

# Trauma-Informed Care and Services for Immigrant Families: A Three-part Symposium



## **Part III: Financial Impacts and Policy Solutions for Trauma in Immigrant Families**

**September 22, 2020, 12-2:30 p.m. (PDT)**

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### Agenda

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### Trauma in Immigrant Families: Financial Impacts and Policy Solutions for Trauma in Immigrant Families

12 – 12:15 p.m.	Introduction and House Keeping	Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola, MD, PhD <i>UC Davis Health, Center for Reducing Health Disparities</i>
12:15 – 12:20 p.m.	Welcome Message	Renetta G. Tull, PhD <i>UC Davis, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion</i>
12:20 – 12:30 p.m.	Opening Remarks	Kara Carter, MBA, MSc <i>California Health Care Foundation</i>
	<u>Panel Discussion</u>	
12:30 – 1:40 p.m.	Financial Impacts and Policy Solutions for Trauma in Immigrant Families: Cost Matters	Jeffrey Hoch, PhD <i>UC Davis</i>
	Federal Immigration Policy Changes, and State and Local Responses	Tanya Broder, JD <i>National Immigration Law Center</i>
	Immigrant Protections in California and the Road Ahead, An Overview of Community and Policy Responses	Cynthia Buiza, MA <i>California Immigrant Policy Center</i>



1:40 – 1:45 p.m.	Break	All Participants
1:45 – 2:15 p.m.	Moderated Discussion	Ignatius Bau <i>Consultant</i>
	Questions & Answers	All Participants
	Panelists Recommendations	Panel Members
2:15 – 2:30 p.m.	Closing Remarks	Kara Carter, MBA, MSc <i>California Health Care Foundation</i>
	Wrap Up	Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola, MD, PhD <i>UC Davis Health, Center for Reducing Health Disparities</i>

## Introduction & Housekeeping



### Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola, MD, PhD

Director, UC Davis Center for Reducing Health Disparities and Professor of Clinical Internal Medicine

#### BIOGRAPHY

Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola, MD, PhD is a Professor of Clinical Internal Medicine, School of Medicine, University of California, Davis. He is the Founding Director of the Center for Reducing Health Disparities at UC Davis Health and the Director of the Community Engagement Program of the UCD Clinical Translational Science Center (CTSC). He is a past member of the National Advisory Mental Health Council (NAMHC), National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH). He is a current member of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Mental Health Services, National Advisory Council. He is a board member of the California Health Care Foundation, a member of the California Department of Public Health Office of Health Equity's Advisory Committee, and a member of the board of Physicians for a Health California. He is a national and international expert on health and mental health comorbidities on diverse populations. He has held several World Health Organization (WHO) and Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) advisory board and consulting appointments and is currently a member of the Executive Committee of the World Health Organization (WHO) World Mental Health Survey Consortium (WMH) and its Coordinator for Latin America and the Caribbean, overseeing population-based national/regional surveys in Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, México and Peru.

Dr. Aguilar-Gaxiola has extensive experience in population-based needs assessments and community-engaged research studies with a primary focus on identifying unmet health and mental needs and associated risk and protective factors. His work has focused on community-based approaches to addressing and reducing health/mental health disparities in underserved populations, the translation of evidence-based information and the successful implementation and dissemination of evidence-based information. He is an expert consultant and trainer of community-based organizations (CBOs), counties, and state and federal agencies on meaningful community engagement, and culturally and linguistically competency training. In the last decade, he has spearheaded California-wide efforts to (1) engage hard-to-reach communities (e.g., migrant workers, *Mixtecos*, Latino LGBTQ) that have been unserved/underserved by public mental health services and excluded in community stakeholder processes, (2) develop and implement a grassroots community engagement process to ensure their input, (3) solicit and gather their voices regarding Prevention and Early Intervention programs, strategies, and strengths, and (4) use the information gathered to transform systems of health care's service delivery. He is the recipient of multiple awards including the 2018 UC Davis Health Dean's Team Award for Inclusion Excellence, along with the Center for Reducing Health Disparities Team for outstanding multidisciplinary team contributions in the area of community engagement, the 2018 NAMI California Multicultural Outreach Excellence Award, and the 2018 Mental Health California's Research and Health Disparities Award. Dr. Aguilar-Gaxiola is currently co-chair of the National Academy of Medicine's (NAM) Committee on Assessing Meaningful Community Engagement for Health and Health Care, a work group of the NAM Leadership Consortium, Collaboration for a Value & Science-Driven Learning Health System.

