Emily Saunders, EdD Laura Lloyd, MPH, MCHES Melissa "Moose" Alperin, EdD, MPH, MCHES Brandy Walker, PhD Carolina Darbisi, PhD Elizabeth Kidwell, MPH, CHES</p>

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ROUNDTABLES 2A.1 30 minutes 10:55 - 11:25 A.M. Room 2	Opportunities for PrEP in High Risk HIV Negative Patients A foundational review of potential opportunities to engage high-risk HIV negative patients from a Family Medicine, resident-led clinic in PrEP services. Patients who met eligibility requirements between 2020 and 2023 were included in this study. Identifying PrEP opportunities and recognizing the impact on long-term outcomes will provide the groundwork to reduce HIV incidence in a community that continues to have high transmission rates. » Discuss how to actively engage patients in early risk reduction discussions to determine eligibility of PrEP services.	Steven Veselsky, DO, MPH, AAHIVS Erin Smith, BS Jean Wiggins, BSPH Misty Burkes, MPH Nnamdi Ilouga, MBBS Amethyst Wilder, MD William N. Hannah, Jr., MD
ROUNDTABLES 2A.2 30 minutes 10:55 - 11:25 A.M. Room 3	Psychometric Testing of a New Instrument to Measure Workplace Mental Health and Well-Being Workplace well-being and mental health among the US workforce is an ongoing concern, and to address these issues, the US Surgeon General's office proposed a five-domain framework around Worker Voice and Equity. We developed and pilot-tested the Augusta Scale based on this framework. We psychometrically evaluated the scale using the pilot data collected from medical preceptors. » Describe the psychometric properties and public health applications of the Augusta Scale.	Preshit Ambade, DrPH Neil MacKinnon, PhD, FASHP, FCSHP, FNAP Zachary Hoffman, MS
ROUNDTABLES 2A.3 30 minutes 10:55 - 11:25 A.M. Ben Porter Salon	Reducing Georgian's Dementia Risk through Healthy Living: Leveraging Partnerships to Promote Brain Health Research is still evolving, but evidence is strong that people can reduce their risk of cognitive decline by making key lifestyle changes and promoting early detection by knowing the signs of Alzheimer's versus normal aging. This program builds on recent research and explores partnership opportunities to become a driving force to promote early detection and the adoption of healthier behaviors to reduce dementia risk. » Identify opportunities to promote brain health, dementia risk reduction, and early detection through health education and collaborative outreach and engagement.	Jill Disney, MPA Cat Woodall Colcombe, MS, CHES

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<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 11:35 A.M - 12:05 P.M. Room 8</p>	<p>Black Boys Better: Mental Health Programming for Middle and High School Black Male Students</p> <p>In metro Atlanta and rural areas across Georgia, the non-profit Creative Connections is serving a unique and underrepresented group of students. Black Boys Better is a program designed to address emotional intelligence, provide mental health education, and social-emotional learning skills to enhance their personal development. The program officially launched in September 2023 and has served both middle and high school students in Atlanta and Savannah.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Identify mental health programming strategies for servicing Black male students. 	<p>Chris James Kristi James, MPH, CHES</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 11:35 A.M - 12:05 P.M. Room 11</p>	<p>Growing, Learning, and Innovating: A Public Health District's Path to a Healthier Georgia</p> <p>Presenters will share one district's journey to develop a comprehensive, multi-faceted development plan for all employees, given federal resources for Strengthening US Public Health Infrastructure, Workforce and Data Systems. Based on 38 listening sessions, the Office of Growth, Learning and Innovation was formed to develop personnel policy, offer to and select applicants for workforce development series, provide trainings in multi-modalities, evaluate strategies and activities, and strengthen recruitment and engagement efforts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Discuss processes for assessing the needs of a public health workforce to develop a strategic plan for addressing those identified needs. » Identify a variety of systematic strategies that were implemented to strengthen the workforce in one public health district, leading to accelerated prevention, intervention, preparedness and response. 	<p>Leighan B. Waters, BBA Derek Jones, MEd Chris Sills</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 11:35 A.M - 12:05 P.M. Room 4</p>	<p>A Cross-Sectoral Approach to Innovation in Public Health</p> <p>Innovative methods need to be integrated into public health thinking to accelerate change, a belief that led to the creation of our public health innovation cohorts. Eleven participants were taught new ways of approaching problems and how to test with pilots. Thematic and network analysis of interviews, along with a two-year follow-up, revealed an enduring shift in approach to problem solving within their work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Describe the impact that adaptive innovative methodology, Immersive Innovation Labs, had on the problem-solving abilities and careers of public health professionals and how those methods can apply to their work. 	<p>Michaela Bonnett, MPH Sophie Becker, BFA Meaghan Kennedy, MPH Odiraa Okala, MPH</p>



