



## 2023 TB Elimination Alliance Summit Agenda

*Building Healthy Communities Free of Tuberculosis*

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<b>Wednesday, November 8, 2023 (Day 1)</b> <b><i>Voices of Impact: Shaping TB Elimination and Community Equity</i></b>	
Time (PST / EST)	Session
<p>9:00-9:45 am PST / 12:00-12:45 pm EST</p> <p>The opening remarks, featuring a distinguished panel of speakers, will provide a compelling introduction to the 2023 TEA Summit’s “Building Healthy Communities Free of Tuberculosis.” Dr. Philip LoBue, Director of the Division of TB Elimination at the CDC, will share insights on the national efforts to combat TB. Joining him, Jeff Caballero, Executive Director of AAPCHO, and Dr. Juliet K. Choi, President and CEO of APIAHF, will discuss the critical role of community health organizations in addressing TB disparities. Dr. Chari Cohen, President of the Hepatitis B Foundation, Frank Hood, Director of Hep B United, and Dr. Cynthia Tschampl, Chair of Stop TB USA, will shed light on the collaborative work being done to tackle TB in our communities.</p>	<p><b>Welcome &amp; Opening Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Philip LoBue (he/him), MD, Director, Division of Tuberculosis Elimination, CDC</li> <li>❖ Jeffrey Caballero (he/him), MPH, Executive Director, Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations (AAPCHO)</li> <li>❖ Juliet K. Choi (she/her), JD, President and CEO, Asian Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF)</li> <li>❖ Chari Cohen (she/her), DrPH, MPH, President, Hepatitis B Foundation</li> <li>❖ Frank Hood (he/him), Director, Hep B United, Associate Director of Policy &amp; Internships, Hepatitis B Foundation</li> <li>❖ Cynthia Tschampl (she/her), PhD, Chair, Stop TB USA</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Chibo Shinagawa (she/her), MS, PMP, Senior Program Manager, Infectious Diseases, AAPCHO</p>
<p>9:45-11:15 am PST / 12:45 pm-2:15pm EST</p> <p>This panel session will explore the remarkable work and perspectives of diverse leaders in the field of TB and health equity. Dr. Elizabeth Harding, Dr. Alok Sarwal, Mai Xiong Vang, and Tenzin Kunor will share their unique experiences</p>	<p><b>Session I: Diverse Voices and Collective Solutions: Community-Led TB Initiatives</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Elizabeth Harding (she/her), MD, Family Physician, Jericho Road Community Health Centers (Buffalo, NY)</li> </ul>



<p>and insights, shedding light on the essential role of community-led initiatives in the fight against TB. This discussion promises to inspire and inform as we learn from these dedicated individuals who are making a difference in their respective communities and organizations. Additionally, the session will feature an opportunity for an engaging Q&amp;A, allowing the audience to further delve into the panelists' experiences and expertise.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Alok Sarwal (he/him), PhD, MBA, Co-Founder and Executive Director, Colorado Alliance for Health Equity &amp; Practice (Denver, CO)</li> <li>❖ Mai Xiong Vang (she/her), RN, MSN, PHN, TB Program Manager, St Paul Ramsey County Public Health (St. Paul, MN)</li> <li>❖ Tenzin Kunor (he/him), Multi-Drug Resistant TB Survivor &amp; Advocate, We Are TB (National)</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Nashia Choudhury (she/her), MPH, Director of Programs, Health Care Transformation, AAPCHO</p>
<p>11:15-11:30am PST / 2:15-2:30 pm EST</p>	<p><b>Break (15 Minutes)</b></p>
<p>11:30-12:45 pm PST / 2:30-3:45 pm EST</p> <p>This panel session will celebrate and amplify the critical Pasifika voices in the fight against TB. We will explore how Pasifika communities are driving TB elimination efforts. Their unique perspectives and community-driven approaches underscore the importance of Pasifika voices in shaping strategies for a TB-free future. Join us as we learn from their experiences, challenges, and triumphs, guided by the wisdom of these incredible communities. Additionally, this session will feature an opportunity for an engaging Q&amp;A, allowing the audience to further delve into the panelists' experiences and expertise.</p>	<p><b>Session II: Elevating Pasifika Voices: Shaping TB Elimination with Community Wisdom</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Kapiolani Micky (she/her), Community Outreach Worker, Micronesian Islander Community (Salem, OR)</li> <li>❖ Lucy Hansen (she/her), Executive Director and Founder, Polynesian Association of Alaska (Anchorage, AK)</li> <li>❖ Kekoa Lopez-Paguyo (they/them), MPH, Project Manager, Regional Pacific Islander Task Force (San Francisco Bay Area, CA)</li> <li>❖ Ashley Calvo-Rodriguez (she/her), Clinic Administrator and Lead Trainer, Todu Guam Foundation (Tamuning, Guam)</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: John Nguyen-Yap (he/him), Director of Programs, Community Initiatives, AAPCHO</p>
<p>12:45-1:00pm PST / 3:45-4:00pm EST</p>	<p><b>Closing, <a href="#">Evaluation</a>, &amp; Overview of Day 2</b></p>



