

Latin America: Synergizing Health Research Across the Hemisphere

November 1 – 2, 2022

Meeting Objectives

The workshop is envisioned as a platform to discuss research opportunities to reduce health and health care disparities related to non-communicable diseases (NCDs) with the highest disease burden and mortality in Latin America and among U.S. Hispanics/Latinos. A central interest of the workshop is to discuss strategies—especially current or potential interventions—in countries from which most U.S. Hispanics/Latinos identify their heritage, resulting in mutual benefit to both U.S. Hispanic/Latino communities and Latin America.

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Please note that daylight saving time for some countries (e.g., México) ends on Sunday, October 30, but it does not end until November 6 in the United States. Please check the time for your time zone.

DAY 1 – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

All times listed are Eastern Daylight Time (UTC -4)

8:30 AM	Welcome <i>Larissa Avilés-Santa, MD, MPH, FACP, FACE, Director, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD), Chair of the Workshop Planning Committee</i> <i>Constanza Camargo, PhD, Earl Stadman Tenure-Track Investigator, Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics, National Cancer Institute, Co-Chair of the Workshop Planning Committee</i> <i>Michelle Doose, PhD, MPH, Program Official, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities, Co-Chair of the Workshop Planning Committee</i>
8:40 AM	Introductory Remarks <i>Eliseo J. Pérez-Stable, MD, Director, NIMHD, Bethesda, MD, United States</i>

8:45 AM	<p>Health Profile of U.S. Hispanics/Latinos and Latin America</p> <p>Hispanics/Latinos in the U.S.: Embracing Better Health for All <i>Larissa Avilés-Santa, MD, MPH, FACP, FACE, NIMHD, Bethesda, MD, United States</i></p> <p>Overview of NCDs in Latin America <i>J. Jaime Miranda, MD, MSc, PhD, FFPH, CRONICAS Center of Excellence in Chronic Diseases, at Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia (UPCH), Lima, Perú</i></p>
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Advances in Clinical Research

Topic 1: Diabetes

Moderator: Larissa Avilés-Santa, MD, MPH, FACP, FACE, Director, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, NIMHD

9:05 AM	<p>Primary Prevention of Type 2 Diabetes - Is It Feasible in the Real World? <i>Pablo Aschner, MD, MSc, Javeriana University, San Ignacio University Hospital, Colombian Diabetes Association, Bogotá, Colombia</i></p>
9:15 AM	<p>The Magnitude of the Diabetes Problem <i>Juan José Gagliardino, MD, PhD, CENEXA. Centro de Endocrinología Experimental y Aplicada (UNLP-CONICET-Ce As CIC PBA) Facultad de Ciencias Médicas UNLP, La Plata, Argentina</i></p>
9:25 AM	Panel Discussion/Q&A
9:45 AM	Break

Topic 2: Cardiovascular Diseases and Risk Factors

Moderator: Larissa Avilés-Santa, MD, MPH, FACP, FACE, Director, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, NIMHD

9:55 AM	<p>Cardiovascular Disease in Latin America: Epidemiology and Public Policies <i>Fernando Lanas Zanetti, MD, MSc, PhD, Universidad de La Frontera, Temuco, Chile</i></p>
10:05 AM	<p>Particularities in the Risk and Control of Cardiovascular Risk Factors in Latin America <i>Patricio López Jaramillo, MD, PhD, Universidad de Santander (UDES), Bucaramanga, Colombia</i></p>
10:15 AM	Panel Discussion/Q&A

Topic 3: Cancer

Moderator: Constanza Camargo, PhD, Earl Stadman Tenure-Track Investigator, Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics, NCI

10:35 AM	The Challenges of Cancer Burden and Control in Latin America and the Caribbean <i>Suyapa Bejarano, MD, La Liga Contra el Cancer, San Pedro Sula, Honduras</i>
10:45 AM	Current Scenario of Cancer Clinical Trials in Latin America <i>Gustavo Werutsky, MD, PhD, Latin American Cooperative Oncology Group, Porto Alegre, Brasil</i>
10:55 AM	Panel Discussion/Q&A
Topic 4: Pulmonary Diseases and Environmental Health <i>Moderator: Michelle Doose, PhD, MPH, Program Official, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, NIMHD</i>	
11:15 AM	The Situation of Respiratory Diseases in Latin America and México <i>Rogelio Pérez-Padilla, MD, National Institute of Respiratory Diseases, Ciudad de México, México</i>
11:25 AM	Environmental Determinants of Non-Communicable Diseases in Latin American Cities <i>Ana V. Diez Roux, MD, PhD, MPH, Drexel University Dornsife School of Public Health, Philadelphia, PA, United States</i>
11:35 AM	Panel Discussion/Q&A
11:55 AM	Lunch Break
Topic 5: Health of Older Adults <i>Moderator: Michelle Doose, PhD, MPH, Program Official, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, NIMHD</i>	
12:55 PM	Dementia in Hispanics Across Latin America and the U.S. <i>Jorge J. Llibre-Guerra, MD, Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO, United States</i>
1:05 PM	Unequal Life Exposures and Old Age Function in México <i>Rebeca Wong, PhD, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Galveston, TX, United States</i>
1:15 PM	Outcomes and Quality of Care Among Medicare Enrollees in Puerto Rico <i>Maricruz Rivera-Hernández, PhD, MEn, Brown University School of Public Health, Providence, RI, United States</i>
1:25 PM	Panel Discussion/Q&A
1:55 PM	Break