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WORKSHOP 30 minutes 11:35 A.M - 12:05 P.M. Room 10	Merging the Sense of Belonging, Self-Health Advocacy, and Community Engagement in Rural Beauty and Barbershops The Barbershop and Beauty Shop Health Initiative provides health promotion and education programs where rural residents feel most comfortable in their communities—their barber shops and beauty salons. Through program development, implementation, and evaluation, a greater sense of belonging, self-health advocacy, and community engagement can be achieved for rural Georgia citizens. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Formulate components of the Barber Shop and Beauty Shop Health Initiative which can be replicated in other public health programming. » List types of community-based organizations that could yield sustaining partnerships for program implementation for such an initiative. 	Kedrick L. Williams, DHA, MPH Harvey Lee Moody, III, MS Samantha L. Johnson
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 11:35 A.M - 12:05 P.M. Room 5	Self-Advocacy During Pregnancy: HOPE for Georgia Moms and Karna Build Communications Tools Georgia has the second highest maternal mortality rate in the nation. Women need to self-advocate to make a difference when speaking to their providers about signs and symptoms causing concern. HOPE for Georgia Moms and the Communications Specialist from Karna, Inc. will present the development of self-advocacy resources based on qualitative interviews for dissemination across the state. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Describe the process of using findings from research to develop responsive communications materials to address major contributors to maternal mortality and morbidity in Georgia. 	Heidi Ehrenreich, PhD, MPH Leslie Rodriguez, PhD
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 11:35 A.M - 12:05 P.M. Room 7	Case Studies of the Environmental Health Specialist Role in Rabies Investigations within the North Central Health District This session will provide an overview of the rabies reporting and protocols used within the North Central Health District by Environmental Health Specialists (EHS) to address community concerns. Two cases, one involving a human exposure and one involving a pet encounter with a raccoon, will be presented to further discuss unique nuances encountered by EHS team members. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Discuss Georgia Department of Rabies reporting and protocols from an Environmental Health Specialist perspective. » Identify practices the rabies program could incorporate to address social determinants of health in human exposure cases. 	Jeremy Wimes, MPH

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<p>ROUNDTABLES 2B.1 30 minutes 11:35 – 12:05 P.M. Room 2</p>	<p>Development of The Augusta Scale, a Workplace Mental Health and Well-Being Survey</p> <p>Workplace mental health and well-being are rising concerns in the United States. The US Surgeon General developed a framework in response, and we mapped the components of this framework onto a survey (the Augusta Scale). We piloted the Augusta Scale with Georgia AHEC preceptors. We will discuss the results of the survey, as well as the Augusta Scale’s validity and reliability.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Discuss the importance of measuring workplace mental health and well-being, the Surgeon General’s framework, and our findings on which groups have the highest and lowest levels of well-being. 	<p>Zachary Hoffman, MS Neil J MacKinnon, PhD, FASHP, FCSHP, FNAP Preshit Ambade, DrPH</p>
<p>ROUNDTABLES 2B.2 30 minutes 11:35 – 12:05 P.M. Room 3</p>	<p>Identifying the Mental Health Needs of Adults with Type 1 Diabetes</p> <p>This presentation will describe perceptions of the mental health needs of people with type 1 diabetes from people with lived experience. Reflections from community members on failings of the health system to detect and provide mental health treatment and support will be outlined.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Describe the mental health needs of adults with type 1 diabetes and discuss the need for tailored behavioral and mental health interventions for people with type 1 diabetes. 	<p>Leslie Johnson, PhD, MPH, MLitt Mariah Jones Thilini Fernando</p>
<p>ROUNDTABLES 2B.3 30 minutes 11:35 – 12:05 P.M. Ben Porter Salon</p>	<p>Bridging the Gap: Internal Collaboration to Prevent the Spread of Infectious Diseases in the Health Department</p> <p>Preventing the spread of infectious diseases within health departments is an ongoing high priority for health districts. The partnership between Cobb & Douglas Public Health’s (CDPH) Epidemiology & Clinical Services has fostered the development and utilization of various innovative tools within CDPH clinic locations to support this priority in protecting our clients and employees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Describe how District Epidemiology and Clinical Services collaborate and adapt tools to prevent the spread of infectious diseases within the agency’s health departments in response to the changing epidemiology of disease or threat of disease present in the community. 	<p>Rachel Franklin, MPH, CIC Melissa Green, RN</p>

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WORKSHOP 30 minutes 2:00 – 2:30 P.M. Room 8	Let's Talk About Sex & PrEP: District Two Does! Establishing PrEP Services across the entire thirteen-county district with training, binder of resources, and continued support. Working through the challenges and seeking the needs of our patients is the goal. PrEP Services is more than just STI testing and prevention medication. PrEP Services is about educating the health care providers, educating the patients, and working together to prevent HIV transmission. » Assess and evaluate the needs for PrEP Services in district or county health centers.	Chrissa Shaffer, BSN, RN
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 2:00 – 2:30 P.M. Room 11	Propensity-Score Matching Beginning and Experienced Farmers on Stress and Coping Mechanisms to Predict Suicidal Ideation The suicide rate among farmers is much higher than that of the overall working population. Literature on farmer mental health in Georgia has been scarce and mostly focused on farmer suicide. This study looks at the influence of being a beginning farmer (less than 10 years of experience) on farm-related stressors and coping mechanisms by using a stratified propensity score matching technique. » Describe the influence of farming experience on suicidal ideation.	Anne Montgomery, PhD Stephanie Basey, PhD Chris Scoggins, MPH Lily Baucom
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 2:00 – 2:30 P.M. Room 4	Building Adaptive Leaders in the Southeast: The Impact of the R-IV PHTC's Leadership Institute Since 2019, the Region IV Public Health Training Center has offered a regional leadership institute to help emerging public health leaders develop essential adaptive leadership skills needed to address complex public health challenges in uncertain times. Sharing data from the first four cohorts of the institute, this presentation will illustrate the impact of the leadership institute on adaptive leadership skill development and application to practice. » Discuss how the Region IV PHTC Leadership Institute advances adaptive and strategic leadership skills. » Describe the impact of the leadership institute on adaptive leadership skill development and application to practice.	Melissa "Moose" Alperin, EdD, MPH, MCHES Carolina Darbisi, PhD Laura M. Lloyd, MPH, MCHES Brandy Walker, PhD Elizabeth Kidwell, MPH, CHES Emily Saunders, EdD
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 2:00 – 2:30 P.M. Room 10	Screening America's New Arrivals: Characterization of Refugees Seen at DeKalb Public Health The DeKalb Public Health's Refugee Health Program provides screenings, testing, immunizations, and other services to the county's newly arrived refugees. The program aims to eliminate barriers that could impact resettlement success. Using screening data from 2020 through 2022, this study provides insights into the demographics and health status of refugees resettling in DeKalb County, home to the most refugees in Georgia. » Describe the demographics and health of refugees seen by DeKalb Public Health.	Haley A. Liakakos, MSPH Lucas O'Reilly, MPH Jane Scott, MD Calvin Patimeteeporn, MSPH Gertrude Charles, RN Sandra J. Valenciano, MD, MPH

