



Innovations in Public Health
Wednesday October 2, 2024 • Holiday Inn By the Bay
2024 Maine Public Health Association Conference Agenda

7:30am-8:15am	Registration, Breakfast, Networking & Exhibits (Foyer & Casco Bay Exhibit Hall)
8:15am-8:25am	Welcoming Song (Vermont/New Hampshire) Brett Lewey, Citizen of Passamaquoddy Nation
8:25am-8:55am	Welcome and Announcements (Vermont/New Hampshire) Rebecca Boulos, MPH, PhD, Jay Knowlton, MPH & Leo Waterston, MA (Maine Public Health Association)
8:55am-10:00am	Keynote Presentation: Walking Together, Learning Together: How Collaboration Across Sectors Can Drive Public Health Innovation (Vermont/New Hampshire) Mehul Dalal, MD, MSc, MHS (Connecticut Department of Social Services & Yale University School of Medicine)
10:00am-10:15am	Break
10:15am-11:15am	Plenary Panel: Innovative Strategies to Foster Community and Mental Well-being (Vermont/New Hampshire) Moderator: Allegra Hirsh-Wright, MSW (MaineHealth Center for Trauma, Resilience, and Innovation) Panelists: Christopher O'Connor (Equality Community Center), Justin Bondesen (NorthStar, Bryant Pond 4-H Center), Matt Brown (Living Room Crisis Center & Co-Founder of Hope Squad), Sarah Lewis (Maine Access Immigrant Network)
11:20am-12:20pm	Poster Session (Foyer) & Coffee Break/Exhibits (Casco Bay Exhibit Hall)
12:30pm-1:30pm	Lunch (Casco Bay Exhibit Hall)
1:45pm-2:45pm	Breakout Session #1
3:05pm-4:05pm	Breakout Session #2
4:15pm-4:30pm	Closing Remarks, Raffle Winners (Vermont/New Hampshire)
4:30pm	Adjourn

Lactation Room: Board Room (2nd Floor)

Presentation Formats

- In rooms with one presentation, the talk will last 50 minutes, with 10 minutes for questions.
- In rooms with two presentations, each talk will last 25 minutes, with 10 minutes for questions for both presenters.

*Denotes presenter/s

Poster Session: 11:20am – 12:20pm

Foyer

Disparities in Stage at Diagnosis for Breast, Lung and Bronchus, Colorectal and Prostate Cancers in Maine, 2017-2021 – *Kathleen Fairfield, MD, MPH, DrPH (MaineHealth)

Rollout of a Mobile Culinary Medicine Application Across a Rural Health System – *Lauren Ciszak, MD (MaineHealth)

Secondhand and Thirdhand Smoke and Pets – *Vicky Wiegman, MEd, CAS, Tobacco Treatment Specialist - Certified, PS-C (Healthy Androscoggin)

It's Worth the Try: An Innovative Tobacco Quit Support Curriculum for LGBTQ+ Youth – *Adlin Deering (Healthy Communities of the Capital Area) & *April Hughes, MPH, PS-C (Healthy Communities of the Capital Area)

Appointment-Powered Progress in Maine: Enhancing Maine QuitLink Connections with Personalized Scheduling – *Amy Giles, BA, NCNTT (MaineHealth) & *Shannon O'Brien, BA (MaineHealth)

Culinary Medicine for Chronic Disease Management – *Arabella Solari (MaineHealth) & *Katherine Sharp, MD, MPH (MaineHealth)

Evaluating Engagement and Collaboration Among Hospitals in the Maine Rural Maternal & Obstetrics Management Strategies (RMOMS) Network – *Molly Voit (MaineHealth)

Community Mattering StoryWalk: The Importance of Youth Mattering – *Sarah Young (Healthy Communities of the Capital Area) & *April Hughes, MPH PS-C (Healthy Communities of the Capital Area)

The Impact of Harm Reduction Education on Clinician Knowledge, Attitude, and Stigma of People Who Use Drugs – *Allison Walker-Elders, MPH, OMS-II (MaineHealth Institute for Research) & *Kinna Thakarak, DO, MPH (MaineHealth Institute for Research)

From Data to Doorsteps: Designing a Targeted Outreach Campaign with the Maine Tracking Network – *Val Johnstone, MPH (City of Portland Public Health) & Chloe Dietrich (City of Portland Public Health)

