THE MISSION OF THE CENTER IS TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE ELIMINATION OF MINORITY HEALTH DISPARITIES

The Center focuses on minority health disparities in the smaller cities and towns of New York. It works toward eliminating minority health disparities by developing capacity in the university’s faculty and in partnering with community groups to identify community health concerns and sources of disparities, plan strategies to alleviate them, and test their effectiveness.

Health researchers from SUNY campuses and community partners met at the University at Albany Oct. 7-8, 2010 to discuss inequities in health care affecting many different people including low-income women living in rural areas, Latina family caregivers, urban youth, and Native American people living near polluted waters. The Community-Campus Partnerships to Eliminate Health Disparities: SUNY Works in Progress was sponsored by CEMHD.

The keynote speaker on Oct. 7 was Dr. Garth N. Graham, M.D., M.P.H., Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health in the Office of Minority Health at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. His office coordinates federal health policy that addresses minority health concerns and ensures federal, state, and local health programs take into account the needs of disadvantaged, racial, and ethnic populations.

At the Oct. 8 session, Wilma E. Waithe, Ph.D., director of the Office of Minority Health in the NYS Department of Health, was the keynote speaker. A respected authority on policies, programs, and practices affecting the health of racial and ethnic minorities, she has more than 30 years of experience in community health.

Dr. Garth Graham, Keynote Speaker, Lawrence Schell, CEMHD Director, David Strogatz, CEMHD Research Core Director, Wilma Alvarado-Little, CEMHD Community Outreach/Engagement Director.

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Dr. Garth Graham, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health, US Department of Health and Human Services, discussed issues of health disparities with graduate students at the Student Lunch in October.

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