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<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 2:00 – 2:30 P.M. Room 5</p>	<p>Positive Childhood Experiences: The Future of Child Well-Being Programming</p> <p>This workshop will show participants how to incorporate positive childhood experiences (PCEs) into their existing work preventing child abuse and neglect. Real world examples from several established projects will be discussed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Demonstrate the importance of incorporating PCEs into Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) programming. » Describe the relationship between PCEs and ACEs. Formulate practical implications to incorporate PCES into existing ACEs programming. 	<p>Grace Morrow, MPH</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 2:00 – 2:30 P.M. Room 7</p>	<p>Parasitic Worms in Middle Georgia: Connecting Data Points to Advance Health Equity</p> <p>This presentation will describe how environmental health and epidemiology programs can utilize public health program data to inform program practices, identify gaps in services, and to support the long-term goal of achieving health equity. A review of the outcomes of a project related to parasitic worms (helminths) and septic system failures will be used as an example.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Demonstrate how existing public health data can be used to advance health equity.. 	<p>Amber Erickson, DrPH, MPH Carla Coley, REHS Julia Jensen, MPH</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 70 minutes 2:00 – 3:10 P.M. Room 9</p>	<p>Building Momentum Toward a Fully Funded State Public Health System*</p> <p>Creating a sustainable public health infrastructure and re-imagining the role that a state public health system can play in addressing the social determinants of health requires state-level investments. In this workshop, the presenter will share research findings that outline current and historical barriers limiting Georgia’s public health’s success and highlight public health infrastructure ‘wins’ from other states. Then, we, as a group, will do an interactive brainstorm to answer the question: “How might we transform Georgia’s state public health system?”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Explain at least one way in which state policymaking and state budget impact Georgia’s public health infrastructure. <p>* Not eligible for CE</p>	<p>C. Leah Chan, MPH</p>

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ROUNDTABLES 3A.1 30 minutes 2:00 - 2:30 P.M. Room 2	Effectiveness of DSMES in a Rural Public Health Setting Can DSMES effectively occur in a rural, public health setting? The South Central Health District is the first public health district in Georgia to obtain DSMES accreditation through the ADA. We will share data that supports the effectiveness of diabetes education in a rural, public health setting. » Determine the effectiveness of an accredited DSMES program in a public health setting.	Melissa Brantley, MPH, MCHES Megan Brantley, CHES
ROUNDTABLES 3A.2 30 minutes 2:00 - 2:30 P.M. Room 3	Mobilizing for Safer Communities Through Green Dot As public health professions grow, Green Dot training will empower everyone to expand the role of bystanders beyond reactive but engage in proactive behaviors that model and endorse norms that are incompatible with violence. The ultimate goal is not to simply react to potential violence as it is occurring, but rather to simultaneously shift community norms that support the violence that is occurring. » Discuss how to engage witnesses to interrupt situations that are imminently or potentially high-risk for violence.	Katrishia Williams, BS, MS Megan McIntosh, BS, MPH
ROUNDTABLES 3A.3 30 minutes 2:00 - 2:30 P.M. Ben Porter Salon	Obesity Among Georgian Adults During Pre- and Post-COVID-19 Pandemic: A National and Regional Comparison This workshop will provide an overview of how obesity in Georgia changed after the COVID-19, compared to national and regional averages. » Compare the trend of obesity in Georgia to that of the rest of the United States during pre- and post- COVID-19 pandemic.	Biplab Datta, PhD Jennifer E. Jaremski, MPA Kit Wootten Lorriane Odhiambo, PhD Catherine Clary, JD J. Aaron Johnson, PhD