Topic 6: Best Practices and Lessons Learned in Clinical Research

Moderator: Larissa Avilés-Santa, MD, MPH, FACP, FACE, Director, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, NIMHD

2:05 PM	Health Care Quality at the Primary Level; How to Improve It and Decrease Its Costs <i>Juan José Gagliardino, MD, PhD, CENEXA. Centro de Endocrinología Experimental y Aplicada (UNLP-CONICET-Ce As CIC PBA) Facultad de Ciencias Médicas UNLP, La Plata, Argentina</i>
2:20 PM	Overcoming Barriers for Clinical Trial Implementation in Latin America <i>Jorge J. Llibre-Guerra, MD, Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO, United States</i>
2:35 PM	mHealth to Promote Smoking Cessation Among Latina Women. The Case of APPAGALO in Chile <i>Claudia Bambs, MD, MSc Epidemiology, Department of Public Health and Advanced Center for Chronic Diseases (ACCDiS), Faculty of Medicine, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Santiago, Chile</i>
2:50 PM	Successful Recruitment and Retention of Participants in Clinical Research and Clinical Trials <i>Carmen D. Zorrilla, MD, University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus (UPR-MS), San Juan, Puerto Rico</i>
3:05 PM	The Role of Implementation Science to Advance the Impact of Research in Public Health <i>Vilma Irazola, MD, MPH, PhD, Institute for Clinical Effectiveness and Health Policy IECS, CONICET, University of Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires, Argentina</i>
3:20 PM	Panel Discussion/Q&A

Health Care Systems and Advances in Health Care Research

Topic 7: Overview of Health Care Systems and Health Care

Moderator: Michelle Doose, PhD, MPH, Program Official, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, NIMHD

4:00 PM	Challenges and Advances in Health Care Systems and Public Health in Latin America <i>Ernesto Báscolo, PhD, Pan American Health Organization, Washington, DC, United States</i>
4:10 PM	Overview of the Health Care Systems and Health Research Landscape <i>Francisco Becerra Posada, MD, MPH, DrPH, Florida International University, Miami, FL, United States</i>

4:20 PM	Health Care Inequities in Puerto Rico <i>Alex Ortega, PhD, Drexel University Dornsife School of Public Health, Philadelphia, PA, United States</i>
4:30 PM	Panel Discussion/Q&A
Topic 8: Improving Access to and Continuity of Care for Persons from Underserved or Isolated Communities <i>Moderator: Constanza Camargo, PhD, Earl Stadman Tenure-Track Investigator, Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics, NCI</i>	
5:00 PM	Panel Discussion <i>Arachu Castro, PhD, MPH, Collaborative Group for Health Equity in Latin America at Tulane University, New Orleans, LA, United States</i> <i>Ana Lorena Ruano, PhD, Center for International Health, University of Bergen, Bergen, Norway</i> <i>María Amalia Pesantes, MA, MPH, PhD, Dickinson College, CRONICAS Centre of Excellence in Chronic Conditions, Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia, Lima, Perú</i>
5:45 PM	Adjourn

DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

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8:30 AM	Welcome <i>Larissa Avilés-Santa, MD, MPH, FACP, FACE, Director, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, NIMHD, Bethesda, MD, United States</i> <i>Michelle Doose, PhD, MPH, Program Official, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, NIMHD, Bethesda, MD, United States</i>
Health Care Systems and Advances in Health Care Research	
Topic 9: Best Practices and Lessons Learned: Embedding Clinical Research into Health Care Settings, and Health Services Research <i>Moderator: Larissa Avilés-Santa, MD, MPH, FACP, FACE, Director, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, NIMHD</i>	
8:35 AM	Strengthening NCDs Detection and Management in Primary Care Through MIDO <i>Eduardo Rodrigo Saucedo-Martínez, MSc, Carlos Slim Foundation, Ciudad de México, México</i>