<b>Thursday, November 9, 2023 (Day 2)</b> <i>Together Towards a TB-Free Tomorrow</i>	
Time (PST / EST)	Session
<p>9:00-9:05 am PST / 12:00-12:05pm EST</p> <p>On Day 2 of the 2023 TEA Summit, we will spotlight California's pivotal role in the fight against TB, delving additionally into the nationwide and global impact of our current mini-grant projects. We will also look ahead to building healthier communities free of TB, exploring strategies and collaboration. The day will conclude with a special tribute, recognizing and appreciating the contributions of Dr. Ed Zuroweste, as we close the summit with heartfelt gratitude. Join us for a day of reflection, anticipation, and appreciation.</p>	<p><b>Welcome &amp; Opening Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Mukta Deia (she/her), Program Coordinator, Infectious Diseases, AAPCHO</li> </ul>
<p>9:05-10:25am PST / 12:05-1:25pm EST</p> <p>In this session, we will shine a spotlight on the transformative projects spearheaded by the Asian Pacific Health Foundation, Champions for Health, North East Medical Services, and Southland Integrated Services – all of which are making a remarkable impact in California and beyond. These organizations have been at the forefront of TB prevention and elimination efforts, pioneering innovative approaches and setting a high standard for health equity.</p> <p>Under the moderation of Dr. Fayette Nguyen-Truax, Associate Professor at Loma Linda University, we will delve into the strategies, successes, and challenges faced by these organizations as they work towards building healthier communities, free from the burden of TB. This session promises to inspire and inform as we explore California's leading role in shaping the future of TB prevention and elimination.</p>	<p><b>Session III: California's Model Efforts in TB Prevention and Elimination: A National Template for Success</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Alan Doan (he/him), Program Manager, Asian Pacific Health Foundation (San Diego, CA)</li> <li>❖ Adama Dyoniziak (she/her), MPH, CPH, Executive Director, Champions for Health (San Diego, CA)</li> <li>❖ Meagan Lee (she/her), MPH, Research Coordinator, North East Medical Services (San Francisco, CA)</li> <li>❖ Tricia Nguyen (she/her), MPH, Chief Executive Officer, Southland Integrated Services (Garden Grove, CA)</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Fayette Nguyen-Truax (she/her), PhD, RN, CPNP-PC, Associate Professor, Loma Linda University</p>
<p>10:25am-10:30am PST / 1:25-1:30pm EST</p>	<p><b>Break (5 minutes)</b></p>



<p>10:30am-12:00pm PST / 1:30-3:00pm EST</p> <p>Join us for a thought-provoking session that delves into innovative projects led by EthnoMed, Midwest Asian Health Association, Rural Women's Health Project, and Somos TB of We Are TB.. In this session, we will explore their ongoing initiatives and their ambitions for transformative change.</p> <p>Under the moderation of Pervaiz Tufail, TB Survivor and Director of TBPeople Pakistan, speakers will share their distinct perspectives and aspirations for the future, providing insights into the potential impact of their work on national TB prevention and elimination. By learning from these dedicated individuals and their projects, we will gain valuable insights into the promising avenues for the fight against TB at the national level.</p>	<p><b>Session IV: Innovating for a TB-Free Future: Current Projects and Their Prospective Hopes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Duncan Reid (he/him), MD, MS, Medical Director, EthnoMed (Seattle, WA)</li> <li>❖ Mei Kan (she/her), MPH, Project Coordinator, Midwest Asian Health Association (Chicago, IL)</li> <li>❖ Robin Lewy (she/her), Co-Founder and Director of Programing, Rural Women's Health Project (Gainesville, FL)</li> <li>❖ Jacqueline Cuen (she/her), TB Survivor &amp; Peer Support Navigator, We Are TB (National), Somos TB &amp; Karen Reynas (she/her), TB Survivor, We Are TB (National), Somos TB</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Pervaiz Tufail (he/him), TB Survivor, Director, TBPeople Pakistan</p>
<p>12:00-12:10 pm PST / 3:00-3:10 pm EST</p>	<p><b>Break (10 Minutes)</b></p>
<p>12:10-1:00 pm PST / 3:10-4:00 pm EST</p> <p>In this heartfelt closing session, we will honor the remarkable contributions of Dr. Ed Zuroweste, a dedicated TB Elimination Alliance Steering Committee member, and welcome Dr. Ameer Patrawalla as the incoming TEA Steering Committee member. We will also pay tribute to their visionary leadership and commitment to the cause of TB elimination.</p> <p>As we bid farewell to the 2023 TEA virtual summit, we will reflect on the theme "Healthy Communities Free of Tuberculosis." This session will encompass the essence of what it takes to create such communities—strategies, collective efforts, and the commitment to health equity. Join us for this inspiring conclusion as we envision a world where TB is eliminated, and communities thrive.</p>	<p><b>Session V: Closing Session: Honoring Visionaries and Building Healthy TB-Free Communities &amp; Evaluation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Jeffrey Caballero (he/him), MPH, Executive Director, Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations (AAPCHO)</li> <li>❖ Cynthia Tschampl (she/her), PhD, Chair, Stop TB USA</li> <li>❖ Nickolas DeLuca (he/him), PhD, Chief of Communications, Education, and Behavioral Studies Branch, Division of Tuberculosis Elimination, CDC</li> <li>❖ Ameer Patrawalla (she/her), MD, PhD, Secretary, Stop TB USA</li> <li>❖ Ed Zuroweste (he/him), MD, Founding Medical Director, Migrant Clinicians Network</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Chibo Shinagawa (she/her), MS, PMP, Senior Program Manager, Infectious Diseases, AAPCHO</p>

