Supporting COVID-19 Response and Health System Resilience: What Needs to Be Done Next

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Meeting Objectives

- Identify priority action areas where the federal government and new administration could make an immediate impact on COVID-19 response and resilience
- Present and highlight Duke-Margolis work along with research and policy implications
- Discuss key challenges and implementation barriers and identify the tools and resources needed at the federal, state, and local levels to overcome them

2:00 pm  Welcome & Overview: Key Steps for COVID-19 Response

- Mark McClellan, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy

2:05 pm  Fireside Chat - The Current State of Vaccines and Therapeutics

- Mark McClellan, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy
- Scott Gottlieb, former Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration

2:20 pm  Prioritizing and Distributing a COVID 19 Vaccine

Session Objective: This panel will bring together experts in vaccine regulation and policy to address how state and federal leaders can address challenges related to coordinating distribution and administration efforts, supporting health equity in vaccine access and uptake.

Moderator: Hemi Tewarson, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy

Panelists:
- Grace Lee, Stanford University
- Jim Blumenstock, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials
- Helene Gayle, Chicago Community Trust (invited)

2:50 pm  COVID-19 Testing and Surveillance in the Long Winter Ahead

Session Objective: This panel will discuss how to reduce COVID-19 cases through efficient diagnostic testing, how to identify and prioritize routine screening testing for high-risk settings and populations, and how to solve key data and information challenges that accompany these efforts.

Presenter: Christina Silcox, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy

Moderator: Marta Wosinska, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy

Panelists:
- Mara Aspinall, Arizona State University
- Juliana Terheyden, Testing for America
- Alexis Madrigal, COVID Tracking Project

3:20 pm  Ensuring Delivery System Resilience

Session Objective: This panel will identify how new payment and delivery policies could
encourage a more resilient health care system, especially in responding to COVID-19 and future emergencies, promote equity and reduce disparities, and overall improve the affordability of health care.

Presenter: Rachel Roiland, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy
Moderator: Robert Saunders, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy
Panelists:
- Meena Seshamani, MedStar Health
- Patrick Conway, Care Solutions at Optum
- Sandra Wilkniss, Families USA

3:50 pm Closing Remarks
4:00 pm Adjournment