8:50 AM	Improving Treatment Access and Health Communication for Hispanic/Latino Patients Through Advances in Computer Science <i>John Piette, PhD, MS, University of Michigan School of Public Health, Ann Arbor, MI, United States</i>
9:05 AM	Fostering Clinical Cancer Research in Latin America: Why and How <i>Gustavo Gössling, MD, Latin American Cooperative Oncology Group, Porto Alegre, Brasil</i>
9:20 AM	Costa Rica's Primary Health Care System: Lessons Learned <i>Madeline Pesec, MD, ScM, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, MA, United States</i>
9:35 AM	Panel Discussion/Q&A
10:15 AM	Break
Community-Engaged Research	
Topic 10: Best Practices and Lessons Learned: Effective Community-Engaged Research <i>Moderator: Jarrett A. Johnson, DrPH, MS, CHES, Program Official in the Division of Community Health and Population Science, NIMHD</i>	
10:25 AM	Effective Community-Engaged Research Strategies in Cancer Genomic Studies in Indigenous Populations in Perú <i>Tatiana Vidaurre, MD, MSc, MPH, Instituto Nacional de Enfermedades Neoplásicas (INEN), Lima, Perú</i>
10:40 AM	Examples of Community-Engaged Research on Telehealth for Low-Income Spanish-Speakers <i>John Piette, PhD, MS, University of Michigan School of Public Health, Ann Arbor, MI, United States</i>
10:55 AM	Community Engagement to Support Research Relevant to Communities in Puerto Rico <i>Carmen M. Vélez Vega, PhD, MSW, University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus, Center for Collaborative Research on Health Disparities (RCMI), San Juan, Puerto Rico</i>
11:10 AM	Effective Community Engagement for Research, Screening and Prevention of Eye Diseases in Venezuela <i>Gladys Maestre, MD, PhD, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley School of Medicine, Brownsville, TX, United States</i>
11:25 AM	Panel Discussion/Q&A

12:05 PM	Lunch Break
Cross-Cutting Topics	
Topic 11: Public Policies <i>Moderator: Carolina Solis Sanabria, MD, MPH, FACS, Program Official in the Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, NIMHD</i>	
1:05 PM	One Health in Action from Latin America Experiences – Successes and Challenges of an Unequal and Diverse World <i>Christina Pettan-Brewer, DVM, MSc, Post Doc (EDI CDC), One Health PhD, School of Medicine, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, United States</i>
1:20 PM	Science, Society and Health Policies to Tackle Chronic Diseases in Chile <i>Claudia Bambs, MD, MSc Epidemiology, Department of Public Health and Advanced Center for Chronic Diseases (ACCDiS), Faculty of Medicine, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Santiago, Chile</i>
1:35 PM	Policy Efforts on Cash Transfers and Violence Against Women in Latin American Countries <i>Merike Blofield, PhD, MA, University of Hamburg and the GIGA Institute for Latin American Studies, Hamburg, Germany</i>
1:50 PM	Panel Discussion/Q&A
Topic 12: Conceptualization of Race and Ethnicity <i>Moderator: Jarrett A. Johnson, DrPH, MS, CHES, Program Official in the Division of Community Health and Population Science, NIMHD</i>	
2:20 PM	Ethnoracial Classification in Latin America and Implications for US Latinos <i>Edward Telles, PhD, University of California, Irvine, CA, United States</i>
2:30 PM	Racism in Health Care Settings in Latin America: Impact on Health Services Utilization and Health Outcomes <i>Arachu Castro, PhD, MPH, Collaborative Group for Health Equity in Latin America at Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, New Orleans, LA, United States</i>
2:40 PM	Panel Discussion/Q&A
3:10 PM	Break
Topic 13: Genomics <i>Moderator: Rina Das, PhD, Director, Division of Integrative Biological and Behavioral Sciences, NIMHD</i>	

3:20 PM	Consortium for Genomic Diversity, Ancestry and Health in Colombia – Código <i>Leonardo Mariño-Ramírez, PhD, NIMHD, Bethesda, MD, United States</i>
3:30 PM	Autosomal Dominant Alzheimer's Disease in Colombia <i>Francisco Lopera Restrepo, MD, Universidad de Antioquia, Medellín, Colombia</i>
3:40 PM	The Road to Precision Medicine in Type 2 Diabetes <i>Carlos A. Aguilar Salinas, MD, PhD, Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Médicas y Nutrición, Ciudad de México, México</i>
3:50 PM	Achieving Equity in Breast Cancer Precision Prevention for Hispanic/Latina Women <i>Laura Fejerman, PhD, MSc, UC Davis Comprehensive Cancer Center, Davis, CA, United States</i>
4:00 PM	Pharmacogenomic Study of Clopidogrel in Caribbean Hispanics: Bridging the Gap to Reduce Healthcare Disparities <i>Jorge Duconge-Soler, PhD, MSc, BSPHarm, University of Puerto Rico School of Pharmacy, San Juan, Puerto Rico</i>
4:10 PM	Panel Discussion/Q&A
Reflections on the Last Two Days	
5:00 PM	Final Remarks <i>Larissa Avilés-Santa, MD, MPH, FACP, FACE, Director, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, NIMHD, Bethesda, MD, United States</i> <i>Michelle Doose, PhD, MPH, Program Official, Division of Clinical and Health Services Research, NIMHD, Bethesda, MD, United States</i>
5:15 PM	Adjourn