Pre-Congress Symposium

Addressing Mental Health Disparities Across the Lifespan in Virginia
Presented by Health Equity Collaborative of Virginia
Monday, June 26, 2023, 12pm – 4:00pm
Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Canada

Objectives of Pre-Congress Symposium

- Describe the establishment and goals of the Health Equity Collaborative of Virginia specifically highlighting the Mental Health Subcommittee
- Provide the unique characteristics of Virginia including population demographics, mental health statistics, and community challenges contributing to mental health disparities
- Present specific strategies and collaborative activities aimed at reducing health inequities related to mental health across the lifespan of diverse populations including children, seniors, veterans and marginalized communities

Symposium Agenda 12:00pm – 4:00pm

12:00pm – 12:02pm Welcome
- Marilyn Bartholmae, PhD, Health Services Researcher, EVMS-Sentara HADSI

12:02pm – 12:22pm History of Health Equity Collaborative of Virginia & Silver Cloud Mental Health Project
- Sunita Dodani, MD, FCPS, MSc, PhD, FAHA, Founding Director, EVMS-Sentara HADSI

12:22pm – 12:35pm Brief overview of Demographics, Mental Health Disparities and Regional Partnerships Addressing Mental Health in the Commonwealth of Virginia
- Cynthia Romero, MD, FAAFP, Director, M. Foscue Institute for Community and Global Health, EVMS

12:35pm – 12:45pm Don’t Cut It Too Close: High Risk Screenings Mental Health Awareness at the Community Barbershops
- Ethlyn Gibson, DNP, MSN, RN-BC, Community Partnerships Research, EVMS and Riverside Health System

12:45pm – 12:50pm Q&A facilitated by Dr. Marilyn Bartholmae

12:50pm – 1:30pm Regional Psychiatric Emergency Department Program
- Stacey Johnson, President, Riverside Behavioral Health Center

1:30pm – 1:35pm Q&A facilitated by Dr. Marilyn Bartholmae

1:35pm – 2:15pm Partnerships Between Grassroots Communities and Health Systems to Advance Health Equity and Address Mental Health In Seniors
- Iris Lundy, RN, Senior Director of Health Equity
- Nedra Moncrief-Craig, BS, MBA, PhD, NHA, Systems Director, Behavioral Health Services Sentara Healthcare

2:15pm – 2:20pm Q&A facilitated by Dr. Marilyn Bartholmae

2:20pm – 3:00pm Community Engaged Approach to Opioid Misuse in Southwest VA
- Carlie Rafie, PhD, RDN, Cooperative Extension Specialist
- Karen Vines, PhD, Cooperative Extension Specialist
- Kathy Hospig, PhD, MPH, RD, Director, VT Center for Public Health Practice and Research
- Crystal Tyler-Mackey, PhD, Cooperative Extension Specialist
Virginia Cooperative Extension/Virginia Tech

3:00pm – 3:05pm Q&A facilitated by Dr. Marilyn Bartholmae

3:05pm – 3:45pm The Hampton VA Medical Center’s Mission to Reduce Disparities, Provide Access and Integrated Care to Veteran Population in Hampton Roads Community
- Sirish Mulpur, MD, MPH, Associate Chief of Staff for Education Research and Development Hampton Veterans Administration Medical Center

3:45pm – 3:50pm Q&A for Dr. Mulpur facilitated by Dr. Marilyn Bartholmae

3:50pm – 4:00pm Final Q&A and Adjourn by Dr. Marilyn Bartholmae