## Welcome Message



### Renetta G. Tull, PhD

Vice Chancellor of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion  
UC Davis

#### BIOGRAPHY

Before joining UC Davis in 2019, Dr. Tull was Associate Vice Provost for Strategic Initiatives at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC), and Professor of the Practice in UMBC's College of Engineering and IT (COEIT). Within COEIT, she served as part of the "Engagement" team, and pursues research in humanitarian engineering. Tull is Founding Director and Co-PI for the 12-institution National Science Foundation University System of Maryland's (USM) PROMISE AGEP, and Co-Director/Co-PI for the NSF USM's Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (LSAMP).

In addition to roles at UMBC and roles with grants, she also served the University System of Maryland as Special Assistant to the Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Student Affairs, and was the system's Director of Graduate & Professional Pipeline Development. In 2017, Dr. Tull was appointed to serve as Chair for the University System of Maryland's Health Care Workforce Diversity subgroup. Dr. Tull has engineering and science degrees from Howard University and Northwestern University.

An international speaker on global diversity in STEM, Tull has led discussions around the world on topics such as "Inclusive Engagement – Engineering for All," "Cultivating Inclusive Excellence within Science, Engineering, and Technology," work/life balance, family, and prevention of domestic and workplace abuse. She co-led Puerto Rico's ADVANCE Hispanic Women in STEM project, and continues to lead the "Women in STEM Forum" for the Latin and Caribbean Consortium of Engineering Institutions (LACCEI) and the Engineering for the Americas/Organization of American States as LACCEI's current Vice President for Initiatives.

Recognitions include: 2015 O'Reilly Media "Women in Data" cover, 2015 Global Engineering Deans Council/Airbus Diversity Award Finalist, and the 2016 ABET Claire L. Felbinger Award for Diversity. She has been an invited plenary panelist for diversity in engineering initiatives for the 2016 International Conference on Transformations in Engineering Education in India, and an invited speaker for the International Federation of Engineering Education Societies (IFEES) "Global Engagement in Diversity" webinar. She was also part of an invited United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) team for the "Engineering Report II" meeting in Beijing in September 2017, hosted by the Chinese Academy of Engineering. In 2017, she was appointed to a 2-year term for the National Academies for Science, Engineering, and Medicine's committee on The Science of Effective Mentoring in Science, Technology, Engineering, Medicine, and Mathematics (STEMM). In 2018, she was invited back to the United Nations Headquarters to talk about women in engineering as part of a UNESCO-sponsored side event during the 62nd Session on the UN's Commission on the Status of Women.

Tull has more than 50 publications, has given more than 200 presentations on various STEM topics, and is a Tau Beta Pi "Eminent Engineer." She also engages the public on topics related to STEM and society, and was a speaker for "Diversity, STEAM, and Comics," where "A" adds the "arts" to STEM, at Awesome Con in March 2018. She is a passionate advocate, global mentor, education policy strategist and champion for equity in STEM.

