



## The NHMA Update

Welcome to the July 2021 edition of the *NHMA Update*! Please note that this message may be clipped by Gmail — please click "View entire message" at the bottom of the email to view all of our content!

### Announcements



Sign yourself and your organization up to become **Vaccinate4All Champions**! As a Champion, you will gain access to NHMA's wide network of resources to help promote your events and share opportunities that increase vaccination accessibility and uptake among the Latino community. Organizational Champions can additionally share and access resources through cross collaboration on vaccination efforts through HispanicHealth.info and have opportunities to join the latest expert discussions on COVID-19 through NHMA's virtual briefing series, among many other perks!

Please share this opportunity with your networks to help expand our coalition for [Vaccinate4All](https://www.vaccinate4all.org/).

Become a Champion

**Session 10 – COVID-19 Virtual Briefing Series:**  
**How to talk to the Latino Gen Z community about the COVID-19 Vaccines**  
 Wednesday, July 28th at 7:00 pm ET  
 Register Now: [bit.ly/NHMACOVIDBriefing](https://bit.ly/NHMACOVIDBriefing)

**Moderator**

**Elena Rios, MD, MSPH, FACP**  
 President & CEO  
 NHMA

**Speakers**

**Yvonne A. Maldonado, MD, FAAP, FPIDS, FIDSA**  
 Taube Professor of Global Health and Infectious Diseases  
 Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Development and Diversity  
 Professor, Department of Pediatrics and Epidemiology and Population Health  
 Chief, Division of Infectious Diseases  
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**Pierluigi Mancini PhD, MAC**  
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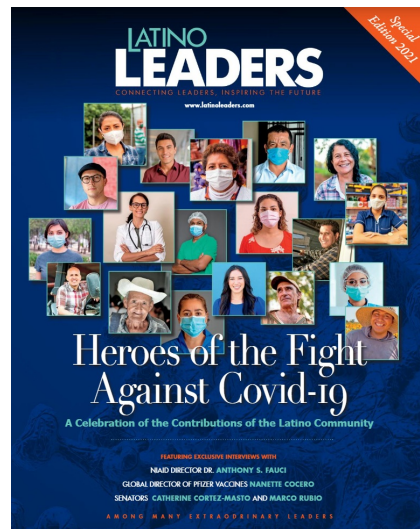
**NHMA Virtual Briefing Series Session 10: How to talk to the Latino Gen Z Community about the COVID-19 Vaccines**  
 Wednesday, July 28, 2021 | 7 to 8:15 p.m. ET

Panelists will include Yvonne A. Maldonado, MD, FAAP, FPIDS, FIDSA; Pierluigi Mancini PhD, MAC; Emma B. Olivera, MD, FAAP; and Jose Pietro Aparicio MD, MPH. Moderated by Dr. Elena Rios, MS, MSPH, FACP.

Click Here and Scroll to the Bottom of the Page to View Past Virtual Briefings!

The [newest edition](#) of *Latino Leaders Magazine* is out! This special edition, *Heroes of the Fight Against Covid-19*, features interviews and articles from some of the nation's leading figures such as Dr. Anthony Fauci, Chef José Andrés, Senator Marco Rubio, and our very own Dr. Elena Rios!

Read the Magazine Online



## Congressional Briefing

Health Equity for America's Families, Infrastructure & Investments

July 29th from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. ET

**Moderator**

Elena Rios, MD, MSPH, FACP  
President & CEO  
NHMA

**Welcoming Remarks**

Congressman Raul Ruiz, MD  
Chair  
Congressional Hispanic Caucus

**Registration deadline: July 26th**  
Register at  
[bit.ly/julycongressionalbrief](https://bit.ly/julycongressionalbrief)

**Speakers**

Gina Adams, MPP  
Senior Fellow  
Urban Institute

Francisco Rodriguez, PhD  
Chancellor  
Los Angeles Community College District

Lydia Cardona, MPhil  
Climate and Clean Air Program Manager  
Green Latinos

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National Hispanic Medical Association

### Health Equity for America's Families, Infrastructure & Investments

Thursday, July 29 from 1:30 to 2 p.m. ET

The National Hispanic Medical Association is convening a Congressional Briefing on the American Families Plan, the American Jobs Plan, and the Invest in America Act to discuss issues that impact health equity of the most vulnerable in our nation. We are hosting the event in conjunction with the Chairman of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, Congressman Raul Ruiz, and are inviting speakers to address healthcare, education, and other issues surrounding the social determinants of health that are addressed in these policies' frameworks that can increase health equity among our communities. The audience will include Congress and Senate staff and national advocacy organization representatives.

Register

**NHMA President and CEO Dr. Elena Rios participated in several speaking engagements in June:**

- [Cultural Competence in Dementia Care for Latinos](#) - June 11, 2021
- [Colorado's Best: COVID-19 Townhall](#) - June 16, 2021

- [The Atlantic's Health Equity Summit: Diversifying the Healthcare Workforce](#) - June 22, 2021

## NHMA President's Legislative Update

Colleagues,

President Biden and the White House and Congress are working on the American Families Plan and the American Jobs Plan in various committees and a bipartisan effort to seek infrastructure to be debated throughout the summer.

NHMA will be hosting a Congressional Briefing on July 29th to hear from experts on the impact of these policies on health equity.

