



Michigan Health Policy Fall Forum

November 9, 2015 – 1:00 p.m.

Kellogg Center Auditorium

55 S. Harrison Road

East Lansing, MI 48824

Social Determinants of Health: The Front Line in the Battle to Improve Health

- 1 p.m. Welcome: Dean G. Sienko, MD, Director, MSU Institute for Health Policy
- 1:05 p.m. Issue Update: Nick Lyon, Director, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
“Status of the Healthy Michigan Program Waiver”
- 1:20 p.m. Keynote Presentation: Gail C. Christopher, DN, Vice President for Policy and Senior Advisor, W. K. Kellogg Foundation
“Social Determinants of Health: The Key to Improved Health Status and Lower Healthcare Costs”
- 2:05 p.m. Break
- 2:15 p.m. What’s Happening in Michigan?
- Renee Branch Canady PhD, CEO, Michigan Public Health Institute – Moderator
“Advancing Health Equity: A Leadership Imperative”
- Susan Moran, MPH, Senior Deputy Director, Population Health and Community Services
“State Strategies to Support Population Health”
- Barbara Petee, Chief Advocacy and Government Relations Officer, ProMedica
“Hunger as a Health Issue”
- Katherine Mitchell, LMSW, Project Director, Michigan Community Health Workers Alliance
“Community Health Workers in Michigan: Addressing Social Determinants in the Community and Clinic”
- Mary Ellen Benzik, MD, Co-Assistant Medical Director, Michigan Primary Care Transformation Project
“Integrating Social Determinant as a Tool in the Primary Care Practice”
- 3:30 p.m. Questions and Answers
- 4:00 p.m. Closing Comments: Dennis Paradis, MPH, Executive Director, Michigan Health Policy Forum

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