

Agenda

2019 Portland, OR Single Payer Strategy Conference

Friday, October 18

@ The Eliot Center, 1211 SW Main St, Portland, OR 97205

3:00PM - 9:00PM

Conference Registration

(Eliot Center, outside the Main Sanctuary, at the corner of SW Main St and SW 12th Ave)

4:00PM - 5:30PM

Rally for Medicare for All

(At Pioneer Courthouse Square, 701 SW 6th Ave, Portland, OR 97205)

7:00PM - 8:00PM

Reception with h'ors doeuvres and drinks

(Eliot Center, in Fuller Hall, at the corner of SW Main St and SW 12th Ave)

8:00PM - 9:00PM

Opening Plenary

(Eliot Center, Main Sanctuary, at the corner of SW Main St and SW 12th Ave)

- *Call to Order and Call to Action!*
- *Video Welcome from Rep. Pramila Jayapal of Washington*
- *Scott Desnoyers* on the loss of his son, and why we fight.
- *Keynote Speaker* - Rose Roach, Executive Director of the Minnesota Nurses Association on behalf of National Nurses United, on This Moment of Opportunity and Crisis
- Sara Nelson, International President of the Association of Flight Attendants-CWA, on A Worker-Centered Transition to Medicare for All

Saturday, October 19

@ The Eliot Center, 1211 SW Main St, Portland, OR 97205

8:00AM - 9:00AM

Continental Breakfast

(Eliot Center, in Fuller Hall, at the corner of SW Main St and SW 12th Ave)

9:00AM - 10:50AM

Plenary

(Eliot Center, Main Sanctuary, at the corner of SW Main St and SW 12th Ave)

- *Panel: The State of the Movement* - Mark Dudzic, Labor Campaign for Single Payer Healthcare; Cokie Giles, California Nurses Association/National Nurses United; Sofia Sepulveda, Texas Organizing Project; Benjamin Day, Healthcare-NOW.
- *Reports from the Frontlines* - Facilitator: Marva Wade, New York State Nurses Association.
- *Launching Business for Medicare for All* - Richard Master, Business for Medicare for All
- *Panel: Ain't Gonna Let Them Divide and Conquer* - Jose la Luz, Debs-Jones-Douglass Institute; Stephanie Nakajima, Healthcare-NOW; Donna Cartwright, Pride at Work; Medicare advocate.
- *They Will Not Go Softly Into the Good Night* - Alex Lawson, Social Security Works. Breaking down the attacks coming from the medical industrial complex and resisting the pressure to bargain against ourselves.

10:50AM - 12:05PM

Workshop Block A

- What is Single Payer and Why is it Important? - Peter Mahr, Samuel Metz, Michael Huntington, and Ken Rosenberg of Physicians for a National Health Program Oregon (Main Sanctuary)
- Winning Municipal Resolutions in Support of Medicare for All - Facilitators: Melinda St. Louis and Brittany Shannahan, Public Citizen; Kaytlin Gilbert, Physicians for a National Health Program (3rd floor Classroom)
- Head Them Off at the Pass! Putting Together a Labor Posse - Facilitators: Gene Carroll (LCSP) with Martha Livingston (UUP/AFT), Jim McGee (ATU), Marva Wade (NYSNA), Susan Reardon (BMWED/IBT) and Joel Shufro (LCSP) (2nd floor Classroom)
- Bird-Dogging for Medicare for All - Facilitator: Jennifer Flynn Walker, Center for Popular Democracy (Yoga room 108)
- State of the States: Effective Coalition-Building Strategies - Facilitators: Rachel DeGolia, Universal Health Care Action Network and Chuck Pennacchio, One Payer States (Fuller Hall)

- How Will We Pay for Medicare for All? - Facilitators: Katherine Isaac, Debs-Jones-Douglass Institute; Kris Raab, Labor Institute (Buchan)
- Partnering with Businesses in Support of Medicare for All - Facilitator: Daniel Barlow, Business for Medicare for All (Eliot Chapel)

12:05PM - 1:05PM

Lunch and Caucusing

(Eliot Center, Buchan Atrium, at the 1226 SW Salmon Street entrance)

1:05PM - 2:20PM

Workshop Block B

- Taking on Big Pharma - Facilitators: Alex Lawson, Social Security Works; Melinda St. Louis, Public Citizen, Dr. Becca Spain, Physicians for a National Health Program; Justin Mendoza, Families USA (2nd floor Classroom)
- Reimagining a Just Transition - Facilitator: Katherine Isaac, Executive Director, Debs-Jones-Douglass Institute; with Jed Dodd, Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees Division-IBT; Gordon Lafer, Professor, Labor Education and Research Center, University of Oregon, Michael Lighty, National Union of Healthcare Workers (Buchan)
- Building a feminist, multi-racial, pro-immigrant, accessible movement for Medicare for All: Why and how? - Facilitators: Roona Ray and Yuling Koh Hsu, Campaign for New York Health; Darius Gordon, Center for Popular Democracy; Sofia Sepulveda, Texas Organizing Project; and Jose La Luz, Debs Jones Douglass Institute (3rd floor Classroom)
- We Must Win: Basebuilding Is How We Do It - Facilitators: Noah Levinson, Healthcare4AllPA; Ursula Rozum, PNHP New York Metro; and Jon Weissman, Western Massachusetts Medicare for All (Fuller Hall)
- Know Your Enemy: Opposition Research - Facilitators: Ben Palmquist, NESRI; Wendell Potter, Business for Medicare for All (Main Sanctuary)
- Lessons from the Field: Two Years of Building Pressure and a Base with the Democratic Socialists of America - Facilitator: Christie Offenbacher, DSA (Yoga room 108)
- Partnering with Businesses in Support of Medicare for All - Facilitator: Daniel Barlow, Business for Medicare for All (Eliot Chapel)

2:20PM - 4:25PM

Plenary

(Eliot Center, Main Sanctuary, at the corner of SW Main St and SW 12th Ave)

- *Crafting a Comprehensive Strategy for Victory*
- *Video Interview: O Canada!* - Dr. Monika Dutt, Canadian Doctors for Medicare
- *The State of Play in Washington, DC*

- *Panel: Ramping Up for 2020* - Moderator: Donna Smith; Marti Garza, International Association of Machinists; Jennifer Flynn Walker, Center for Popular Democracy; Michael Lighty, Democratic Socialists of America)

4:25PM - 5:25PM

Distributed Organizing on Medicare for All: Wins, Challenges, and the Path Forward - Kelly Coogan-Gehr and Jasmine Ruddy, National Nurses United.

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Off-Agenda Saturday Evening Events

6:00PM-8:00PM

Happy Hour & Mixer at Shift Drinks PDX, hosted by the Medicare For All Resolutions Campaign. (Shift Drinks PDX, 1200 SW Morrison St, Portland, OR 97205)

7:00PM-9:00PM

FREE Screening of Knock Down the House with Amy Vilela.

(Eliot Center, Eliot Chapel, at the 1011 SW 12th Ave entrance)

Sunday, October 20

@ The Benson Hotel, Mayfair Ballroom, 2nd floor 309 SW Broadway, Portland, OR 97205

8:00AM - 9:00AM

Continental Breakfast

9:10AM - 9:30AM

Everybody In! Confronting Inequities and Bringing the Most Affected Voices to the Table - Darius Gordon, Center for Popular Democracy

9:30AM - 11:00AM

Roundtable Strategy Discussions & Report-Backs

11:00AM - 11:20AM

This is What Democracy Looks Like! Learning from Puerto Rico - Carmen Yulín Cruz, Mayor of San Juan, Puerto Rico.