



Agenda: AUCD 2021 Virtual Conference

November 15-17 – Virtual

All times listed are Eastern.

Monday, November 15

12 – 5:00 pm: Posters available on-demand

12 – 1:25pm: Opening Plenary *Learning Together: Finding Common Ground and Language Between Research and Lived Experience*

Speakers:

- Diana W. Bianchi, MD, Director, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, Head of the Prenatal Genomics and Therapy Section, Medical Genetics Branch, National Human Genome Research Institute
- Alison Cernich, PhD, Deputy Director, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)
- Anjali J. Forber-Pratt, PhD
Director, National Institute on Disability,
Independent Living and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR)

1:15 – 1:45 pm: Break

1:45 – 3:00 pm: Live Concurrent Sessions Group 1

3:00 – 3:30 pm: Chair Yoga (Break)

3:30 – 4:45 pm: Live Concurrent Sessions Group 2

3:30 – 4:45 pm: Live Poster Q&A Session



4:45 – 5:00 pm: Break

Tuesday, November 16

12 – 5:00 pm: Posters available on-demand

12 – 1:15 pm: Tuesday Leading Change Plenaries:

- *Conscious Collaborations for Equitable Research*
- *Do You See Me? Impact of Missing Disability Data on Research and Public Health*

Conscious Collaborations for Equitable Research

Moderator:

- Rodney Samaco, PhD, Associate Director of the Baylor College of Medicine Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Research Center (IDDRC)

Speakers:

- Karen Ward, EdD, Director of the University of Alaska Anchorage's Center for Human Development, a University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities
- Douglene Jackson, PhD, OTR/L, LMT, ATP, BCTS, Occupational Therapist
- Sandy Magaña, PhD, MSW, Professor in Autism and Neurodevelopmental Disabilities in the Steve Hicks School of Social Work
- TC Waisman, EdD, Design lead for the Autism Training Academy



Do You See Me? Impact of Missing Disability Data on Research and Public Health

Moderator:

- Kara Ayers, PhD, Associate Director and an Assistant Professor at the University of Cincinnati Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD)

Speakers:

- Monika Mitra, PhD, Nancy Lurie Marks Associate Professor of Disability Policy, and Director of the Lurie Institute for Disability Policy at Brandeis University's Heller School for Social Policy and Management
- Bryan Russel, Emergency Management Coordinator with Disability Rights Florida
- Nassira Nicola, MA, ADAC, Health and Disability Program Coordinator for the Office of Health Equity in the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH)

1:15 – 1:45 pm: Break

1:45 – 3:00 pm: Live Concurrent Sessions Group 3

3:00 – 3:30 pm: AUCD 50th Anniversary Slideshow (Break)

3:30 – 4:45 pm: Live Concurrent Sessions Group 4

3:30 – 4:45 pm: Live Poster Q&A Session

4:45 – 5:00 pm: Break

5:00 – 5:30 pm: Pre-recorded Awards Ceremony

Wednesday, November 17

12 – 5:00 pm: Posters available on-demand

12 – 1:00 pm: Closing plenary with Hill speakers



Join us on Wednesday during the conference for the *Closing Plenary: Engaging with Congress to Connect Research and Lived Experience to Influence Policy*. Learn about the legislative work and priorities of elected disability advocates in Congress and how you can influence their work.

We will be joined live by Donna Shalala, former US Congresswoman from Florida and President of the University of Miami, the longest serving U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services and Presidential Medal of Freedom winner. Dr. Shalala will be interviewed by our own AUCD Conference Chair and Director of the Mailman Center for Child Development at the University of Miami, Danny Armstrong. Their conversation will discuss disability policy, higher education, and the importance of inclusive research.

We will also hear directly from Senator Sherrod Brown (OH), Senator Bob Casey (PA), Senator Tammy Duckworth (IL), Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (NY), Senator Patty Murray (WA), and Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers (WA) via pre-recorded videos about their priorities and what we can do to promote them.

1:00 – 1:30 pm: Laughing Yoga (Break)

1:30 – 3:00 pm: CEDC, CORE and MCC Council Meetings

3:00 – 3:30 pm: Break

3:30 – 5:00 pm: COLA and NTDC Council Meetings