# 2019 State of Health Equity at CDC Forum

**Building Equity and Community Resilience in Public Health Emergencies**

Office of Minority Health and Health Equity, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Thursday, January 31, 2019, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
CDC Roybal Campus, Building 19, Auditorium A

**Goal:** To apply a health equity lens to public health emergency preparedness, response and recovery activities through deliberate communications and interdisciplinary partnerships.

## Program Agenda

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| 8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. | Welcome                                                                 | **Forum Moderator:** Craig S. Wilkins, MPH (CAPT, USPHS)  
Senior Advisor, Office of Minority Health and Health Equity, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)  
**Speaker:**  
Leandris C. Liburd, PhD, MPH, MA  
Director, Office of Minority Health and Health Equity, CDC  
Stephen C. Redd, MD (RADM, USPHS)  
Deputy Director for Public Health Service and Implementation Science and Director, Center for Preparedness and Response, CDC |
| 8:45 a.m. – 9:10 a.m. | Presentation 1 – Preparing and Responding to Emergencies Through a Health Equity Lens | **Speaker:** Amy Wolkin, DrPH, MSPH  
Senior Advisor for At-Risk Populations, Center for Preparedness and Response, CDC |
| 9:10 a.m. – 9:35 a.m. | Presentation 2 – CDC/ATSDR’s Social Vulnerability Index (SVI): Incorporating Social Vulnerability in Disaster Management Planning | **Speaker:** Patrick Breysse, PhD, CIH  
Director, National Center for Environmental Health and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, CDC |
| 9:35 a.m. – 10:35 a.m. | Panel 1 – Notes from the Field: Addressing Disparities and Vulnerabilities in Public Health Emergencies | **Speakers:**  
Mitchell Stripling, MPA  
Assistant Commissioner, Agency Preparedness and Response, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene  
Rafael Rodríguez Mercado, MD, FAANS, FACS  
Secretary of Health, Puerto Rico Department of Public Health  
**Discussant:** Renée Funk, DVM, MPH&TM, MBA, DACVPM (CAPT, USPHS)  
Associate Director for Emergency Management, National Center for Environmental Health and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, CDC |
Panel 2 – Taking Action: Advancing Equity in Community Resilience for Public Health Emergencies

**Speakers:**
- Daniel Dodgen, PhD
  Senior Advisor for Strategy, Policy, Plans and Requirements, Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR)
- Sachiko A. Kuwabara, PhD, MA
  Director, Office of Risk Management and Operational Integrity, Division of Emergency Operations, Center for Preparedness and Response, CDC

**Discussant:**
- Julio Dicent Taillepierre, MS
  Team Lead, Initiatives and Partnerships, Office of Minority Health and Health Equity, CDC

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Closing Remarks

**Speaker:**
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