*\*Please see below for speaker biographies and headshots.*



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## Speakers & Biographies

<p><b>Jeffrey B. Caballero, MPH</b>          He/Him          Executive Director          Association of Asian Pacific Community Health          Organizations (AAPCHO)</p> 	<p>Jeffrey B. Caballero is the Executive Director of AAPCHO, an organization dedicated to promoting advocacy, collaboration, and leadership that improves the health status and access of Asian Americans (AAs), Native Hawaiians (NHs) and Pacific Islanders (PIs). AAPCHO envisions a world in which AAs, NHs, PIs, and all communities have equitable access to affordable, high quality, and culturally and linguistically proficient health care.</p> <p>As Executive Director, Jeff oversees AAPCHO's overall strategic direction and execution of its mission and vision.</p> <p>Jeff has been with AAPCHO since 1993. In this role, he advocates for programs and policies that increase access to high-quality, comprehensive health care services that are culturally and linguistically appropriate; and reduce health inequities. Jeff is currently founding Co-Chair of Hep B United, founding Co-Chair of TB Elimination Alliance Steering Committee, Advocacy Committee member of the American Diabetes Association, founding member of the Protecting Immigrant Families Coalition, and founding member of the TB United community engagement network.</p> <p>Jeff received his bachelor's degree in Biochemistry/Cell Biology from the University of California, San Diego, and his Masters in Public Health from the University of California, Los Angeles.</p>
<p><b>Ashley Calvo-Rodriguez</b>          She/Her          Clinic Administrator and Lead Trainer          Todu Guam Foundation (TGF)</p>	<p>Ashley Calvo-Rodriguez is a Filipino-Chamorro native of Guam and the Clinic Administrator and Lead Trainer for the TGF. Ashley's work in the community through TGF focuses on delivering access to quality care for Guam's underserved populations through the organization's six</p>



programs. As a first-time recipient of the TEA mini-grant, TGF has delivered profound success in TB education and screening to the at-risk population of Guam, specifically those from the FSM, Philippines, and Guam. TGF continues to pave the way in delivering access to healthcare in the hard to reach areas of the island with the addition of TB prevention through education, testing, and treatment.

**Juliet K. Choi, JD**

She/Her  
 President and Chief Executive Officer  
 Asian Pacific Islander American Health Forum  
 (APIAHF)




Dr. Juliet K. Choi is the President and Chief Executive Officer of APIAHF, a national health justice organization which influences policy, mobilizes communities, and strengthens programs and organizations to improve the health of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders.

She is an accomplished cross-sector leader and coalition builder who specializes in change management, system reform and stakeholder relations, particularly in the areas of immigration, civil rights, healthcare and disaster relief.

A senior executive, she served in the Obama administration as the former chief of staff and senior advisor of two federal agencies: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security; and the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Prior to her political appointments, she led disaster relief operations and strategic partnerships at the American Red Cross as a member of the disaster leadership team.

	<p>She has previously worked at the Partnership for Public Service, Asian American Justice Center, Mental Health America, and a Fortune 500 corporation. Juliet received her law school's Alumni Association Award for Leadership and Character and Rising Star Alumnus Award. The proud daughter of South Korean immigrants, she is humbled to serve on the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Commission on Data Modernization, and on the boards of the NAPABA Law Foundation and national YWCA USA.</p> <p>A certified mediator, Juliet received her J.D. from University of Maryland School of Law and clerked for the Hon. Dennis M. Sweeney (ret.) of the Circuit Court for Howard County, Maryland. She received her B.A. in Economics from University of Virginia.</p>
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<p><b>Nashia Choudhury, MPH</b>          She/Her          Director of Programs, Health Care Transformation          AAPCHO</p> 	<p>Nashia co-directs and oversees AAPCHO's Programs and Services, supports training and technical assistance, disaggregated data advocacy, workforce development, and health center partnerships. She oversees the Community Health Worker Workforce Collaborative, National Training and Technical Assistance Partnerships, and partnerships focused on enabling services, data collection and social needs interventions.</p> <p>Prior to joining AAPCHO, Nashia served as the Data and Evaluation Manager at the National Association of Community Health Workers; Director of Operations at MyCare Health Center in Michigan; and Associate Director of Operations and Enabling Services at the Michigan Primary Care Association. Nashia has expertise in health center programming, federal grants management, training and technical assistance, network growth and partnerships, resource development, policy advocacy, and workforce sustainability.</p>
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	<p>Nashia earned a Bachelor’s degree in Health Sciences from Oakland University and a Master of Public Health from the University of Michigan School of Public Health.</p>
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<p><b>Chari Cohen, DrPH, MPH</b>          She/Her          President          Hepatitis B Foundation</p>  <p>A professional headshot of Chari Cohen, a woman with long, dark, wavy hair, smiling. She is wearing a dark blue sleeveless top with a subtle floral pattern.</p>	<p>Dr. Chari Cohen is President of the Hepatitis B Foundation. For the past 22 years, she has planned, implemented and evaluated community programs and research projects focusing on reducing health disparities and improving health outcomes associated with hepatitis B and liver cancer. Dr. Cohen is co-chair of the national Hep B United coalition, co-founder and chair of Hep B United Philadelphia, co-founder and chair of CHIPO: Coalition Against Hepatitis for People of African Origin; co-chair of the Hep Free PA coalition; and chair of the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center Community Advisory Board. She is a member of the ICE-HBV steering committee, the HepVu advisory committee, and is a member of the HBV Forum for Collaborative Research and the Patient Advocacy Group of the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD). Dr. Cohen is Professor at the Baruch S. Blumberg Institute, and adjunct faculty for Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine.</p>
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**Jacqueline (Jackie) Cuen**  
 She/Her  
 TB Survivor and Advocate  
 We Are TB / Somos TB