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WORKSHOP 30 minutes 2:40 – 3:10 P.M. Room 8	Building Connections and Partnerships: Addressing Fall Prevention Across the Lifespan Community, evidence-based fall prevention programs play an important role in promoting health and well-being across the lifespan. Georgia Department of Public Health Injury Prevention Program has found success in community-based approaches to fall prevention. By engaging in robust state-based data and surveillance, strengthening strategic collaborations and partnerships, and monitoring the effectiveness of evidence-based community programs, Georgia is motivated to reduce risk factors for falls through implementation of the Fall Prevention Nature Walk, a community-based initiative. » Identify risk factors for falls, discuss prevention strategies, and engage with local partners and resources.	Megan Passineau, MPH DeAndre Cain, MPH
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 2:40 – 3:10 P.M. Room 11	“A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words”: Improving Access to Firearm Injury and Death Data The Georgia Violent Death Reporting System (GA-VDRS) is a population-based surveillance system that provides valuable context about fatal violent events. The Firearm Injury Surveillance Through Emergency Rooms: Georgia Approach (FASTER-GA) improves the timeliness and dissemination of nonfatal firearm injury data. Each program utilized their respective data to create public-facing visualization tools that serve as a resource for statewide and community-level intervention and prevention. » Locate publicly available and user-friendly data visualization tools used to communicate violent death and firearm related injury data.	Rana Bayakly, MPH Adan Oviedo, MPH Elizabeth Blankenship, MPH
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 2:40 – 3:10 P.M. Room 4	Personal Health Advice and Artificial Intelligence: An Assessment of ChatGPT Responses for Common Health Conditions in the Southern United States Our assessment of AI-generated information on common health conditions gives a glimpse of what the future holds for patients seeking information related to their health status. We assessed ChatGPT responses and evaluated their appropriateness for use by the public and found some concerns with the quality of the information, although we were pleasantly surprised by the lifestyle modifications and self-care suggestions it offered. » Describe the status of AI-generated health responses related to common health problems as well as the readability statistics of a typical response.	Will Evans, PhD, MCHES Julie Harrison-Swartz, RN, DNP, FNP Harrison Ndetan, PhD, DrPH, MD Jennifer J. Locklear, RN, PhD John Moore, PhD Mary Kozub, RN, PhD Earnie Kaninjing, DrPH Damian Francis, PhD Josie Doss, RN, PhD Crystal Johstono, RN, BSN Debbie Greene, RN, PhD

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WORKSHOP 30 minutes 2:40 - 3:10 P.M. Room 10	Integrating Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE) Screening in Public Health: Data, Models, and Collaborative Dialogues Explore the integration of Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE) screening in public health practices. This session presents data on ACEs' health impacts, reviews successful state models for ACE screening and referral, and leads a deliberative dialogue on optimizing these procedures for healthier communities. » Analyze and compare various state models of ACE screening and referral, and articulate the advantages and challenges associated with these approaches.	Ryran Traylor, MBA Jessica Traylor, EdD
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 2:40 - 3:10 P.M. Room 5	Engaging Public Health Students in Providing Nutrition Education to Elementary School Students This presentation will describe methods and outcomes of engaging public health students in an experiential service learning assignment that included the development, implementation, and evaluation of nutrition education to third grade students in an urban school district. » Describe methods, challenges, and facilitators of working with public health students to develop and implement nutrition education to third grade students in the local public school system.	Rebecca Larson, DrPH, MS, MA Reid Johnson MaKenzie Friend
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 2:40 - 3:10 P.M. Room 7	Descriptive Evaluation of Critical and Non-Critical Violations of Food Inspection Scores in Macon-Bibb County, Georgia, FY 2019-2023 This session will provide a descriptive, five-year trend analysis of the critical and non-critical violations documented by Environmental Health Specialists in the Macon-Bibb County Health Department from FY 2019 through FY 2023. This analysis is being used to determine areas of workforce development for EHS team members, identify common violations, and develop key talking points to reduce foodborne illness risk factors and promote preventive public health measures. » Identify compliance practices in food service facilities and describe the difference between critical and non-critical practices. » Review trend analysis report and identify appropriate interventions for severity of violation patterns. » Devise a trend analysis report and compose interventions specific to the county or community of interest.	Jessica Lawrence, MPH



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<p>ROUNDTABLES 3B.1 30 minutes 2:40 – 3:10 P.M. Room 2</p>	<p>A Call Center Reinvented: One Public Health District’s Journey in Communicating the Message of a Healthier Georgia</p> <p>How one Public Health District continues to reinvent the District Call Center for improved operations and communication across a sixteen-county service area in Georgia.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Describe the continuous efforts of a District Call Center to improve communication and delivery of service. » Implement improvement strategies for a District Call Center to best communicate the message of a healthier Georgia. 	<p>Cindi R. Hart, RN, MSN Courtney Chapman</p>
<p>ROUNDTABLES 3B.2 30 minutes 2:40 – 3:10 P.M. Room 3</p>	<p>Teenage Pandemic Stress: Exploring the Relationship Between Gender, Pandemic-Related Stress, and Parent Perceptions of Stress</p> <p>This presentation illuminates the mental health crisis undergone by adolescent girls during the pandemic through four logistic regression models that explore the relationship between pandemic-related stress, child gender, and parental underestimation of their child’s pandemic-related stress. Following the presentation, the group will discuss the "why" of the gender difference and "how" to fix it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Describe the relationship between adolescent pandemic-related stress, gender, and parental underestimation of their child’s pandemic stress. 	<p>Morgan Fleming, MPH Andrew Simkus, MSc Kristen Holtz, PhD Nicole Wanty, MA Eric Twombly, PhD</p>
<p>ROUNDTABLES 3B.3 30 minutes 2:40 – 3:10 P.M. Ben Porter Salon</p>	<p>Investment in Communication Initiatives Yields Positive Results for Georgia’s Specialized Mental Health Treatment Program</p> <p>The Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) partnered with Banyan Communications to rebrand, develop, and launch the Georgia Light microsite - designed for young people, families, caregivers, physicians, and health care professionals in Georgia. Investment in communications programs including targeted promotional efforts led to greater awareness of specialized mental health treatment programs and increased the number of referrals to these programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Describe a benefit of using communication to increase awareness of a public health program. 	<p>Jana M. Scoville, MBA Ellen Dean, LCSW</p>

