

Conference Agenda
Heartland Global Health Conference 2019 November 15, 2019
Mercy College of Health Science, Des Moines, IA

8:00-8:45am Conference registration and check-in

Sponsor Tables Open-Poster Viewing
Sullivan Center Lobby

8:45-9:00am Welcome Address

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9:00-9:30am Keynote Address: "Policy and Politics: How the US became a leader in Global Health (and why we must continue)."

Charlie Harris | Associate Director, One Campaign

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Come learn about the role of advocacy in Global Health from Charlie Harris, Associate Director of US Membership Mobilization from The ONE Campaign. ONE is a global movement campaigning to end extreme poverty and preventable disease by 2030, so that everyone, everywhere can lead a life of dignity and opportunity. The ONE Campaign raises public awareness and educates policy makers about the importance of smart and effective policies and programs, which are saving the lives of millions of people living in the world's poorest countries. In this session you will hear how the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria was created with public health advocacy, and the importance of using your voice to be an advocate for health. This session shares how committed activists (in both parties), have gained political and congressional support from legislators to make possible the creation and passage of policies and programs that support health services to populations across the globe.

Breakout Sessions 1

9:35-10:20am Dispensing Hope in Kenya

Subtrack Human Rights

Presenter: Fr. George Komo and Jody Kunzweiler Family
Hope Charity Board of Directors

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A discussion of the effects of ignorance and indifference on the health of the desperately poor in the slums of Kenya, Africa and the benefits of simply organized Medical Camps conducted right where people live – not at a clinic! Education, Economic Empowerment, and direct Medical Services are our 3-pronged approach to better health and HOPE for our clients. This session discusses how Medical camps in Kenya not only provide basic health education and medical treatment but have also proven vital in detecting more serious medical conditions that might not otherwise have ever been recognized or treated. We'll share the process of organizing on-the-ground camps, which we've been doing for the past 10 years. The camps have become an integral part of bringing a measure of health awareness and medical relief to thousands of our friends in Kenya, while also providing job skills training and entrepreneurial opportunities for families in the slums.

9:35-10:20am Fossil fuel emissions and lung disease in Germany, China, and the US.

Subtrack: Environmental Health

Presenter: Elizabeth Queathem, PhD Grinnell College

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Since the 2016 Paris Agreement dealing with greenhouse gas emissions mitigation, adaptation, and finance, some countries have made significant progress reducing emissions, while others have not. The health consequences of fossil fuel use are manifold and complex, ranging from changes in the distributions of disease-transmitting insects to increasingly frequent storms and rising ocean levels. This talk will focus specifically on increases in particulates that cause lung disease, comparing recent data from Germany, China, and the United States, followed by an audience participation activity that models both changes and possible solutions to these problems.

10:20-10:30 am Break

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Breakout Sessions 2

10:30-12:00 pm

Workshop 1: “Advocacy in Action” A Training for Future Leaders

Presenters: Charlie Harris, Shawn Phetteplace, and Megan Berberich
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In this workshop participants will learn the Power of Advocacy. The ONE Campaign is an international campaigning and advocacy organization made up of more than 9 million members taking action to end extreme poverty and preventable disease-founded by Bono and other activists, ONE is strictly nonpartisan, and refers to advocacy actions as “catalytic actions.” The workshop will direct participants how to use personalized communication toward elected leaders to create impactful ways to influence the decision-making process. You will learn how as a current or future practitioner you can use your voice to help make sure no child dies from a preventable disease.

10:30-11:15am

**Human Trafficking Awareness Education and Evaluation
Among Healthcare Professional in Indonesia**

Subtrack: Human Rights

Presenter: Shannon Findlay, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics
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Human trafficking is a global human rights issue affecting more than an estimated 21 million people worldwide. Healthcare providers are in a unique role to identify and assist individuals affected by human trafficking. Moreover, since human trafficking often crosses international borders, multi-disciplinary approaches that consider global collaborations are essential to a strong anti-trafficking movement. With those principals in mind, a partnership was built with two Indonesian Universities, the Universities Gadjah Mada (UGM) in Yogyakarta and the Universities Airlangga in Surabaya. Together our collaborations developed several conferences that targeted increased awareness and knowledge among local healthcare providers, professional groups, and students.

10:30-11:15am

Environmental Health and Justice in Alaska:

Field Practicum and Documentary titled *Pulling Teeth from a Polar Bear*

Subtrack: Environmental Health

Presenter: Jacqueline Curnick, University of Iowa
Sullivan Center 130

St. Lawrence Island is located in the Bering Sea between Alaska and Russia. During the Cold War, it was used as a United States military site for communication and observation. In the years after the military left, some community members noticed rising rates of disease and cancers that had been previously unknown in the community. Over the past decades, the St. Lawrence Island community and the group Alaska Community Action on Toxics have been fighting to prove environmental contamination and advocating for remediation of their land. Unfortunately, there are many other challenges and concerns for the Yupik people such as adequate health access, climate change, and generational emotional trauma.

Breakout Sessions 3

11:20-12:00pm

Water and Health in a Warming Climate: Flooded by need, Evaporating supply

Subtrack: Environmental Health

**Presenters: Maureen McCue, University of Iowa; Blake Rupe,
University of Iowa; Vanessa Fizmer-Oraiz, University of Iowa; Kelly
Baker, University of Iowa**

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This panel discussion will cover the health implications of water access in a changing climate, the global alignment of ocean health and human health, the burden on women and children in low-income countries, and flood vulnerable communities.

