



# CONFERENCE AGENDA

Saturday, September 20, 2025 | 8:00 AM-5:30 PM

UB Jacobs School of Medicine & Biomedical Sciences

## 8:00-8:30 AM | Registration & Breakfast

## 8:30-9:00 AM | Welcome & Opening Remarks

**Satish K. Tripathi**  
*President, University of Buffalo*

**Allison Brashear, MD, MBA**  
*Dean, Jacobs School  
Vice President for Health Sciences*

**Heather Gardiner, PhD, MPH**  
*Director, UB Community Health Equity Research Institute  
Professor, Department of Family Medicine, Jacobs School  
Inaugural Carl V. Granger Endowed Chair*

**George F Nicholas, MDiv**  
*Chief Executive Officer, Buffalo Center for Health Equity  
Chair, African American Health Equity Task Force*

## 9:00-10:00 AM | Morning Plenary Panel

**Tara Schafer**  
*Executive Director, Literacy Buffalo Niagara*

**Kenyani Davis, MD, MPH**  
*Chief Medical Officer, Community Health Center of Buffalo*

**Amun Ra**  
*Chief Executive Officer, AHR Development*

**Asantewa Holley, MBA**  
*Chief Operating Officer, Northland Workforce Training Center*

**Samina Raja, PhD**  
*Professor, Department of Urban and Regional Planning,  
UB School of Architecture and Planning  
Principle Investigator, UB Food Lab*

## 10:00-10:15 AM | Break & Transition

## 10:15-11:45 AM | Morning Breakout Sessions

- Breakout Session 1:** Housing
- Breakout Session 2:** Access to Primary Care
- Breakout Session 3:** Access to Healthy Foods
- Breakout Session 4:** Workforce Development
- Breakout Session 5:** Education & Literacy

## 11:45-12:30 PM | Morning Report-Outs

## 12:30-1:30 PM | Lunch & Gallery Walk

## 1:30-3:00 PM | Afternoon Breakout Sessions

- Breakout Session 1:** Housing
- Breakout Session 2:** Access to Primary Care
- Breakout Session 3:** Access to Healthy Foods
- Breakout Session 4:** Workforce Development
- Breakout Session 5:** Education & Literacy

## 3:00-3:45 PM | Afternoon Report-Outs

## 3:45-4:30 PM | Next Steps & Call to Action

## 4:30-5:30 PM | Reception

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