



## **2025 Accelerating Health Equity Conference Imagination, Innovation and Impact**

The American Hospital Association’s Community Health Improvement (ACHI) network and its Institute for Diversity and Health Equity (IFDHE) are bringing together leaders from hospitals, health systems, public health departments and community organizations for the annual Accelerating Health Equity Conference. Taking place in Atlanta, the 2025 conference will provide leaders in the field with the space and resources to imagine, innovate and make impactful change. Attendees will learn about and discuss insights, tools, promising practices and success stories that will help them address barriers that prevent access to high quality, equitable care in their communities and ultimately improve health and health equity throughout the country.

### **Who attends the conference?**

The conference is attended by over 1,000 leaders (e.g., directors, vice presidents, senior vice presidents, etc.) working in hospitals, health systems, the public health field and community-based organizations. These leaders’ work typically focuses on the following areas:

- Community health
- Community benefit
- Diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging
- Health care administration
- Research, data and analytics
- Public health
- Social services and social care delivery
- Community development and investment
- Human resources

### **What are the main focus areas at the conference?**

Conference attendees have many opportunities to learn from one another, celebrate achievements and collaborate – turning words into action. Specifically, conference sessions focus on five main content areas:

- Building authentic and sustained community engagement and partnership.
- Understanding and meeting individuals’ health and social needs.
- Establishing systematic and shared accountability and building diverse leadership and governance.



- Creating equitable and inclusive workplaces.
- Other emerging topics, such as maternal health, the impact of climate on community health, assuring equitable outcomes for the LGBTQIA+ population, people with disabilities and older adults, and community-based approaches to violence prevention.

Hearing from leading voices working to address health inequities throughout the country, attendees come away with the latest ideas, resources and success stories fueling the important work taking place in the field.

Conference breakout sessions are packed with tactical resources that attendees can bring back to their organizations, and how-to workshops and interactive problem-solving activities give attendees the chance to build their own skillsets.

### **Why should you attend the conference?**

Long-standing health care disparities and inequities, such as structural racism and economic disadvantages, continue to prevent individuals and communities from achieving optimal health outcomes. Societal factors such as education, safe and affordable housing, transportation, accessibility and nutritious food access all have a significant impact on the quality and quantity of an individual's life and overall health.

The Accelerating Health Equity Conference is the premier gathering for leaders focused on addressing these issues. With both the numbers of content proposals and attendees increasing each year, it is clear that leaders engaged in this work find value in this convening. Join us in Atlanta May 19-22 to imagine better ways to address health inequities, brainstorm innovative tactics and strategies and amplify voices across the field to make a true impact in the health and well-being of communities throughout the country.

**To learn more about the May 19-22 conference, visit <https://equityconference.aha.org/>.**