KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Leandris Liburd, PhD, MPH, MA
Director of the Office of Minority Health and Health Equity at the Centers for Disease Control

In her role, she oversees the work of the CDC's Offices of Minority Health & Health Equity and Women's Health and of Diversity & Inclusion Management. In addition she provides agency leadership, direction and accountability for CDC's policies and programs to ensure they are effective in improving women's and minority health. She also serves as the agency's principal advisor on health equity issues with the Department of Health and Human Services other federal agencies, national organizations, academic institutions and the public.

Dr. Liburd is a respected public health leader who has over the course of her career championed community health promotion, chronic disease prevention and control, community engagement, eliminating health disparities and addressing the social determinants of health. She has worked in public health at the local, state and federal levels, and has held a variety of leadership positions at the CDC since joining the agency in 1987. Dr. Liburd published extensively on community-based public health approaches to chronic disease prevention and control, the influence of culture and gender on health beliefs and behaviors, and racial and ethnic health disparities. In 2010, she published her first edited volume Diabetes and Health Disparities: Community-Based Approaches for Racial and Ethnic Populations which serves as a key resource for those interested in socio-ecological approaches to reducing diabetes disparities.

Dr. Liburd holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, a Master of Public Health in health education from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and a Master of Arts in cultural anthropology and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in medical anthropology from Emory University.

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Howard Koh, MD, MPH
Former U.S. Assistant Secretary of Health for the Department of Health and Human Services

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Jonathan Woodson, MD
Former Assistant Secretary of Health Affairs for the U.S. Department of Defense

PROGRAM

12:00p
Welcome Remarks
J. Larry Jameson, MD, PhD
Executive Vice President, University of Pennsylvania for the Health System
Dean, Perelman School of Medicine

12:05p
Welcome Remarks & Keynote Speaker Introduction
Eve J. Higginbotham, SM, MD
Vice Dean for Inclusion and Diversity
Senior Fellow, Leonard Davis Institute and Professor of Ophthalmology

12:10p
Keynote Lecture
Leandris Liburd, PhD, MPH, MA
Director of the Office of Minority Health and Health Equity at the Centers for Disease Control (CDC)
"Health Equity: At the Intersection of Public Health and Medicine"

12:45p
Q & A

1:00p
Special Musical Performance

1:30p
Closing Remarks
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Deborah Prothow-Stith, MD
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