Jackie Cuen is a TB Survivor and Advocate from the San Diego, CA/Tijuana, Mexico border area. She was diagnosed with drug-susceptible, active pulmonary TB in February 2019. Later that year, she started actively working with other public health professionals and organizations dedicated to eradicating TB. As a Somos TB Support member, she has been helping lead peer support meetings in Spanish for those undergoing TB treatment, former TB patients, as well as their caretakers.

**Mukta Deia (Deia)**  
 She/Her  
 Program Coordinator of Infectious Diseases  
 AAPCHO



Mukta Deia is the Program Coordinator of Infectious Diseases at AAPCHO. In this role, Deia is principally responsible for providing assistance in coordinating programs related to maintaining and strengthening current tuberculosis (TB) control, COVID-19, and Hepatitis B priorities. She also serves as TEA and AAPCHO's representative on both the TB Roundtable and Stop TB USA Media Workgroup, and NTCA/Union-NAR 2024 National TB Conference Abstract Planning Committee.


Before joining AAPCHO, Deia served as COVID-19 Response Program Manager at the American College of Medical Toxicology, where she oversaw the assessment of the COVID-19 Response Task Force and the delivery of dynamic activities to meet their needs.

Deia received her BS in Public Health from The Ohio State University. She accumulated years of experience in the fields of educational technology and organizational learning while working at the university's College of Public Health as an

	<p>instructional design assistant and collaborating with subject matter experts to create educational materials for their courses, contributing to the improvement of student learning outcomes.</p>
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<p><b>Nickolas (Nick) DeLuca, PhD</b>          He/Him          Chief of Communications, Education, and Behavioral Studies Branch (CEBSB)          Division of TB Elimination, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)</p> 	<p>Dr. Nick DeLuca is the Chief of the CEBSB at the CDC Division of TB Elimination. Dr. DeLuca previously served as the Associate Director for Communication Science in the Center for Global Health (CGH). There, he led a variety of important actions, including the development and implementation of many new communication products, extensive updates to web-based and social media materials, delivery of emergency and risk communication training to countries throughout the world, and media relations with a variety of domestic and international media outlets.</p> <p>From 2012-2016, Dr. DeLuca served as the Chief of the Prevention Communication Branch in the Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention. In that role, he oversaw science-based HIV communications programs and campaigns promoting HIV awareness, testing, prevention, and services for the public, persons at risk for and living with HIV, as well as for healthcare professionals treating and caring for persons with HIV. From 2008-2011, Dr. DeLuca was the Prevention Advisor with CDC's Global AIDS Program in Namibia, where he managed HIV and TB prevention, communications, education, and intervention programs.</p> <p>Dr. DeLuca began his CDC career in CEBSB in 1997, and he became Team Lead for the Education, Training, and Behavioral Studies Team in 2002. As team lead, he oversaw a variety of behavioral science research activities and developed numerous TB-related education, training, and communication products. He is an author on several scientific publications from</p>
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	<p>his work in DTBE. Dr. DeLuca received his PhD in Health Education and Health Promotion from the University of Alabama at Birmingham.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Alan Doan</b> He/Him Program Manager Asian Pacific Health Foundation (APHF)</p> 	<p>Alan Doan serves as a Program Manager for APHF, a non-profit, community-based organization that provides free clinical screening and education services to the underserved communities throughout San Diego in order to better health outcomes. With the support of TEA's TB Mini-grant, project leads, Alan Doan and Brianna Dzyuba, have integrated tuberculosis education and prevention into APHF's central mission, while working to mitigate TB transmission and to encourage TB screening. Through the use of interactive activities, audience engagement, and a safe culture for learning, APHF is moving to end TB—one community member at a time!</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Adama Dyoniziak, MPH</b> She/Her Executive Director Champions for Health (CHF)</p> 	<p>Adama Dyoniziak is the Executive Director of CHF. Since 2018, Adama has overseen CHF's staff, operations, and board committees. She has over 25 years of experience in strategic planning, fiscal management, revenue development, program development, implementation and evaluation, and organizational management. She has previously worked at the Braille Institute, Long Beach Department of Health &amp; Human Services, Watts Health Foundation, and was a lecturer for 20 years at CSU Long Beach. She holds an MPH from San Diego State University School of Public Health.</p>
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<p><b>Lusiana (Lucy) Hansen</b>          She/Her          Founder and Chief Executive Officer          Polynesian Association of Alaska (PAOA)</p> 	<p>Lucy Hansen is the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of the PAOA, a nonprofit organization with the mission to support individuals, improve families by promoting education, and instill cultural pride in youth. She also started a Polynesian Culture Saturday School in partnership with the Anchorage School District teaching Samoan and Tongan Language and Culture in Anchorage. She also served as a board member of Bridge Builders of Anchorage from 2018 to 2019 and was honored as the Vice President of Bridge Builders of Anchorage.</p> <p>In 2005, Lucy hosted the first Polynesian Culture Flag Day in Alaska and became the first Polynesian (Samoa) woman to raise the American Samoa, Independent Samoa, and their Sister Island of Tonga National Flags in the soil of Anchorage Alaska. In recognition of her advocacy for the Polynesian community, she was honored with a Chief Samoan Title Name, Muaimalae Tuga Hansen, from the Atoali'i organization in Hawaii and California. She also earned many other awards, including the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Women "Champions of Change" Award from the White House, the "Women of Achievement Award" from the YWCA of Alaska, the Presidential Award from Bridge Builders of Anchorage 2021, and Community Heart Award 2022 through Anchorage Community Land Trust. Lusiana is a true Pacific Island Leader for her people and her community.</p>
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<p><b>Elizabeth Harding, MD</b>          She/Her          Family Physician          Jericho Road Community Health Center</p>	<p>Dr. Elizabeth Harding is a family physician at Jericho Road Community Health Center. She completed her graduate studies at the Union Theological Seminary, and her medical training at the Weill Cornell College of Medicine and the University of North Carolina-MAHEC. She lives and works in Buffalo, NY.</p>
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**Frank Hood**  
 He/Him  
 Director, Hep B United  
 Associate Director - Policy & Partnerships,  
 Hepatitis B Foundation