## Opening & Closing Remarks



### **Kara Carter MBA, MSc**

**Senior Vice President, Strategy and Programs  
California Health Care Foundation**

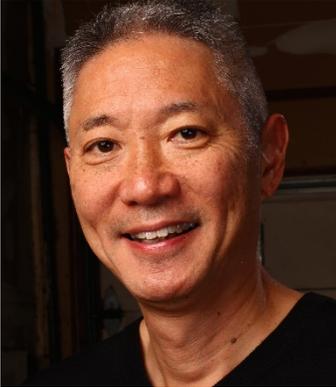
#### BIOGRAPHY

Kara Carter is senior vice president of strategy and programs at the California Health Care Foundation, where she develops strategies, provides overall guidance, and leads the program teams in the development, execution, and assessment of CHCF's work. In this role, Kara provides thought leadership and support to CHCF's grantmaking programs and priorities, as well as CHCF's program related investments and learning and impact functions.

Prior to joining CHCF, Kara was a partner at McKinsey & Company's San Francisco and London offices. She was a leader in McKinsey's Medicaid practice in the US, and supported public and private sector health systems in the US, UK, and Europe to improve quality, access, and affordability.

Before joining McKinsey, Kara worked for UK-based philanthropic institutions on a broad range of topics related to poverty and community action. Kara received a bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia, a master's in social anthropology from the London School of Economics and Political Science, and a master's in business administration from the London Business School. She currently serves on the UC Davis Health National Advisory Board.

## Moderator



### Ignatius Bau

Consultant

#### BIOGRAPHY

Ignatius Bau is an independent consultant, working with funders, health departments, and community-based organizations on both immigration and health policy issues. He currently is a consultant to Grantmakers Concerned with Immigrants and Refugees, Unbound Philanthropy, California Health Care Foundation, Blue Shield of California Foundation, and The California Endowment on immigration-related grantmaking. He has been a consultant to the National Immigration Law Center on the Protecting Immigrant Families campaign and to the Immigrant Legal Resource Center on the New Americans Campaign. He worked for ten years as an immigration attorney at the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights of the San Francisco Bay Area, for seven years as a program officer at The California Endowment, and in various positions at the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum. He was the founding board chairperson of the Northern California Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights, helped to draft the 1989 San Francisco City of Refuge, or "sanctuary" ordinance, and was on the statewide steering committee of Californians United Against Proposition 187.

## Panelist



### Jeffrey Hoch, PhD

Professor and Chief of the Division of Health Policy and Management, Department of Public Health Sciences, Associate Director, Center for Healthcare Policy and Research UC Davis

#### BIOGRAPHY

Jeffrey Hoch received his PhD in health economics from the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. He is a Professor and Chief of the Division of Health Policy and Management in the Department of Public Health Sciences and the Associate Director of the Center for Healthcare Policy and Research at the University of California at Davis. He has more than 200 peer-reviewed articles. As an award-winning teacher, Professor Hoch has taught classes throughout the world, giving over 250 invited presentations in 15 countries.

## Panelist



### **Tanya Broder, JD**

Senior Attorney  
National Immigration Law Center

#### BIOGRAPHY

Ms. Broder specializes in the laws and policies affecting access to health care, public benefits, education and other services for low-income immigrants across the United States. She writes articles, offers technical assistance, participates in litigation and advocacy, and provides training to legal and social service providers, government agencies, legislative staff, educators and community-based organizations. Prior to joining National Immigration Law Center in 1996, she worked as a policy analyst for the Northern California Coalition for Immigrant Rights and as a staff attorney for the Legal Aid Society of Alameda County in Oakland. Ms. Broder holds a juris doctor from Yale Law School.

## Panelist



### Cynthia Buiza

Executive Director  
California Immigrant Policy

#### BIOGRAPHY

Cynthia Buiza is the Executive Director of the California Immigrant Policy Center (CIPC) where she provides the vision for the mission of California's premiere immigrant rights organization. CIPC is thriving under her leadership, with a marked expansion in its issue area expertise and a broadening of its coalition networks working to build power for immigrants in this country. Cynthia came to this role after successfully managing a statewide capacity building project, involving nine regional coalitions in California, which strengthened their viability through a combination of highly customized training, grant-making and leadership coaching.

