

Food is Medicine Policy Update

Monday, October 28, 2024
Watergate Hotel, Washington DC



Agenda

7:30 am – 5:00 pm
Registration Open

7:30 am – 8:45 am
Morning Coffee and Breakfast

8:45 am – 9:00 am
Welcome and Opening Remarks

Speaker:

- **Rick Leach, Strategic Advisor on Food Security and Public Health; Chairperson, FoodMed Certified Advisory Board; Founder and Former CEO, World Food Program USA**

9:00 am – 10:00 am
Fireside Chat: Why Food is Medicine is Essential Within the Healthcare Delivery System

In this panel discussion, hear perspectives on how tailored programs that prioritize food, nutrition, and other lifestyle medicine approaches are crucial to slow the progression of and/or reverse diet-related diseases which is a leading cause of death/disability in the United States. Gain insights into why GLP-1's cannot be successful without lifestyle- and food-based interventions to move toward sustained outcomes improvement and behavior change.

Speakers:

- **Anand Parekh, MD, Chief Medical Advisor, Bipartisan Policy Center**
- **Livleen Gill, MBA, RDN, LDN, FAND, President, Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics**

10:00 am – 10:15 am

Pre-recorded video address by Congressman McGovern

10:15 am – 10:45 am

Networking Break

10:45 am – 12:45 pm

Panel Discussion: Federal Agencies' Perspectives: Progress Report on the National Strategy

This panel will report on the actions/policies of the USG in accordance with the administration's national strategy launched at the White House Conference in 2022. The session will include representatives from relevant federal agencies who will report on progress achieved and proposed next steps to further the FIM goals.

Speakers:

- **Sakeenah Shabazz, Senior Policy Advisor, Food and Nutrition Services, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)**
- **Nicholas Jury, PhD, Director of Legislative Affairs and Policy, Office of Nutrition Research, National Institutes of Health (NIH)**
- **Rachel Fisher, Senior Advisor and Co-Lead, HHS Food is Medicine Initiative, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP), Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH), United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)**
- **Robin McKinnon, PhD, Acting Director, Nutrition Center of Excellence, FDA Human Foods Program**
- **Anne Utech, PhD, RDN, LD, National Director, Nutrition & Food Services, Veterans Health Administration (VHA)**
- **Gina Plata-Nino, Former Senior Policy Advisor, Nutrition and Agriculture, Domestic Policy Council, The White House**

Moderator:

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12:45 pm – 1:45 pm
Networking Lunch

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm

Panel Discussion: Stakeholder Updates on Commitments: Where Are We Today and Where Do We Go from Here?

Hear updates from healthcare stakeholders on the progress of their commitments to build healthy communities, enable systemic change, and expand access to food and nutrition programs.

Speakers:

- **Pamela Schwartz, MPH, Executive Director, Community Health, Office of Community Health, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan and Hospitals**
- **Sarah Fleisch, Senior Director, Policy Research and Development, Instacart**
- **Mark Dinglasan, MBA, Executive Director, New Jersey Office of the Food Security Advocate (OFSA)**

Moderator:

- **Richard H. Hughes IV, Member of the Firm, Epstein Becker Green**

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Panel Discussion: Stakeholder Update on the Challenge Accepted to Implement a Comprehensive Data-Centric Procurement Strategy to Drive Affordability and Food Accessibility to CBOs and Nutrition Providers

Hear the latest updates from public and private sector stakeholders on the progress of their commitments to realign the American food system with the mission to end hunger using a transformative food service management platform enabled by AI technology that addresses the problems of food access and affordability while positioning community-based providers to reduce food costs and mitigate food deserts.

Speakers:

- **Jenny Schrum PhD, MSW, MPH, Research & Evaluation Strategy Manager, NJ Office of the Food Security Advocate (OFSA)**
- **Jeff Moreland, CEO, Chief Patient Officer, Patient Engagement Advisors**
- **Paul Breitenbach, CEO, R4**

Moderator:

- **Chris Erickson, Managing Director, Parsonage Lane Advisors**

4:00 – 4:15 pm

Closing Remarks

Speaker:

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4:15 pm - 5:00 pm

Networking Reception

