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for Californians**

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Presents

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Saturday, October 25, 2025; 8:00am - 4:45pm

8:00 AM REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST

8:30 AM WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Manali Patel, MD, MPH, MS, FASCO, *Stanford University*

Session 1: Implementation and Policy

Session Moderator: **Luis Carvajal-Carmona**, PhD, *University of California, Davis*

8:35 AM POLICY - AN OVERVIEW FOR MAKING CHANGE & ADVOCACY

Steve Lee, MD, *The Permanente Medical Group*

9:00 AM CANCER POLICY RESEARCH EXAMPLE

Kim Rhoads, MD, MS, MPH, FACS, *Massey Comprehensive Cancer Center at Virginia Commonwealth University*

9:25 AM VA IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMS TO IMPROVE CARE

Pankaj Gupta, MD, *VA Long Beach Healthcare System*

9:50 AM IMPLEMENTATION AND POLICY PANEL

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Panelists:

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Kim Rhoads, MD, MS, MPH, FACS, *Massey Comprehensive Cancer Center at Virginia Commonwealth University*

10:15 AM COFFEE BREAK AND EXHIBITION

Session 2: The Bigger Picture

Session Moderator: Ninez Ponce, PhD, MPP, UCLA Center for Health Policy Research

10:40 AM PLACE, SPACE, AND DNA

Ninez Ponce, PhD, MPP, UCLA Center for Health Policy Research

11:05 AM ENVIRONMENTAL EXPOSURES AND CANCER

Kristina Thayer, PhD, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA)

11:30 AM WHAT WE DRINK

Max Aung, PhD, MPH, University of Southern California

1:55 AM THE BIGGER PICTURE PANEL

Session Moderator: Ninez Ponce, PhD, MPP, UCLA Center for Health Policy Research

Panelists:

Max Aung, PhD, MPH, University of Southern California

Ninez Ponce, PhD, MPP, UCLA Center for Health Policy Research

Kristina Thayer, PhD, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA)

12:20 PM LUNCH

Session 3: The Promise or Perils of AI, Machine Learning, and Big Data

Session Moderator: Manali Patel, MD, MPH, MS, FASCO, Stanford University

1:20 PM USING AI TO IMPROVE CANCER CARE DELIVERY

Travis Zack, MD, PhD, OpenEvidence

1:45 PM AVOIDABLE PITFALLS AND LESSONS LEARNED IN USING AI TO IMPROVE GOAL CONCORDANT CARE

Finly Zachariah, MD, FAAFP, FAAHPM, FAMIA, City of Hope

- 2:10 PM CALIFORNIA HEALTHCARE POLICY TRENDS IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
David Gonzalez, JD, *Gonzalez Government Consulting*
- 2:35 PM EVALUATING IMPACT OF AI ON SAFETY NET
Kekoa Taparra, MD, PhD, MPH, *University of California, Los Angeles*
- 3:00 PM THE PROMISE OR PERILS OF AI, MACHINE LEARNING, AND BIG DATA PANEL
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- Panelists:**
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Finly Zachariah, MD, FAAFP, FAAHPM, FAMIA, *City of Hope*
Travis Zack, MD, PhD, *OpenEvidence*
- 3:40 PM MEETING WRAP UP
Manali Patel, MD, MPH, MS, FASCO, *Stanford University*
- 3:45 PM EXHIBITION AND RECEPTION
- 4:45 PM MEETING ADJOURNS