

# Forum on Medical and Public Health Preparedness for Disasters and Emergencies: Meeting 44

AGENDA – July 12, 2023

Virtual Meeting

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2023**

## Purpose

- Receive a briefing on the March 2023 workshop *Future of the Nation's Laboratory Systems for Health Emergency Response*.
- Hear about the unique experiences, challenges, and opportunities for Indigenous American and rural underserved populations in health emergency preparedness and response.
- Discuss how medical and public health emergency management systems can better serve indigenous and rural underserved populations.
- Receive a briefing on the Federal Plan for Equitable Long-Term Recovery and Resilience for Social, Behavioral, and Community Health.
- Determine priority topics for Forum activities in 2023-2024.

## SESSION I: WELCOME REMARKS

**11:00 AM      Opening Remarks and Overview of the Agenda (10 min)**

**Suzet McKinney**, *Forum Co-Chair*  
Principal, Director of Life Sciences  
Sterling Bay

**W. Craig Vanderwagen**, *Forum Co-Chair*  
Co-Founder and Director  
East West Protection, LLC

## SESSION II: DEBRIEF ON FUTURE OF THE NATION'S LABORATORY SYSTEMS FOR HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKSHOP

**Objective:** Receive a briefing on the March 2023 workshop *Future of the Nation's Laboratory Systems for Health Emergency Response* and reflect on workshop discussions and related critical work that remains.

**11:10 AM      Workshop Debrief (10 min)**

**Asha M. George**, *Workshop Chair*  
Executive Director  
Bipartisan Commission on Biodefense

**Q&A (10 min)**

### **SESSION III: INDIGENOUS AMERICAN PERSPECTIVES ON PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE, AND RECOVERY**

**Objectives:** 1) Hear from Indigenous American leaders, community members, and frontline responders about experiences during health emergencies; 2) Discuss the impacts of grants for mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery, on Indigenous American communities and tribes; 3) Explore how Indigenous American perspectives are integrated into health emergency policies and programs, and identify opportunities for better integration and alignment.

**11:30 AM**

#### **Panel on Indigenous Health Perspectives (45 min)**

**Timothy Collins, Panel Moderator**

Senior Epidemiologist

Alaska Native Epidemiology Center

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

**Jill Jim**

Public Health Infrastructure & Accreditation Programs Director

National Indian Health Board

**Jessica McKee**

Tribal Foundational Public Health Services Coordinator and

Emergency Response Lead

American Indian Health Commission

**Frank James**

Health Officer

San Juan County and Nooksack Indian Tribe

**12:15 PM**

#### **Facilitated Discussion (45 min)**

**W. Craig Vanderwagen, Forum Co-Chair**

Co-Founder and Director

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**1:00 PM**

#### **Lunch Break (30 min)**

### **SESSION IV: PERSPECTIVES FROM RURAL UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS ON PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE, AND RECOVERY**

**Objectives:** 1) Hear from leaders, community members, and frontline responders from rural underserved communities, including from African American farming communities, and rural disabilities communities, about experiences during health emergencies; 2) Identify challenges, successes, and opportunities to improve mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery in rural underserved areas.

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1:30 PM

### Panel on Rural Underserved Health (45 min)

**Marcie Roth, Panel Moderator**

Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer  
World Institute on Disability

**Bryan Norris**, Deputy Chief

**Andrew Estrada**, Deputy Chief  
San Antonio Fire Department

**Diane Hall**

Acting Director  
Office of Rural Health  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

**Emily Bartlett**

Emergency Medicine Physician  
Gallup Medical Center  
Indian Health Service

2:15 PM

### Facilitated Discussion (45 min)

**Suzet McKinney, Forum Co-Chair**

Principal, Director of Life Sciences  
Sterling Bay

## SESSION V: BRIEFING ON THE FEDERAL PLAN FOR EQUITABLE LONG-TERM RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE FOR SOCIAL, BEHAVIORAL, AND COMMUNITY HEALTH

Objective: Hear about the Federal Plan for Equitable Long-Term Recovery and Resilience for Social, Behavioral, and Community Health and the interagency working group engaged in this effort.

3:00 PM

### Federal Plan for Equitable Long-Term Recovery and Resilience For Social, Behavioral, and Community Health (10 min)

**Erin McDonald**

Senior Advisor  
Lead, Equitable Long-Term Recovery and Resilience Plan  
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

### Q&A (10 min)

3:20 PM

### Open Session Adjourns