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WORKSHOP 30 minutes 3:25 - 3:55 P.M. Room 8	Building Bridges for Health: Collaboration Between Public Health and Schools During COVID-19 Follow-Up and Beyond Building Bridges for Health explores the development and growth of the partnership between a school district and local public health through innovative surveillance methods designed to increase disease surveillance and community health overall. » Describe how establishing strong community partnerships with school systems can strengthen public health surveillance.	Mallory F. Hazell, MPH Anna K. Genetti, MPH Lynne P. Meadows, MS, BSN, RN Sasha Smith, MPH Lynn Paxton, MD, MPH
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 3:25 - 3:55 P.M. Room 11	Impact of Physical Fitness on Mental Health Among First Responders: Public Health Implications The health of a community is dependent upon engaged, healthy first responders. Yet, research indicates first responders to be at five times the risk for mental health problems, including PTSD, depression, and generalized anxiety (Wright et al, 2022). Understanding factors that mitigate adverse mental health outcomes among first responders is critical for public health. » Evaluate the impact of physical fitness on mental health among first responders. » Describe effective public health interventions that could contribute to mitigate adverse mental health outcomes among this population.	Helen W. Bland, PhD Hope Young Taylor Bishop Ana Palacios, MD, PhD, MA Bridget Melton, EdD, CDCD, TSAC-F
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 3:25 - 3:55 P.M. Room 4	A Qualitative Review of Preventable Pregnancy-Associated Mental Health Deaths in Georgia, 2018-2019 Mental health is a leading cause of pregnancy-related deaths in Georgia. This session will explore the mental health conditions and health care experiences of those who had a preventable pregnancy-associated mental health death in Georgia over 2018-2019. » Describe mental health conditions among those with a pregnancy associated death in Georgia and their engagement with the healthcare system.	Margaret Master, MBA, MPH, CHES Katie Kopp, MPH Chloe Barrera PhD, MPH Sarah C. Blake PhD, MA Autumn Watson, MPH Courtney Daniels LCSW, PMH-C Monica Garcia-Osuna, RN

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<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 3:25 - 3:55 P.M. Room 10</p>	<p>Mapping Community Needs: Visualizing the Social Vulnerability Index and Stroke Hospitalization Dynamics for Informed Interventions</p> <p>Data is critical for policy decisions and healthcare planning. Dashboards facilitate the presentation of related public health data in an easily understandable and interactive manner. Georgia DPH is presenting a data dashboard, showcasing spatially visualized stroke burden in relationship with social vulnerability index at the census tract level. The presentation will demonstrate features and potential uses for stakeholders in informed decision-making.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Identify the spatial distribution and intersections of socially vulnerable and stroke-burdened census tracts in Georgia. 	<p>Bennett Rissier, MPH Moges Ido, PhD Rana Bayakly, MPH</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 30 minutes 3:25 - 3:55 P.M. Room 7</p>	<p>An Assessment of Modifiable Risk Factors for Dementia Among Georgians Experiencing Cognitive Decline</p> <p>Cognitive decline occurs among older adults and can be one of the earliest noticeable symptoms of dementia. Addressing risk factors at specific life stages promotes a healthy brain and potentially prevents dementia. This presentation examines select modifiable mid-life and later life risk factors for dementia among Georgians experiencing cognitive decline.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Define subjective cognitive decline. » Describe the burden of subjective cognitive decline among older adults in Georgia. » Describe the impact of other chronic health conditions on the development of cognitive decline. 	<p>Kimberly Erukunuakpor, PhD, MPH</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 70 minutes 3:25 - 4:35 P.M. Room 9</p>	<p>Strengthening Georgia's Public Health Infrastructure and Workforce: A Qualitative Analysis of Focus Group Data</p> <p>Georgia's public health system is stretched thin. This strain was exacerbated during COVID-19. To better understand these dynamics and identify opportunities to strengthen public health in Georgia, Georgians for a Healthy Future held focus groups with public health workers (PHWs). This presentation will describe the themes of these discussions and resulting recommendations with the aim of creating a shared understanding and action plan among PHWs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Discuss PHWs' views of the strengths, challenges, opportunities, and needs of Georgia's PH system, including whether the results are consistent with learners' own views. 	<p>Knetta Adkins, MS</p>



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ROUNDTABLES 4A.1 30 minutes 3:25 - 3:55 P.M. Room 2	Don't Just Tell Me, Show Me: How to Present Public Health Data to Any Audience Discover how to collect and consolidate public health data from a variety of secondary sources to develop effective communication and dissemination products for diverse audiences and stakeholders, including presentations, community health data profiles, data briefs & executive summaries, and data dashboards. Health metrics of discussion include demographics, health factors (e.g. social conditions of health), preventative health, and health outcomes (morbidity & mortality). » Describe methods for consolidating secondary health data into easily disseminated print and digital media formats.	Beonca Brown, MPH
ROUNDTABLES 4A.2 30 minutes 3:25 - 3:55 P.M. Room 3	Plasticizers, Pregnancy, and Stress, Oh My! Stress Enhances Relationship Between Plastic Chemicals and Infant Neurodevelopment The best time to intervene in an individual's life is during development, before health conditions have arisen. This presentation will describe the results of research investigating whether maternal stress during pregnancy can impact the relationship between exposures to ubiquitous environmental chemicals, specifically phthalates, and infant neurodevelopment. » Identify potential maternal mental health symptoms that may exacerbate the effects of environmental exposure on infant brain development.	Katherine Springer, BS Jasmin Eatman, MS Patricia A. Brennan, PhD Anne L. Dunlop, MD, MPH Dana Boyd Barr, PhD Elizabeth J. Corwin, PhD, MSN Donghai Liang, PhD, MPH Stephanie M. Eick, PhD, MPH Parinya Panuwet, PhD Grace E. Lee, MPH
ROUNDTABLES 4A.3 30 minutes 3:25 - 3:55 P.M. Ben Porter Salon	Unintentional Injury Deaths and Suicide in Frontier Areas—Georgia, 2015-2021 Presentation will describe the leading causes of injury deaths in Georgia (through 2022) and present statistics overall and by urban, rural, and frontier counties (2015-2021). Presentation will also describe flagship prevention resources developed by CDC's Injury Center. » Describe leading causes of injury deaths in Georgia and discuss ways to prevent them.	Karin A. Mack, PhD Judy Qualters, PhD, MPH Andrea Carmichael, MPH Avital Wulz, MPH, LMSW Dana Flanders, MD, DSc, MPH