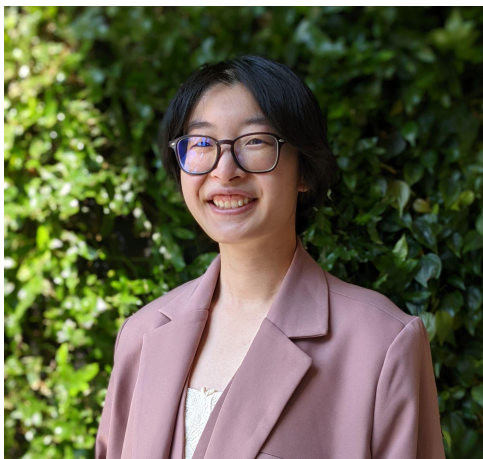


Frank Hood currently serves as Director of Hep B United and the Associate Director of Policy and Partnerships at the Hepatitis B Foundation. In these roles he works to connect the voices of advocates and those living with hep B to policymakers at the federal level to improve access to screening, treatment, and vaccination for the disease. Prior to starting his role this summer, he worked in viral hepatitis advocacy at the federal level for six years, and spent the six years prior to that organizing for community, union, and political causes at the grassroots level. He graduated with his BS from Ball State University having majored in both Entrepreneurship and Political Science, and acquired his MPS from George Washington University in Political Management.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mei Kan, MPH</b> She/Her Program Coordinator Midwest Asian Health Association (MAHA)</p> 	<p>Mei Kan came to the US in 2021 for her master's degree in Public Health - Epidemiology. She is currently a Project Coordinator at MAHA, and is mainly in charge of disease prevention programs. In the TEA mini-grant project, she is the project lead and glad to address TB related issues and help eliminate it. Besides conducting community education, she is a big fan of data analysis and has put great effort into reporting and visualizing health-related data.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tenzin Kunor, MPH, M.ED.</b> He/Him MDR-TB Survivor We Are TB</p> 	<p>Tenzin Kunor is an MDR-TB survivor and an education and advocacy coordinator for We are TB, a TB survivor-led advocacy and support organization in the United States. Tenzin has a passion for access and equity in health and in higher education. He also serves as a member of the WHO Civil Society Task Force on TB. For the TB Elimination Alliance Mini-Grant project, Tenzin served as Project Coordinator, where he worked closely with the Wisconsin Tibetan Association to build awareness regarding TB and LTBI, and to better understand the lived experiences of the Tibetan Americans affected by TB. Tenzin has a Masters in Education from Iowa State University, and has recently completed his Masters in Public Health at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.</p>
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**Meagan Lee, MPH**  
 She/Her  
 Research Coordinator  
 North East Medical Services (NEMS)



Meagan Lee is a Research Coordinator at NEMS, under Dr. Amy Tang, Director of Immigrant Health. A recent MPH graduate from the University of New England, Meagan’s primary focus is on coordinating the CDC Tuberculosis Epidemiologic Studies Consortium (TBESC) III study interventions at NEMS – along with working with local and regional health departments on other TB-related projects.