11:20-12:00 pm

Current Migration Responses in Spain with International Comparisons

Subtrack: Human Rights

Presenter: Allexis Mahanna, University of Iowa

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Over summer 2019, the research project “Local Migration Responses: Comparative Case Studies of Algeciras & Barcelona, Spain” was conducted in order to depict an in-depth view of current migration responses in Spain, as funded by the Stanley Award for International Research at the University of Iowa. This comparative case study evaluated local migration policies and responses in two distinct areas of Spain, the port city of Algeciras and the urban center of Barcelona, through literary analysis and qualitative interviews.

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12:00-1:00pm Lunch and HGHC Achievement Award Presentation

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Breakout Sessions 4

1:00-2:50pm Workshop 2: Graduate School Applications Workshop

Presenter: Lexi Just, Graduate Admissions Officer,
University of Iowa College of Public Health
Sullivan Center 210

Description This workshop is intended for undergraduate students interested in learning more about the graduate school admission process and post-baccalaureate opportunities.

1:00-1:45 pm Health inequities on Maternal Child Health: Infant mortality rates for African American Woman

Subtrack: Maternal and Child Health

Presenter: Lynette Cooper, DNP, University of Iowa
Sullivan Center 102

This presentation will discuss racial disparities relating to maternal-child healthcare and outcomes within the United States. It will also discuss the historical context and conditions that created and contribute to these disparities.

1:00-1:45 pm Healthcare Access in Latin America: Status and Challenges Subtrack:
Health Care Access

Presenters: Sally Haack, Drake University; Sara Shuger Fox,
Central College; Sara Johnston, Drake University; John Rovers, Drake
University

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According to Healthy People 2020, access to health services means, "the timely use of personal health services to achieve the best health outcomes". Gaining access to health services requires three steps: (1) gaining entry into the health system; (2) a geographically accessible location where health care is provided; (3) finding a health care provider. In this presentation, we will discuss issues related to health care access in four settings in Latin America: Mexico, Peru, Belize, and Costa Rica.

1:45-2:00 pm Break

Breakout Sessions 5

2:00-2:45pm The Borgen Project
Subtrack: Health Care Access

Presenter: Vanessa Hyde, The Borgen Project
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The Borgen Project is an innovative, national campaign that works with U.S. leaders to improve their response to the global poverty crisis. This is not limited to but includes lack of access to healthcare, proper nutrition, and proper farming techniques. Through congressional relations, mobilization, education and our issue message, access to health will become more accessible to these poverty-stricken nations.

2:00-2:45pm A Comprehensive Evaluation of Breast Density Notification Laws: Introducing a Quasi-Experimental Bootstrapping Algorithm for Cancer Disparities Research

Subtrack: Maternal and Child Health

Presenter: Jason Semprini, University of Chicago
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This study aimed to develop a neighbor-based, quasi-experimental bootstrapping algorithm to comprehensively analyze the effect of breast density notification laws across the United States.

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Breakout Sessions 6

2:50-3:30 pm

A Rights-based Approach to Women's Health

Subtrack: Maternal and Child Health

Presenter: Maryanne Menge, University of Iowa

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This program will provide an account of the women health challenges, discuss various human rights which should be fully integrated into Women's Healthcare, and discuss how to apply these rights-based approaches as measurable objectives and goals that are applicable to addressing women's health improvement priorities

2:50- 3:30pm

Cultural Considerations Related to Mental Health

Screenings in a Medically Underserved Community in Peru

Subtrack: Health Care Access

Presenter: Sara Johnston, Drake University

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This session will describe the process of working with community stakeholders to address the need for mental health screenings in primary care clinics in medically underserved communities worldwide, identify the benefits and barriers of using the PHQ-9 as a depression screening tool in culturally diverse settings in the U.S. and in Peru and evaluate the effectiveness of mental health screening and patient education materials in improving mental health literacy in medically underserved communities worldwide.

Breakout Sessions 7

3:35-4:15 pm

Types of resources, resource munificence, and kid Patient's satisfaction: A qualitative assessment

Subtrack: Maternal and Child Health Presenter: **Ariana**

Mitra, University of Iowa

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Healthcare resources vary considerably across nations. In developing countries, experts argue that limited healthcare resources pose significant barriers in treating basic illnesses faced by patients, specifically kids. The effects could be poor diagnosis to unavailability of a treatment. Based on volunteer experiences as an undergraduate pre-med student (University of Iowa) in hospitals in the US (University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, IA, USA), India (Soni Hospitals, Jaipur, India) and South Africa (Red Cross Children's Hospital, Sarah Fox Convalescent Hospital, Maitland Cottage Orthopedic Children's Hospitals, Cape Town, South Africa), this session will provide comparative qualitative information about consequences of variations in healthcare resources on risks/problems kids face in getting effective treatments.

3:35-4:15 pm

Traditional & Complementary Medicines in the Global

South: Is Science Making Access Worse?

Subtrack: Health Care Access

Presenter: John Rovers, Drake University

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Health, illness, and treatments in the Global South may be conceptualized quite differently from the biomedical model of illness typically used in the Global North. Unlike health care in the Global North, health care treatments are likely to include herbal medicines, naturopathy, acupuncture and various manual therapies as well as qigong, tai chi, yoga, or other physical, mental, spiritual or mind-body therapies. These diverse epistemological and therapeutic systems have resulted in health policies that appear to be in conflict with each other.

4:20-4:30pm

Poster Awards and Closing Remarks

THANK YOU!