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WORKSHOP 30 minutes 4:05 - 4:35 P.M. Room 8	Reaching Parents and Guardians of Middle School Students Through New 'Understanding Vaccines' Magazine and Lesson Plans Vaccine hesitancy reached an all-time high during the COVID-19 pandemic. Faculty from the University of Georgia Extension united forces with Georgia 4-H to develop an approach designed to engage adult learners. The goal of the project was to increase science and vaccine literacy in rural Georgia by developing a vaccine literacy curriculum for middle school students which included activities for home family conversation and completion. <ul style="list-style-type: none">» Explain sources of vaccine misinformation.» Discuss one approach for developing a youth-focused science literacy effort to combat vaccine misinformation.» Describe how a youth-focused science literacy effort can be used in other science-literacy promotions.	Maria Bowie, DrPH, MPA, BS Lauryn Gilmer, MS, BS Virginia Brown, DrPH Kasey Bozeman, MS, BA Taylor Neither, MPH, BS
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 4:05 - 4:35 P.M. Room 11	Utilizing Shared Risk and Protective Factors to Engage Partners and Enhance Collaboration Efforts The Georgia DPH Injury Prevention Program (IPP) has two driving principles: addressing intentional and unintentional injury across the lifespan and utilizing the shared risk and protective factors (SRPF) framework. Participants will explore how the SRPF drives the formation of strategic partnerships across sectors, builds capacity, ensures program sustainability through opportunities for diversified funding, and expands reach. <ul style="list-style-type: none">» Describe shared risk and protective factors between multiple forms of violence including child abuse and neglect, gang violence and dating violence.» Identify potential areas of collaboration within local communities that address the linkages between risk and protective factors and the likelihood of children, youth, and families experiencing violence and negative health outcomes.» Formulate plans to incorporate partner engagement into implementation activities within your organization, community, or program.	Nykita Howell, MPH DeAndre Cain, MPH
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 4:05 - 4:35 P.M. Room 4	Prenatal Care Visits and Infant Birth Weight in Georgia: Using CDC 2016-2020 PRAMS Data This presentation delves into the intricate relationship between prenatal care utilization and birth outcomes. Analyzing CDC's PRAMS data from 2016 to 2020, our study uncovers crucial insights, shedding light on the need for targeted interventions to address maternal and infant health disparities in Georgia. <ul style="list-style-type: none">» Identify the importance of prenatal care in preventing or reducing pregnancy complications for mothers and improving infant health outcomes, including preterm birth, LBW, and mortality by assessing the risk factors.	Tobi Oloyede Emmanuel Azu Elizabeth Olayinka

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WORKSHOP 30 minutes 4:05 - 4:35 P.M. Room 10	Impact of the Opioid Prevention Program in North Central Health District This presentation will highlight the efforts and impact of the North Central Health District opioid program and discuss the benefits of using informatics software to assist with public health program planning. <ul style="list-style-type: none">» Discuss the local impact of the Opioid Program in the North Central Health District.» Identify gaps that can be used to guide further program planning.» Describe how secondary and primary data can be used to improve community outreach programs.	Amber Erickson, DrPH, MPH Marissa Cooling Ramona Barnett, MPH
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 4:05 - 4:35 P.M. Room 5	Cultivating Care: The Transformative Role of Doulas in Maternal Health at the Center for Black Women's Wellness To better serve their pregnant and parenting clients, the Center for Black Women's Wellness expanded their home visitation program to include doula services. Clients who received these services had a positive birth experience and were empowered to navigate their perinatal journey effectively. <ul style="list-style-type: none">» Describe the positive impact of doula services on clients of a home visitation program.	Kimberley Broomfield-Massey, PhD Aruba Butool, MPH Tosi Adeniyi-Miller Asha Immanuelle, MAS, BSN, PHM-C, RN Sandra-Lily Lantum, MPH Jemea Dorsey, MS
WORKSHOP 30 minutes 4:05 - 4:35 P.M. Room 7	Public Health for All: Harnessing Community Epidemiology for Health Equity, North Central Health District, GA This presentation will describe the discipline of community epidemiology, how the North Central Health District Epidemiology staff have prioritized this approach, and the partnerships and projects it has produced, emphasizing its potential to identify and explore the health equity drivers for community health. <ul style="list-style-type: none">» Define the emerging discipline of community epidemiology.» Describe how North Central Health District Epidemiology staff have used community epidemiology to better understand and respond to health equity drivers of community health.	Mareike Haaren, MSPH Amber Singleton, MPH Marissa Cooling, BS Amber Erickson, DrPH, MPH