**Robin Lewy, MA**  
 She/Her  
 Co-Founder and Director  
 Rural Women’s Health Project (RWHP)



Robin Lewy is Co-Founder and Director of RWHP,, the only health justice organization in North Florida. Robin has worked for 35 years in social justice, health education and community mobilization in the United States and Central America. In her role, she oversees advocacy and direct service programming that serves Latinx immigrants, farmworkers and rural communities. Robin is a regional trainer on health inequity in rural communities, Promotor de Salud programming and the use of testimonial media. She is the Community Liaison for the Gainesville Immigrant Neighbor Inclusion Initiative, which has brought together 60 members into a Steering Committee to develop a Blueprint for immigrant integration in the city and county. She holds a MA in Social Development and Popular Theatre, University of Nebraska-Omaha.





**Philip LoBue, MD, FACP, FCCP**

He/Him

Director, Division of Tuberculosis Elimination  
National Center for HIV, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and  
TB Prevention (NCHHSTP), Centers for Disease  
Control and Prevention



Dr. Philip LoBue is the Director of the Division of Tuberculosis Elimination (DTBE) within the CDC's NCHHSTP.

Dr. LoBue received his undergraduate and medical degrees from the University of Pennsylvania. He received postgraduate training in Internal Medicine and Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at the University of California San Diego Medical Center where he was subsequently a Clinical Instructor and Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine from 1995 to 1999. In 1999, Dr. LoBue joined DTBE as a medical epidemiologist assigned to the Tuberculosis Control Program in San Diego County, CA. In 2004, he moved to CDC headquarters in Atlanta, GA to become Chief of the Medical Consultation Team of DTBE. Between 2006 and 2014, Dr. LoBue was the Associate Director for Science for the division. Dr. LoBue is a fellow in the American College of Physicians and American College of Chest Physicians. He is also a member of the American Thoracic Society (ATS), in which he has served on the Ethics and Conflict of Interest Committee and the Program (chair 2008-2009), Planning, and Executive Committees of the Microbiology, Tuberculosis, and Pulmonary Infections Assembly. Dr. LoBue has authored or co-authored more than 80 publications including peer-reviewed journal articles, book chapters, and Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report articles. He has chaired or served on more than 10 guidelines and recommendations committees and panels for multiple organizations including CDC, ATS, the US Federal Tuberculosis Task Force, and the World Health Organization. His scholarly interests include tuberculosis diagnosis, treatment, and transmission dynamics, evidence-based guideline development, and human subjects research ethics.

**Kekoa (Koa) Lopez-Paguyo, MPH**  
 He/Him/They/Them  
 Program Manager  
 Regional Pacific Islander Task Force (RPITF)



Kekoa (Koa) Lopez-Paguyo is a mixed race Kanaka Ōiwi (Native Hawaiian) and an emerging public health leader from Kalihi on the island of O’ahu. Koa is a 2020 MPH graduate from UC Berkeley School of Public Health with a concentration on Health & Social Behavior. Koa is passionate about serving the Pacific Islander communities across the Bay Area and has been critical in early COVID-19 public health responses in Alameda, Santa Clara, San Mateo, and Sonoma counties with RPITF, a Pacific Islander public health advocacy organization based in the Bay Area of Northern California.

Koa identifies as a Māhū wahine (trans woman) as well as a QTPI (Queer, Trans Pacific Islander) and has a strong affinity for community organizing, community-based participatory research (CBPR) research approaches, and Pacific Islander culturally-relevant public health intervention design. Throughout the pandemic, Koa has been a staunch advocate of Asian American/Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (AA/NHPI) data disaggregation in COVID-19 surveillance data (i.e., cases and deaths) to be able to reveal COVID-19 health disparities among small populations like NHPI that are unfortunately hidden within aggregated AA/NHPI data. Koa focused on health equity in COVID-19 vaccine/testing access and case investigation/contract tracing; as well as collaborating with multiple Bay Area County departments of public health (DPH) and multiple organizational partnerships to address NHPI community health needs through upstream and downstream public health strategies.

**Kapiolani Micky**  
 She/Her  
 Community Outreach Worker  
 Micronesian Islander Community (MIC)





Kapiolani Micky is from the island of Chuuk Federated State of Micronesia. Kapiolani graduated from Park College in 1999 with a degree in Political Science and Public Administration. She has worked with the MIC in Salem, OR for many years as a Community Coordinator, Community Health Worker, and Oregon Health Plan Assister. She serves as Program Director in the TEA mini-grant project.

**Tricia Nguyen, MPH**  
 She/Her  
 Chief Executive Officer  
 Southland Integrated Services, Inc.



Tricia Nguyen is the Chief Executive Officer of Southland Integrated Services, Inc. formerly known as Vietnamese Community of Orange County, Inc. located in the City of Garden Grove. She is responsible for the administration, financing and operations of the non-profit that provides comprehensive health, mental health, social, transportation and other supportive services to low-income residents in Orange County. She is currently serving as the Secretary on the Board of Coalition of Orange County Community Health Centers. She previously served on the Board of Directors for CalOptima (2012-2016) and Multi-Ethnic Collaborative of Community Agencies. She has a Master's Degree in Public Health from UCLA. She has over twenty years of experience in nonprofit management and public health services.