Cynthia brings over two decades of experience in nonprofit management and human rights advocacy to CIPC. She worked on international refugee, migration, human rights and civil rights issues in Southeast Asia before working with ACLU as Policy Director for its San Diego regional affiliate. She was also Policy and Advocacy Director at CHIRLA in Los Angeles from 2007-2010. More recently, she worked as a consultant with various immigrant rights and civil rights institutions and social justice organizations in California and the U.S., helping shape their strategic direction and plans for sustainability. Before moving to the United States, she worked in senior positions with various international organizations, including the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the Open Society Institute-Burma Education Project in Thailand, and the Jesuit Refugee Service. In June 2003, she co-authored the book *Anywhere But War*, about the armed conflict and internal displacement in the Indonesian Province of Aceh.

Cynthia earned a Masters in International Affairs from the Fletcher School at Tufts University, with a concentration on human security studies. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Work from the Philippines, and a Certificate in Refugee and Migration Studies from the Oxford University Refugee Studies Centre in England. She also holds certificates from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government and the Stanford Graduate School of Business. Cynthia currently serves as a State Commissioner with the Milton Marks Little Hoover Commission for State Government Organization and the Economy. She is a member of the California Community Foundation's Immigration Advisory Council and the Southern California Policy Forum. She also serves on the Board of Directors of the Pilipino Worker's Center and Health Access California.

In her spare time Cynthia enjoys movies, visits to art museums, poetry, and decadent meals.

## About

### Center for Reducing Health Disparities

The UC Davis Center for Reducing Health Disparities (CRHD) takes a multidisciplinary, collaborative approach to the inequities in health access and quality of care. This includes a comprehensive program for research, education and teaching, and community outreach and information dissemination.

The center builds on UC Davis' long history of reaching out to the most vulnerable, underserved populations in the region. A comprehensive medical interpretive services program helps overcome limitations in access for those who don't speak English. Its regional telehealth network provides a high-tech link between UC Davis physicians and smaller clinics around the state that cannot afford to maintain medical specialists on staff.

The center represents a major commitment to addressing community needs that goes well beyond the traditional service role of an academic medical center. It is a program designed not only to raise awareness and conduct critical research, but also intended to actually assist those communities whose needs have never been addressed and met by the traditional health-care system.

The center's wide-ranging focus on health disparities includes an emphasis on improving access, detection and treatment of mental health problems within the primary care setting. It will also focus efforts on achieving better understanding into the co-morbidity of chronic illnesses such as diabetes, hypertension, pain conditions, and cancer with depression.

### California Health Care Foundation

The California Health Care Foundation is dedicated to advancing meaningful, measurable improvements in the way the health care delivery system provides care to the people of California, particularly those with low incomes and those whose needs are not well served by the status quo. We work to ensure that people have access to the care they need, when they need it, at a price they can afford.

At the California Health Care Foundation, we know that health care is a basic necessity. We work hard to improve California's health care system, so it works for all Californians.

Because Californians with low incomes experience the biggest health burden and face the greatest barriers to care, our priority is to make sure they can get the care they need.

We are especially focused on strengthening Medi-Cal — the cornerstone of California's safety net. We are also committed to finding better ways to meet the health care needs of the millions of people who remain uninsured in our state. And we are working to better integrate care for Californians who experience mental illness, drug or alcohol addiction, or other complex health conditions.

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We are also most grateful for the leadership and direction of Ignatius Bau, in bringing forth this symposium. His expertise and ample experience in trauma and migration, among others, proved to be essential in the planning, implementation and dissemination of the event.

We are deeply grateful to all of our presenters: Dr. Renetta G. Tull, Dr. Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola, Kara Carter, Dr. Jeffrey Hoch, Tanya Broder, and Cynthia Buiza for sharing their time and expertise.

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And finally, thank you to all those who attend and participate in this symposium. Your interest, engagement and thoughtful questions and comments have elevated the event to new heights. Thank you all for your passion to shed light and improve care and services for immigrant families impacted by the traumatic experiences and multiple stressors associated with migration and now exacerbated by the multiple COVID-19 and fires challenges.