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ROUNDTABLES 4B.1 30 minutes 4:05 - 4:35 P.M. Room 2	A Stressful Situation: A Mediation Analysis of Racial Disparities in COVID-19 Severity and Chronic Stress The COVID-19 pandemic revealed disparities across race. While many suspected that limited healthcare access, flexibility to work virtually and follow quarantine guidance, and access to reliable information were to blame, little is known about the causes of racial disparities in COVID-19. Racial minorities also experience disproportionate levels of stress. Thus, we investigated chronic stress as a potential mediator of Black-White disparities in severe COVID-19. » Conclude that Black-White disparities in COVID-19 severity can be partially explained by differences in chronic stress levels.	Miranda M. Montoya MPH Jennifer C. Gander, PhD, MSPH Shakira F. Suglia, ScD Bennett McDonald, MPH Shivani Patel, PhD, MPH Teaniese Davis, PhD, MPH Rachel E. Patzer, MPH, PhD Ram Jagannathan, PhD Larissa Teunis, MPA Jessica L. Harding, PhD
ROUNDTABLES 4B.2 30 minutes 4:05 - 4:35 P.M. Room 3	Self-Management Practices Among Adult Americans with Diabetes: A Study of the 2017-2020 National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey Diabetes has become a substantial public health issue with steadily increased prevalence, and controlling diabetes remains an ongoing challenge. Evidence demonstrates that people with diabetes benefit from compliance with self-management practices to control their condition and prevent complications. We examined the longitudinal 2017-2020 National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey to provide a snapshot of self-management practices among adult Americans with diabetes. » Discuss the escalating challenges of managing diabetes and its complications.	Tran Ha Nguyen, DrPH, MPH, MT(ASCP)SC Amanda Barefield, EdD, RHIA, LNHA Gianluca De Leo, PhD, MBA Lindsay Chandler
ROUNDTABLES 4B.3 30 minutes 4:05 - 4:35 P.M. Ben Porter Salon	Georgia's Abortion Landscape from 2010-2022: Assessing Trends in Abortion Incidence, Weeks' Gestation, and Methods Georgia serves as a hub for abortion access in the Southeastern US, yet access in the state has grown increasingly restricted due to state policies restricting abortion care. This presentation will explore abortion incidence in Georgia over the last decade in the context of this increasingly restrictive environment, most notably Georgia's new ban on abortion past ~6 weeks of pregnancy. » Describe trends in abortion incidence in Georgia from 2010-2022. » Describe trends in abortion by weeks' gestation and abortion method in Georgia from 2010-2022. » Describe variation in abortion incidence in Georgia following implementation of a ban on abortion in early pregnancy.	Sara K. Redd, PhD, MSPH Hayley V. McMahon, MPH Whitney S. Rice, DrPH, MPH

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TIME PLACE	TITLE DESCRIPTIONS OBJECTIVES	LEAD PRESENTER & CO-AUTHORS
WORKSHOP 60 minutes 9:45 - 10:45 A.M. Room 8	Public Health Ethics: Practical Approaches for Ethical and Equitable Public Health Practice Public health officials regularly face competing ethical, legal, and professional obligations, such as fairly allocating scarce resources and ensuring that risks and benefits are equitably distributed. Public health ethics provides a theoretical basis and practical frameworks for addressing challenges that commonly arise in public health practice. This session explores how systematic ethical analysis can identify concerns, improve public health decision-making, and build public trust. » Apply tools of public health ethics to common challenges faced in public health practice to improve public health decision-making, justify public health action, build public trust, and promote equitable health outcomes.	Micah H. Bass, MPH Eva C. Bodin, MBE
WORKSHOP 60 minutes 9:45 - 10:45 A.M. Room 9	Smoke-Free Georgia: Gaps and Opportunities for Protecting All During this presentation, learn about the efforts that have taken place over the last two decades to protect Georgians from the harmful effects of secondhand smoke. Discussion will center around successes, as well as the existing gaps that the state faces to fully protect all, and the opportunities that we each have to make a difference. » Understand the smoke-free policies that have been adopted at the state and within local municipalities across Georgia. » Recognize the differential impact of smoke-free policies on various demographic groups. » Understand the importance of protecting vulnerable populations (e.g., children, pregnant women, individuals with health conditions) from secondhand smoke.	Laura Bracci, MPH Michael Mumper
WORKSHOP 60 minutes 9:45 - 10:45 A.M. Room 11	Georgia's Medical Support Shelter: Hurricane Preparedness and Planning for Functional Medical Needs Individuals Explore part of the statewide response to coastal Georgia hurricane evacuations at this presentation. The Georgia Department of Public Health Division of Emergency Preparedness introduces a revised Medical Support Shelter plan for those with Functional Medical Needs. Learn about this updated operational strategy ensuring comprehensive care during evacuations and enhancing public health resilience in the face of coastal challenges. » Identify the three phases of emergency preparedness.	Nyssa Owen Santos, MPH, CHES Keilondria Robertson, MPH, LMSW, GA-CEM