Unlocking Health: A Roadmap for Connecting the Uninsured to Vital Resources – *Kim Beaudoin (MaineHealth) & *Kathy Pipkin (MaineHealth)

Medically Tailored Meals for Patients with Heart Disease in Rural Maine: Lessons Learned and Next Steps – *Emily Follo, MD, MPH (MaineHealth)

Evaluating the Extent Access to Prescribed Medications Impacts Healthcare Utilization and Health Outcomes – *Carol Zechman, MSW, LCSW (MaineHealth), Karen Deschaies (MaineHealth) & *Tim Cowan, MSPH (MaineHealth)

The Relationship Between Food Insecurity and Substance Use Disorder in Maine – *Lauren Ciszak, MD (MaineHealth)

The Psychosocial Effects of Rurality on Patients with Type II Diabetes – *Charlotte Collins, BS (MaineHealth Institute for Research) & Liz Scharnetzki, PhD (MaineHealth Institute for Research)

Assessing the Effectiveness of Boot Camp Translation for Lung Cancer Screening Awareness: A Process Evaluation – *Olivia Weeks (MaineHealth Institute for Research) & Liz Scharnetzki, PhD (MaineHealth Institute for Research)

Responding to Public Health Requests for More Training in Maternal Mental Health: A Collaboration between the RMOMS Network, Public Health Nursing, and Maine Families Home Visitors – *Katherine Crothers, MPH, BSN, RN (MaineHealth Center for Health Improvement) & *Celia Demos, BSN, RN, CLC (Maine CDC)

Socioeconomic and Location-Based Risk Factors Associated with Financial Sacrifices Among Cancer Patients – Lina Gomez, BS candidate (Universidad de los Andes) & *Jessica DiBiase, MPH (MaineHealth Institute for Research)

A Preliminary Investigation into the Assessment, Prevalence, Pattern, and Predictors of Psychosocial Distress in Gynecological Cancer Patients treated at MaineHealth – Ethan Furr (MaineHealth Institute for Research), *Liz Scharnetzki, PhD (MaineHealth Institute for Research) & Kevin Stein, PhD, FAPOS (MaineHealth Institute for Research)

Distribution of Harm Reduction Access in Rural Maine Areas (DHARMA): Drug Checking Activities for Identifying Substances in Community Drug Supply – *Francesca Piccolo, MS, MPH (MaineHealth Institute for Research) & Chasity Tuell (DHARMA)

Helping People Overcome Barriers to Seeking Community Resources: The Patient Assistance Line Approach – *Ryan Bouchard, MEd (MaineHealth)

Implementing and Evaluating Electronic Consultations

– *Brianna Holston, BSPH (University of Southern Maine) & Andrew Solomon, MPH (MCD Global Health)

Data Visualization Strategies to Provide Interactive, Accessible, and Equitable Maternal and Child Health Surveillance Data to Partners

– *Andrea Lenartz, MPH (University of Southern Maine) & Fleur Hopper, MPH, MSW (University of Southern Maine)

Assessing Nonfatal Intentional Self-Harm Emergency Department and Inpatient Events and Intervention Opportunities Using Maine All Payer Claims Data

– *Kimberley Fox, MPA (University of Southern Maine) & *Bridget Noe, MS (University of Southern Maine)

Assessing Dental Home Utilization Among Maine Children: Dental Insurance Does Not Guarantee Access to Care

– *Kimberley Fox, MPA (University of Southern

Maine) & *Apsara Kumara (University of Southern Maine)

Linking Vital Records to Reportable Disease Data to Improve Surveillance of Syphilis Infection During Pregnancy in Maine

– *Lexi Wilhelmsen, MPH (CSTE/Maine CDC)

Drive Time Changes to Birthing Hospitals from 2014 to 2022 in Maine

– *Lexi Wilhelmsen, MPH (CSTE/Maine CDC)

Using Evaluation to Empower Community Health Work

– *Rachel Gallo, MPH (University of Southern Maine) & Hayley Prevatt, MPH (City of Portland Public Health Division)

The 3i HoME Model: A Paradigm Shift -- Independent Housing Options for Maine People with Disabilities and Complex Needs

– *Paul Linet, JD (3iHoME)

Breakout Session #1: 1:45pm – 2:45pm

Foyer

Posters Available for Viewing

Massachusetts Room

Shining a Light on Prevention, Harm Reduction, Treatment and Recovery in Lincoln County