<p><b>John Nguyen-Yap</b> He/Him Director of Programs, Community Initiatives AAPCHO</p> 	<p>John co-directs and oversees AAPCHO's Programs and Services, focused on enhancing application of AAPCHO's equitable practices in programs and community-based initiatives. John supports community-based partnerships with the Pacific Islander Center of Primary Care Excellence, Tuberculosis Elimination Alliance, COVID-19 and Other Infectious Diseases Health Equity Response Network, and the Pacific Islander Diabetes Prevention Program.</p> <p>Prior to joining AAPCHO, John served as an Outreach and Advocacy Manager at California Humanities to increase access to resources for diverse humanities and cultural programming entities. John was also a Community Services Manager at AAPCHO Member, Asian Health Services.</p> <p>John earned a Bachelor of Art degree in Sociology from the University of California Davis and a Master of Social Work from San Jose State University.</p>
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<p><b>Amee Patrawalla, MD, MPH</b> She/Her Secretary Stop TB USA</p> 	<p>Dr. Amee Patrawalla is trained in pulmonary and critical care medicine and is a full-time faculty member at Rutgers New Jersey Medical School (NJMS) in the Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care. She is also Director of TB Medical Consultation at the Global Tuberculosis Institute, and sees TB patients in both the inpatient and outpatient setting at University Hospital and the Lattimore Practice. Furthermore, she is the Director of the Pulmonary Critical Care Fellowship Program at NJMS, where she is involved in teaching the house staff and fellows about TB. She is currently the Secretary for Stop TB USA.</p>
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**Duncan Reid, MD, MS**  
 He/Him  
 Director  
 EthnoMed



Dr. Duncan Reid is a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Medicine at the University of Washington. He is based at Harborview Medical Center and serves as the Director for the EthnoMed website.

Dr. Reid is a general internist based in the International Medicine Clinic, where he provides care to adult refugee and immigrant patients. He has experience in cross-cultural medicine and community health promotion. His professional interests include refugee and immigrant health care, health disparities, and quality improvement.

Dr. Reid completed residency in internal medicine at the University of Washington and received his MD from Yale School of Medicine. He has received funding for past work, including a Fogarty International Fellowship studying TB in South Africa, a Fulbright Scholarship studying freshwater fishes of Cameroon, and a National Human Genome Research Institute grant studying fish genetics. He also has spent time living in Cameroon, Uganda, Kenya, Gabon, Central African Republic, and Ghana participating in various research activities.

**Karen Reyna**  
 She/Her  
 TB Survivor  
 We Are TB / Somos TB



Karen Reyna is a pulmonary TB survivor who overcame TB shortly after delivering her premature baby, who also contracted TB. Karen is part of Somos TB, where she offers support to Spanish-speaking patients battling TB.



**Alok Sarwal, PhD, MBA**

He/Him

Co-Founder and Executive Director  
Colorado Alliance for Health Equity & Practice  
(CAHEP)



Dr. Alok Sarwal has been the Co-Founder and Executive Director of CAHEP since 2001. This coalition of Asian-Pacific communities was first established for working with Tuberculosis (TB) for the AAPI population of Colorado and has expanded to numerous chronic diseases and comprehensive patient care. He has pioneered an innovative Medical Information Technology system to collect patient information and provide immediate analysis of the risk. This system understands the multilingual and multicultural aspects of patient interaction. It is now being widely used in numerous health-fairs and health education programs. He is recognized as a leader in health promotion and community based services. He is a champion of social equity and multi-ethnic partnerships.

**Chibo Shinagawa, MS, PMP**

She/Her


Senior Program Manager of Infectious Diseases  
AAPCHO



Chibo Shinagawa is the Senior Program Manager of Infectious Diseases at AAPCHO. In this role, Chibo is the lead point of contact with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Project Officers and principally responsible for managing AAPCHO's Tuberculosis (TB) Elimination Alliance (TEA) program, and serves as TEA and AAPCHO's representative on both the Stop TB USA Coordinating Board, the Curry International Tuberculosis Center Western Region Advisory Committee, California TB Elimination Advisory Committee, TB Secretariat, and the Coalition for a TB-Free California. In addition to strengthening current TB control and prevention, Chibo facilitates member engagement with the COVID-19 and Other Infectious Diseases Health Equity Response Network (CHERN) program.

Prior to working at AAPCHO, Chibo managed the data, evaluation, and program reporting at Asian Women's Shelter for federal and foundation grants serving AAs, NH/PIs survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking. In addition to her

professional experiences, Chibo worked cross-culturally in Rwanda with the U.S. Peace Corps and Global Health Corps (GHC). From 2016-2018, Chibo was a Maternal and Child Health specialist at a rural community health center in the Northern Province of Rwanda with the Peace Corps and in 2019, she was a Quality Improvement GHC Fellow at the Ministry of Health in Kigali, Rwanda. Chibo volunteers on the board of ACCESS REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE and is Vice-President of the Board of the Northern California Peace Corps Association. Chibo holds a Master of Science degree in Global Health Policy and Management from Brandeis University and a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology from Mills College.