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WORKSHOP 60 minutes 9:45 - 10:45 A.M. Room 4	Exploring Perspectives on Equity in Public Health: An Interactive Workshop Equity at the center of public health...what does that mean to you? Join other public health professionals in this interactive workshop and participate in an ongoing research project to reveal nuances in the prevailing perspectives of how we operationalize equity in public health. You'll sort some cards, collaborate with others, and even get to analyze the data generated in the room. » Discuss their perspective on equity in public health. » Collaborate with other public health professionals in operationalizing approaches to equity in public health practices.	Brandy Walker, PhD Carolina Darbisi, PhD Melissa "Moose" Alperin, EdD, MPH, MCHES Laura Lloyd, MPH, MCHES Emily Saunders, EdD Elizabeth Kidwell, MPH, CHES
WORKSHOP 60 minutes 9:45 - 10:45 A.M. Room 5	Closing the Gap Between Nutrition Knowledge and Real Life Application: Simple Tips on Healthy Eating Diet has a profound effect on overall health, but eating healthy can be challenging in many ways. The purpose of this presentation is to provide applicable ways to eat a diet to support health and prevent and/or treat chronic disease. » Identify and compare the six essential nutrients. » Describe three simple ways to improve nutritional value in the diet.	Amy Jo Riggs, PhD, RDN, LD
WORKSHOP 60 minutes 9:45 - 10:45 A.M. Room 7	More Taboo Than Tattoos: An Introduction to Invasive and Unusual Body Art Procedures In the evolving landscape of self-expression, tattoos and piercings have become prominent symbols of personal identity over the past few decades. Despite their increasing popularity, certain body modifications and body art procedures remain taboo. Join us as we learn about the history of body art regulation, prohibited body art procedures, and the tools used during prohibited body art procedures. » Describe prohibited body art procedures and the tools used.	Joseph Austin Addison, DHSc, REHS, CHES

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WORKSHOP 60 minutes 11:00 – 12:00 P.M. Room 8	Are We Listening? Approaches to Community-Centered Needs Assessment This session will explore opportunities to center community members in a statewide needs assessment. We will discuss how we garnered community input for new SNAP-Ed programs in the State of Georgia. More specifically, we will focus on how we used the principles of equitable evaluation to center the voices of the community and identify strengths, challenges, and solutions to accessing healthy food and active living. » Explain the mixed method approach to inform the needs assessment. » Describe a community-based approach to data collection. » Identify key barriers and facilitators to healthy eating and active living.	Mikayla Gallo, MPH Latresh Davenport, MPH Amanda Tyler
WORKSHOP 60 minutes 11:00 – 12:00 P.M. Room 9	Reclaiming American Healthcare: Medicare for All* We have the components of the world's best healthcare system, and yet millions of Americans have insurmountable barriers to getting the care they need. We'll focus most of this workshop on a solution hiding in plain sight: improving Medicare, and providing that to all Americans. We'll share evidence that this will improve our nation's health while reducing what we spend on healthcare. » Understand the landscape of American healthcare in the context of global health. » Describe a solution to reclaim our position as international leaders. * Not eligible for CE	Ed Weisbart, MD
WORKSHOP 60 minutes 11:00 – 12:00 P.M. Room 11	Precision Public Health: Empowering Communities with Hyperlocal Data for Targeted Interventions and Improved Outcomes In public health, there has traditionally been a focus on data that can be aggregated across geographies. A precision public health approach based on this focus, however, is more theoretical than actionable. The foundation for designing true precision interventions can and should be built by focusing instead on an actionable framework for collection and governance of community-owned data. » Define community level components that can be implemented to create a framework for actionable community owned data and resulting insights, allowing for the design of precision interventions at the community level.	Michaela Bonnett, MPH Meaghan Kennedy, MPH Teri Garstka, PhD Odiraa Okala
WORKSHOP 60 minutes 11:00 – 12:00 P.M. Room 4	Targeting Measurable Health Actions Using a Theory-Structured Blinded Focus Group Process Workshop participants will demonstrate principles of the application of the theory-structured focus group process to a targeted health priority. Participants will use a fishbone design and rating template, which can be used for creating evidence-based measurable targeted messages and programing. The semi-anonymous format permits more open discussion of difficult and controversial topics, as well as a greater number of participants. » Apply principles of the theory-structured blinded focus group process to a targeted health priority.	P. Anthony "Tony" Gryffin, PhD LaVondra T. Scarver, MSA

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<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes 11:00 – 12:00 P.M. Room 10</p>	<p>Overcoming Barriers: Enhancing Sexual Health Services for Atlanta's Latino Community</p> <p>Explore the barriers faced by Latino gay and bisexual men in Metropolitan Atlanta in accessing sexual health services. We gathered community feedback from users of a widely accepted citywide peer-navigation service. We examined additional challenges in service delivery, including extended waiting periods, issues of language accessibility, and other navigational challenges.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Describe the main barriers to accessing sexual health services in the Latino Gay and Bisexual Men living in Metropolitan Atlanta reported from direct peer-navigation feedback. 	<p>Carlos S. Saldana, MD Raul Perez Karina Gonzalez Jane Y. Scott, MD David P. Holland, MD Valeria D. Cantos, MD</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes 11:00 – 12:00 P.M. Room 5</p>	<p>The Impacts of Collaboration and Partnerships Between Clinical and Non-Clinical Organizations in Managing HIV/AIDS Care</p> <p>Discussing the importance of collaboration and partnerships between clinical and non-clinical organizations in managing HIV/AIDS care and how it can improve viral load suppression and other health outcomes. Provide an opportunity to share experiences on how other organizations interact with their partners.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Identify examples of different partnerships that can have the potential to improve HIV care. 	<p>Jeremy Aguinaldo, MD, MPH, CPH, AAHIVS</p>
<p>WORKSHOP 60 minutes 11:00 – 12:00 P.M. Room 7</p>	<p>Advances in Testing, Public Education and Mitigation of Radon to Prevent Lung Cancer</p> <p>Radon is the leading environmental cause of cancer and is a preventable cancer risk; however, much is left to be done to prevent this significant public health concern in Georgia. This presentation will inform public health professionals about new research, mitigation and outreach focused on the prevention of radon-related lung cancer and open up potential opportunities to develop new collaborations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Discuss the health risks associated with exposure to radon and identify where to get radon tests for air and water. 	<p>Uttam K. Saha, PhD Pamela R. Turner, PhD Derek Cooper David Park</p>

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