*Larissa Rhea, MPH (Healthy Lincoln County) & *William Matteson, PPS (Healthy Lincoln County)

Empowering Recovery through Community Partnerships and Best Practice Patient Centered Care

*Tina Pettingill, MPH (Groups Recover Together), *Melissa Caminiti, RN, MPH (Groups Recover Together) & *Melissa Dunham, LCSW, CCS (Groups Recover Together)

New Hampshire Room

How to Swim Upstream: Leveraging Existing Resources to Screen for HRSNs and Address SDOH

*Eisha Khan, ALM (MaineHealth), *Naomi Schucker, MPH (MaineHealth) & Dora Ann Mills, MD, MPH, FAAP (MaineHealth)

Vermont Room

Panel Presentation: Serving our Communities "Boots On the Ground!"

*Jennifer Edwards (City of Auburn), *Catherine Ryder, LCPC, NCC, MS (Spurwink Services), *Detective Joe Philippon (Lewiston Police Department) & *Chief Robert Chase (City of Auburn Fire Department)

Connecticut Room

Nourishing Communities at the Farmers' Market

*Jimmy DeBiasi (Maine Federation of Farmers' Markets)

Responding to Local Healthy Food Access Needs: MaineHealth's Hospital-Based Food Pantries

*Rachel Freedman (MaineHealth) & *Gina McKenney, MPH (MaineHealth)

Rhode Island Room

South Portland Youth Transportation Leaders: How Public Health Can Support Youth-Led Advocacy

*Angela Giordano, MPH, PPS (Cumberland County Public Health), *Alexis Guy, MPH, RD (Cumberland County Public Health), Lee Anne Dodge, MS, PS-C (SoPo Unite), *Teta Keza (youth team member), *Divina Gomes (youth team member) & *Madolyn Roy (youth team member)

Oxford Room

A Public Health Response to Anti-Abortion Centers

*Cait Vaughan (Grandmothers for Reproductive Rights (GRR!)) & *Elayne Richard (Grandmothers for Reproductive Rights (GRR!))

One Size Does Not Fit All: Cancer Screenings and the LGBTQIA+ Community Experience

*Michelle Munsey, MA (Partnerships For Health) & *Michelle Mitchell, MSocSc (Partnerships For Health)

Somerset Room

Identification of Gaps in Care for Patients with Chronic Pain through the Establishment of a State-wide Pain Registry in Maine - Pain Registry for ME

*Ling Cao, MD, PhD, MPH (University of New England), *Penhleakhe Ou, OMS-II (University of New England), Elizabeth N. Bean (University of New England) & Wendy Y. Craig, PhD (MaineHealth)

Healthy Together: Revolutionizing Chronic Disease Management with Shared Medical Appointments

*Brenna Nelson, RD, LD, CLC (MaineGeneral Medical Center), *Julie Kaupin, CHES, RTY (MaineGeneral Medical Center), Anne Connors, MA, MPH (MaineGeneral Medical Center) & Alyssa Finn, MD (MaineGeneral Medical Center)

York Room

Relationship Between Childhood Trauma, Adverse Childhood Experiences, and Self-Management of Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetes

*Deserie O'Toole, PhD

Planting New Seeds: How Help Me Grow Maine Supports Children and Their Families Using Data to Advocate for Innovative Solutions

*Kelly Finck Waters, MPH, MEd (University of Southern Maine), *Melinda Corey, MEd (State of

Maine Office of Child and Family Services), Katherine Russum, LSW (State of Maine Office of Child and Family Services), Jessica Wood, LSW (State of Maine Office of Child and Family Services) & Fleur Hopper, MPH, MSW (University of Southern Maine)

Cumberland Room

Public Health's Vital Role in Creating a Culture of Healthy Aging in Maine Communities

*Valerie Jackson (Maine Council on Aging) & *Renee Page, MPH, CLC, PS-C (Healthy Communities of the Capital Area)

Kennebec Room

Project Lifeline: Community Collaboration Reconnecting Perinatal People to Care

*Alane O'Connor, DNP (MaineHealth/MaineMOM) & *Brandon Farley (Portland Fire Department)

Lincoln Room

Turning an Unequitable System on its Head: Using a Networked Approach to Build an Oral Health System that Works for All

