

October 19, 2023

SUMMIT AGENDA

Janelle Rios, PhD, MPH Deputy Director

Texas Epidemic Public Health Institute

8:30 - 10:00 am CHECK-IN, LIGHT BREAKFAST

10:00 - 10:05 am WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Eric Boerwinkle, PhD

Dean, UTHealth Houston School of Public Health Director, Texas Epidemic Public Health Institute

OPENING REMARKS 10:05 - 10:15 am

Jennifer Shuford, MD, MPH

Commissioner

Texas Department of State Health Services

Morning Session: Wastewater Science — The Possibilities

10:15 - 10:55 am MORNING KEYNOTE

Anthony Maresso, PhD

Joseph Melnick Professor of Molecular Virology & Microbiology

Baylor College of Medicine

PANEL DISCUSSION — WASTEWATER WATCHING: PRACTICE, PROSPECTS, & POLICY 11:00 – 12:00 pm

Anthony Maresso, PhD, Moderator

Heidi Bojes, PhD, MPH

Director, Environmental Epidemiology & Disease Registries Section

Texas Department of State Health Services

Nichole Brathwaite-Dingle, MD, MPH

Deputy Medical Director

Fort Bend County

FRIENDS OF TEPHI AWARD

Kristina Mena, MSPH, PhD

Campus Dean and Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences Department Chair

UTHealth Houston School of Public Health, El Paso Campus

12:05 - 1:00 pm LUNCH

12:00 - 12:05 pm

Afternoon Session: Wastewater Science — The Implications

AFTERNOON KEYNOTE 1:00 - 1:40 pm

David Persse, MD, Opening & Closing Speaker

Chief Medical Officer City of Houston

Katherine B. Ensor, PhD, PStat Noah G. Harding Professor of Statistics

Rice University

1:45-2:45 pm PANEL DISCUSSION — UNCHARTED WATERS: TRANSLATING WASTEWATER

SCIENCE INTO PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION

David Persse, MD, Moderator

Jennifer Deegan, MPAff

Vice President, Health Policy & Systems Strategy

UTHealth Houston

Hon. Carbett Joseph "Trey" Duhon, III, JD

County Judge Waller County

Tom Giordano, MD, MPH

Chief, Section of Infectious Diseases

Baylor College of Medicine

Tying it all Together

2:45 - 3:00 pm MEETING SYNOPSIS & CLOSING REMARKS

Janelle Rios, PhD, MPH

Lauren Stadler, PhD

Charles Gerba, PhD

University of Arizona

Amy McGuire, JD, PhD

Baylor College of Medicine

Professor of Environmental Microbiology

Leon Jaworski Professor of Biomedical Ethics

Assistant Professor of Civil & Environmental Engineering

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