<p><b>Fayette Nguyen Truax, PhD, RN, CPNP</b>          She/Her          Assistant Professor          School of Nursing, Loma Linda University          Southland Integrated Services, Inc.</p> 	<p>Dr. Fayette Truax works to improve the lives of immigrants and children. She maintains clinical expertise as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and works in a primary care setting; she has taught and directed the PNP program at the LLUSN. Her past research has identified barriers to latent TB treatment acceptance and the patients' decision-making process of accepting or declining the free treatment offered by the public health department. Indeed, since 2012, she has worked very closely with the Orange County Public Health Department Pulmonary Division to conduct research aimed at reducing TB disease. She is currently working with SouthLand Integrated Services on a project to improve LTBI testing and treatment among Vietnamese immigrants.</p>
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<p><b>Cynthia A. Tschampl, PhD</b>          She/Her          Chair          Stop TB USA</p>	<p>Dr. Cynthia Tschampl is a Scientist at The Heller School for Social Policy and Management at Brandeis University and has 20 years' experience with U.S. and global health, starting with a policy</p>
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and advocacy background (including work in South Africa, Colombia, and Haiti). Dr. Tschampl's research involves both quantitative and qualitative research methods with specialization in economic evaluations. Her research interests include prevention and control of infectious diseases (including healthcare financing thereof), responses to substance use disorder, services for people without housing, health inequities, eating disorders, and quality measurement. Dr. Tschampl has served on the Massachusetts Medical Advisory Committee for the Elimination of Tuberculosis (MACET) since 2004 and gave the Inaugural Thomas Q. Garvey Public Health Lecture in 2021. She received the National TB Controller Association's 2011 Charles DeGraw TB Award for outstanding service and was elected Chair-Elect of Stop TB USA in 2021 and rose to Chair in 2023. She has served nearly a decade on the planning committee of the North American Region meeting of The International Union Against TB and Lung Disease, including as Co-Chair of the Stop TB Plenary since 2020. She has also served as a member of the Global Partnership for Dengue Control.

**Pervaiz Tufail, MSc**  
He/Him  
Director  
TBPeople Pakistan



Pervaiz is the Director of TBpeople Pakistan Foundation. He is a TB and HEP B survivor with extensive TB, TB/HIV, HEP-B advocacy, programming and people with TB empowerment and community engagement experience. He remains engaged in capacity building of people with TB for their active, effective, and meaningful participation, particularly TB survivors, people with TB disease and people with possible TB and other vulnerable communities.

Pervaiz started his professional transformational journey from TB field mobilizer to Stop TB Partnership Board member and Global Fund technical review member. In addition to his MSc in Psychology, he is engaged in developing people



	<p>with TB networks and community activism. He has had practical experience as working as community delegate and policy advocacy person at different national and global forums.</p> <p>He has helped TB people, organizations, and grass root communities in positioning of TB people rights, to incorporate the needs and strengthen implementation of community engagement. His work enhanced TB people's capacity to overcome obstacles affecting social, educational, and long-term sustainability.</p>
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<p><b>Mai Xiong Vang, RN, MSN, PHN</b>          She/Her          TB Program Manager          St. Paul – Ramsey County Public Health</p> 	<p>Mai Xiong Vang is the manager of the St. Paul - Ramsey County Public Health Tuberculosis Control Program. She leads a team of public health nurses and clinic staff who provide direct care to active and latent TB patients. She has worked in a variety of roles within the TB Program, including case manager, coordinator, and head nurse. In the TEA mini-grant project, Mai Xiong managed grant activities, led engagement efforts with community partners, and joined in outreach events with her team.</p>
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<p><b>Edward Zuroweste, MD</b>          He/Him          Founding Director          Migrant Clinicians Network          Stop TB USA</p>	<p>Dr. Ed Zuroweste has over 40 years of experience as a Board-Certified Family Physician focused on the care of underserved populations. For 20 years, he maintained a full-time clinical practice in family practice in Chambersburg, PA, first in private practice and later as the Medical Director of a CHC. Dr. Zuroweste was a founding member, and current Founding Medical Director of the Migrant</p>
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Clinicians Network. He is the TB Medical Consultant for the PA DOH and serves as the attending physician for 8 PA TB Clinics. He is an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Medicine at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine where he has directed an international health elective for medical students in Honduras since 1999. In 2009- 2010, Dr. Zuroweste served as a “special medical consultant” for WHO in Geneva, where he worked with limited resource hospitals and clinics related to the H1N1 pandemic. During the Ebola Epidemic (Oct/Nov 2014), he worked as a medical consultant with WHO as part of the Ebola Response Team in both Guinea and Sierra Leone, where he trained over 200 Cuban physicians and nurses to work in Ebola treatment centers. In March 2017, he participated in a CDC/WHO project to screen all 6,000 adults on the island of Ebeye in the Marshall Islands for TB, Leprosy, DM and HTN. He returned to the Marshall Islands in August 2018 for a project to screen over 24,000 individuals on the island of Majuro. He has also participated in a similar CDC/WHO project in Chuuk (Micronesia) in 2022.