

Preliminary Agenda

Traversing Divides: Interdisciplinary Research in Population Health and Health Disparities

October 1, 2019
Sheraton Seattle Hotel
Seattle, Washington

Overall workshop objectives are to help trainees:

- Learn the value of interdisciplinary collaboration and become sensitive to its challenges;
- Become aware of skills needed, and the resources available, for successful collaborations;
- Practice these skills with individuals of different disciplines; and
- Extend the range of disciplines with which they interact.

- 9:30 Welcomes and introductions – [Christine Bachrach](#) and [David Takeuchi](#)
- 10:00 Case study 1 – [Ana Diez Roux](#): Challenges and Lessons Learned in Integrating Social and Genetic Factors to Understand Health Disparities
- 10:30 Mentored Small Group Session 1: Idea Trees Orientation and First Exercise*
- Participants break into small groups to generate concepts, questions or hypotheses related to health disparities from multiple disciplinary perspectives.
- 11:30 Break
- 11:45 Mentored Small Group Session 2: Idea Tree Reflection and Discussion*
- Participants reflect on results of prior exercise, considering both the benefits of and challenges raised by considering health disparities issues through the lens of multiple disciplines.
- 12:30 Lunch (informal networking)
- 1:30 Case Study 2 – speakers TBN: Developing an Interdisciplinary Population Health Initiative for the University of Washington
- 2:00 Mentored Small Group Session 3: Practice Integrating Across Disciplines*
- Using one of the ideas generated earlier, groups consider how they might develop a study that would integrate knowledge across 2-3 disciplines and multiple levels of analysis.
- 3:15 Break
- 3:30 What does research have to say about interdisciplinary collaborations and communication and how challenges can be navigated – [Dan Stokols](#)
- 4:15 Plenary discussion of lessons learned, remaining questions, and next steps – All participants
- 4:30 Networking

*Confirmed mentors include [Nancy Adler](#), [Donald Chi](#), [Sara Curran](#), [Anjum Hajat](#), [Dan Stokols](#); others TBN.