Health in a Changing Climate: Understanding Impacts and Opportunities for Action
A symposium for health professionals
Virginia Mason Medical Center
December 7, 2019, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
AGENDA

8:30-9:00 am Registration and Coffee

9:00-9:15 am Welcome remarks: Gary Kaplan, MD, Chairman and CEO, Virginia Mason Health System

9:15-9:35 am Keynote Address – Climate Change: A Public Health Challenge for this Century
Hon. Jay Inslee, Governor of Washington (invited)

Health Impacts of Climate Change

9:35-9:50 am Understanding the changing climate; overview of global health impacts
Jeremy Hess, MD, MPH, Associate Professor of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences, Global Health and Emergency Medicine; and Director, Center for Health and the Global Environment at the University of Washington School of Public Health

9:50-10:05 am Washington State Specific Health Impacts:
Jeffrey Duchin, MD, Health Officer for Public Health, Seattle-King County

10:05-10:15 am Washington Health Disparities Map
Tiffany Mendoza, Strategic Initiatives Director, Front and Centered

10:15-10:30 am Break

10:30-11:15 am Health Impacts – Panel and Q&A:
  - Moderator: Alison Bradywood, MN, MPH, RN, NEA-BC, Administrative Director, Clinical Practice & Quality, Virginia Mason
  - Panelists:
    - Chris Covert-Bowlds, MD, Family Medicine, Kaiser Permanente Northgate Medical Center
    - Jonathan Cogen, MD, Pulmonary and Sleep Medicine, Seattle Children’s Hospital
    - Meredith Li-Vollmer, PhD, Risk Communication Specialist, Seattle & King County Public Health

11:15-11:30 am Audience Stories – Health impacts of climate change that care providers are seeing in their own patients
11:30-12:30 pm Lunch (provided)

Opportunities for action

12:30-1:00 pm Why Action and Engagement Matter

  **Gary Cohen**, President and Co-Founder, Health Care Without Harm and Practice Greenhealth

  - Announcement of Washington Health Care Climate Alliance: **Robyn Rothman**, JD, Climate and Health Policy Manager, Health Care Without Harm

1:00-1:40 pm Health Care’s Carbon Footprint – Panel and Q&A

  - Moderator: **Jessica Wolff**, MBA, MSN, U.S. Director of Climate and Health, Health Care Without Harm
  - Panelists:
    - **John Leigh**, Director of Sustainability, Virginia Mason Medical Center
    - **Brian Chesebro**, MD, Clinical Anesthesiologist, Oregon Anesthesiology Group, Providence St Joseph Health
    - **Heather Burpee**, Research Associate Professor at the University of Washington Integrated Design Lab

1:40-1:50 pm Break

1:50-2:40 pm Changing Practice through Advocacy and Leadership – Panel and Q&A

  - Moderator: **Sarah Cornett**, Climate Program & Advocacy Manager, Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility
  - Panelists:
    - **Mark Vossler**, MD, Cardiologist at EvergreenHealth and President, Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility
    - **Markus Boos**, MD, PhD, Pediatric Dermatologist, Seattle Children’s Hospital
    - **Mary Margaret Thomas**, RN, Program Manager, Care Coordination and Population Health at 98point6

2:40-3:00 pm Closing Remarks and Overview of Available Resources