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Transforming Narratives to Create Racial and Health Equity

PRESENTER BIOSKETCHES

T. Gonzales

Director

Center for Health Equity

Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness

T serves the residents of Louisville as Director for the Center for Health Equity. T began working of the Center for Health Equity in 2010 to coordinate the department's Racial Healing and Equity Initiative. T supports the department's strategy to deepen its focus on the root causes of health through authentic community engagement, strategic partnerships, addressing data gaps and challenges, and through policy analysis and development. As an active community member, T is committed to numerous organizations, projects, boards, and community campaigns.

T has varied interests, including: LGBTQ health, racial equity, crafting, and watching any TV show with Gordon Ramsay.

T is originally from Texas and has called Louisville, Kentucky, home since 2006. T is a graduate of the University of Houston where T earned a Master of Social Work with a policy concentration. T holds a Bachelor of Arts in Social Work from St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas. T's top strengths are: deliberative, analytical, connectedness, relator, and learner.



Jonathan Heller

Senior Health Equity Fellow

University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute

Jonathan Heller recently joined the Population Health Institute at the University of Wisconsin as a Senior Health Equity Fellow. He is the co-founder and until 2020 was the co-director of Human Impact Partners, a national non-profit focused on bringing the power of public health to campaigns and movements for a just society. Under Jonathan's leadership for 14 years, Human Impact Partners became a national public health leader focused on changing policies related to the social determinants of health by: supporting community organizing groups and campaigns with



research and advocacy; conducting leadership development, capacity building, and political education with public health agencies; organizing the public health community; and supporting narrative change initiatives. HIP is credited for advancing a focus on equity and community power building within public health. Jonathan received his bachelor's degree from Harvard University and doctorate from University of California, Berkeley, and he served in the Peace Corps in Papua New Guinea. Jonathan is a co-founder and past president of the Society of Practitioners of Health Impact Assessment (SOPHIA) and serves on the board of Community Change.

Paula Tran Inzeo

Director

Mobilizing Action Toward Community Health

Paula's areas of research and practice focus on topics of health equity and health equity capacity building, collective community action, power building, and health in all policies. She brings a rich background of deep community engagement and applied research, including her previous work in the following capacities:

- Assistant Director at the University of Wisconsin-Madison Center for Community and Nonprofit Studies
- Transform WI Health Equity Coordinator
- Founding Coordinator of Thrive WI (statewide health equity alliance)
- Founding Chair of the Wisconsin Public Health Association Health Impact Assessment/ Health in All Policies Section
- Population Health Service Fellow with the Wisconsin Division of Public Health and Wisconsin Center for Health Equity

Most recently, Paula was the Health Promotion State Specialist at UW-Extension, where she supported the translation of research to meaningful and tailored practices to promote community well-being, and worked with county and state colleagues to advance efforts to promote health across the lifespan, including reducing health disparities and enhancing health equity. Paula received her BS and MPH from UW-Madison, and is currently a doctoral candidate in the Civil Society and Community Research PhD program in the UW School of Human Ecology.