*Kalie Hess, MPH (Children's Oral Health Network) & *Becca Matusovich, MPPM (Children's Oral Health Network)

Breakout Session #2: 3:05pm – 4:05pm

Foyer

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Massachusetts Room

Bringing Food Home in Lincoln County

*Larissa Rhea, MPH (Healthy Lincoln County)

Leveraging Farm-to-Institution as Public Health Strategy

*Alida Farrell, MS (Healthy Communities of the Capital Area)

New Hampshire Room

Improving Family-Provider Communication and Understanding About Developmental Screenings

*Sarah Lewis, MBA (Maine Access Immigrant Network), *Simane Ibrahim (Maine Access Immigrant Network), Cristina Nzumba (Maine Access Immigrant Network), Emilie Swenson (Data Innovation Project), Angela Mowatt (MaineHealth) & Christine Stam (MaineHealth)

Vermont Room

Community Health Worker Panel: Innovative Strategies to Enhance Public Health and Reduce Disparities

Moderator: *Benjamin Hummel, BA (Maine CDC, MCD Global Health)

Panelists: *Karen Garland-Kidder, RN (MaineHealth), *Alison Prior, *Michelle Mitchell, MSocSc (Partnerships For Health) & *Caitlyn Allen, MS (Partnerships For Health)

Connecticut Room

The Power of Care: A Joint Campaign to Promote Voluntary Vaccinations in Long-Term Care

*Angela Cole Westhoff, MA (Maine Health Care Association), Brenda Gallant, RN (Maine Long Term Care Ombudsman Program) & Maureen Carland, RN-BSN, LNHA (Maine Health Care Association)

A Population Modeling Approach to Characterizing the Health of Older Citizens of Maine

*Kevin Konty, PhD (Apriqot), Xinyan Liu (Apriqot) & Nicole Hewes (Apriqot)

Rhode Island Room

MaineHealth: Innovative Fall Prevention Initiatives for Older Adults

*Jessica J. Bolduc, DrOT, MSOTR/L, FAOTA (MaineHealth), *Tamara H. Herrick, PhD (MaineHealth), Kirsten Dorsey, OTR/L (MaineHealth) & *Maureen Higgins, MSW (MaineHealth)

Oxford Room

Bridging the Gap: Partnering with a Cultural Broker to Successfully Reach BIPOC Communities in Maine

*Patrick Madden (Market Decisions Research) & *Deqa Dhalac, MSW, MDP (Cross Cultural Community Services)

Improving Health Outcomes with Just in Time Case Management

*Caroline Lindemann (MaineHealth)

Somerset Room

Visualizing Food Insecurity in Maine

*Kendall Penndorf, MPH (Good Shepherd Food Bank) & *Jada Wensman, MS (Good Shepherd Food Bank)

Innovative Nutrition Care Solutions for High-Risk Pregnancies

*Emily Sylvester, MS, RD, LDN, IBCLC (Mother of Fact (NurtureTalk, Inc.))

York Room

De-Cloaking the Disability Experience: Building Data and Health Equity for Mainers with Disabilities

*Michelle Fong, MPH (University of Maine) & *Jennifer Battis, MRes (Disability Rights Maine)

Leveraging Technology and Language Justice to Bridge Health Disparities Among Immigrants and New Mainers

*Nooralain Almasoodi (New Mainers Public Health Initiative), Hibo Omer, MPH (New Mainers Public Health Initiative) & Selam Runyon-Baruch (New Mainers Public Health Initiative)

Cumberland Room

Rural Health Innovation through the Somerset and Kennebec Counties Community Partnership

*Maija Dyke, R-CHIP (Healthy Living for ME) & *Julia Rand, MPH (Healthy Living for ME)

Building Climate Resiliency: Empowering Community Health Workers Through Education

*Leslie Lorentzen, MPHc (Maine Primary Care Association)

Kennebec Room

A Comprehensive Approach in Rural Maine to Address the Opioid Epidemic

*Katherine Whitney, MPH (MaineHealth) & *Ashley McCarthy (Maine Health)

Lincoln Room

Addressing Chronic Disease and Social Drivers of Health through an Intensive Health Behavior and Lifestyle Intervention in Rural Maine

*LeeAnna Lavoie, MPH (MaineHealth) & *Sabrina Keene (MaineHealth)

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