Sixteenth Annual Colloquium Program (Virtual)

**8:30–8:40 a.m.**

**Introduction & Welcoming Remarks**

Lenard W. Kaye, DSW, PhD, Director, Center on Aging and Professor, School of Social Work, University of Maine, Orono, ME; Kody Varahramyan, PhD, Vice President for Research and Dean of the Graduate School, University of Maine, Orono, ME; Susan Wehry, MD, Chief of Geriatrics & PI/Director, AgingME: Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP), Department of Primary Care University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine, Biddeford, ME

**8:40–9:20 a.m.**

**The Pandemic’s Impact on the Physical and Mental Health of Older Blacks, Asians and Hispanics**

Peter A. Lichtenberg, PhD, ABPP, Director Institute of Gerontology and Merrill Palmer Skillman Institute, WSU Distinguished Service Professor, Professor of Psychology, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI; Wassim Tarraf, PhD, Associate Professor, Institute of Gerontology & Department of Healthcare Sciences, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI

**9:25–10:05 a.m.**

**Designing Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Programs for Vulnerable Populations**

Jada Bussey-Jones, MD, Chief of General Medicine and Geriatrics, Grady Memorial Hospital and Director of Education, Urban Health Initiative, Emory University, Atlanta, GA

**10:10–10:50 a.m.**

**Preparing the Future Workforce for the Delivery of Equitable Older Adult Health and Human Services**

Robert Espinoza, MPA, Vice President of Policy, PHI, Bronx, NY

**10:50–11:10 a.m.**

**Break (Stretch, take a short walk, or just relax!)**

**11:10 a.m.–12:10 p.m.**

**Panel: Advancing Diversity, Equity & Inclusion in the Delivery of Age Friendly Health Care**

Facilitator: Jacqueline Friedman Kreinik, MS, RN, Nurse Consultant & Project Officer, Division Of Medicine & Dentistry, Bureau of Health Workforce, Health Resources & Services Administration, Rockville, MD

Panelists: Anna C. Faul, PhD, DipACLM, Executive Director and Professor, Certified Lifestyle Medicine Professional, Trager Institute, University of Louisville, Louisville, KY; Naushira Pandya, MD, FACP, CMD, Professor and Chair, Geriatrics Department at NSU; Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine, and Director, Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Center, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL; Aanand D. Naik, MD, Robert J. Luchi, MD Chair in Geriatric Medicine, and Director, Southeast Texas Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX

**12:10–1 p.m.**

**Lunch Break**

**12:20–12:50 p.m.**

**EngAging Project: Stories and Support for Health through Connection**

Grace Ellrodt, Presenting health/environment thesis project in completion of BA from Bates College. To preview: www.engagingproject.com

**1–2 p.m.**

**CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS**

**WORKSHOP A:** Understanding Why Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Are Important to Your Organization

Ayana King, CEO and Founder, Maximum Communications, LLC, Detroit, MI

**WORKSHOP B:** Best Practices with LGBTQ+ Older Clients and Patients

John Hennessy, Director of Advocacy and Networks, Episcopal Maine, Portland, ME

**WORKSHOP C:** We Are More Than Our Gray Hair: Rethinking Age and Ageism in the Healthcare Setting

Mary Lou Ciolfi, JD, MS, Program Manager, Center on Aging, University of Maine and Aging Services Consultant, Education - Consulting - Policy Research, Orono, ME

**WORKSHOP D:** Sensitizing Health and Human Services Providers to Racial Equity, Implicit Bias and Diversity Issues

David Patrick, MSW, Co-Founder, Racial Equity & Justice Firm, Bangor, ME; Desiree Vargas, Co-Founder, Racial Equity & Justice Firm, Bangor, ME

**2–2:20 p.m.**

Break (Stretch, take a short walk, or just relax!)

**2:20–3:20 p.m.**

**Panel: Lightning Panel: Promising DEI Practices in Maine Organizations**

Facilitator: Kelley Strout, PhD, RN, Director and Associate Professor, School of Nursing, University of Maine, Orono, ME

Panelists: Jess Maurer, JD, Executive Director, Maine Council on Aging; Noel Bonam, Maine State Director, AARP, Portland, ME; Jake Grindle, Senior Program Officer, Maine Health Access Foundation, Augusta, ME; Marwa Hassanien, MS, MEd, System Director, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Northern Light Health, Bangor, ME

**3:20–3:30 p.m.**

**Closing Remarks**

Lelia DeAndrade, PhD, Vice President of Community Impact, Maine Community Foundation, Portland, ME