The Congressional Black Caucus, the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, and the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus sent a letter to Speaker Pelosi and Senate Majority Leader Schumer "to urge you to close the Medicaid 'coverage gap' in the forthcoming American Families Plan." ...

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## In The News

- [There are too few Latino nurses. Covid showed how important they are.](#) - NBC News, June 11, 2021
- [Climate Groups Draw Line On Infrastructure](#) - Environmental Defense Fund, June 16, 2021

## Programs & Campaigns

Your continued support and active involvement are what make NHMA so impactful. Check out the below highlight.



### **Vaccinate4All Campaign**

Supported by the CDC and Johnson & Johnson, the Vaccinate4All campaign was created to arm health professionals and advocates with educational resources about the COVID-19 vaccines in order to increase vaccination participation and accessibility among the Latino community. If you'd like to help us educate and increase uptake, please [fill out our Google Form](#).

## Become an NHMA Medical School Liaison



NHMA Liaisons will be paired with LMSA chapters to discuss various topics and professional opportunities that exist in the field of medicine.



- Liaison should be a practicing Physician or Resident/Fellow
- Attend meetings with chapters three times during the academic year
- The 2021 recruitment cycle will be from September 2021 until August 2023
- Must attend liaison training orientation on August 20, 2021
- All liaisons will receive a certificate of participation & a discount to the NHMA Annual Conference in 2022 & 2023

Please sign up here: <http://bit.ly/NHMAliaison2021> by July 31st, 2021

For additional questions email: Sophie Sibel at [ssibel@nhmamd.org](mailto:ssibel@nhmamd.org)

### Become an NHMA Medical School Liaison

Join NHMA's Medical School Liaison program and:

- Create an open dialogue for medical students with physicians on the frontlines in local communities
- Provide medical students with additional guidance and perspective to supplement academic learning
- Discuss the importance of practicing medicine in the Hispanic community, such as in medical practice, clinics, and hospitals

All liaisons will receive a certificate of participation and discount to the NHMA Annual Conference in March 2022. **Sign up by August 1st.**

Sign Up

## National Hispanic Health Professionals Student Scholarship Program

### *Applications open May 1, 2021*

The 2021 National Hispanic Health Professionals Scholarship is open to any student enrolled full time for the 2022-2023 academic year in the following accredited graduate schools:

- Medicine
- Dentistry
- Pharmacy
- Public Health/Policy or
- Nursing (including BSN) programs
- Physician Associate programs

**Application Information:**  
<http://bit.ly/NHMF2021Scholarship>



### The Hispanic Health Professionals Student Scholarship — Now Open!

Applications are due by **September 24, 2021**, at 11:59 pm Eastern Time. Founded in 2004 by the National Hispanic Health Foundation, this scholarship opportunity is designed to support health professionals with an outstanding academic records, proven leadership, and a strong commitment to serving Hispanics. Please share within your networks.

[Click to explore more information and apply today!](#)

Apply

## NHMA Trailblazers

### What is an NHMA Trailblazer?

NHMA Trailblazers are dedicated members who work relentlessly to reduce health disparities and improve the quality of life for Hispanic communities. Check out what our July Trailblazers have been up to!

This month, we are spotlighting **Ana Lia Graciano, MD, FAAP, FCCM** as an NHMA Trailblazer! Dr. Graciano is a pediatric intensive care physician who works in the Division of Pediatric Critical Care Medicine at the University of Maryland Children's Hospital. She is a member of the Overcoming COVID-19 Investigators, a collaboration between over 70 pediatric hospitals and the CDC that aims to track and characterize the development of complications in children and young adults as a result of exposure to SARS-CoV-2.



NHMA would like to recognize our Board member and Treasurer **Bert Johansson** for his excellent work on the southern border as a Vaccinate4All Champion! Thank you for your dedication to the Hispanic community and health equity.

### Want to be featured as an August Trailblazer?

Each month we'll highlight one to three trailblazing members. Email [communications@nhmamd.org](mailto:communications@nhmamd.org) by **August 6th** to be considered!

## Mark Your Calendars

**NHPA 3rd Virtual Annual Conference**  
Pharmacists Community Engagement: Increasing COVID-19 Vaccine Confidence Among Latinx Communities  
Saturday, July 24, 2021  
4:00 to 7:00 P.M. Eastern Time | 1:00 to 4:00 P.M. Pacific Time

**Speakers:**  
Bert Johansson, MD, FAAP, FCCM  
Ana Lia Graciano, MD, FAAP, FCCM  
Bert Johansson, MD, FAAP, FCCM  
Ana Lia Graciano, MD, FAAP, FCCM

**Registration:**  
<https://www.nhpapharmacist.org/2021/07/24/annual-conference/>

**July 24, 4 p.m. ET**  
NHPA (National Hispanic Pharmacist Association) 3rd Annual Conference

Register

Pending Approval - 1.0 CME for Physicians\* | 1.0 CEU for Dietitians

**FREE HEALTH PROFESSIONAL WEBINAR**

**Lactose Intolerance and Health Inequities Across Diverse Populations**

**Thursday, August 5, 2021 • 12:00 – 1:00 PM EST**

**August 5, 12 p.m. ET**  
Lactose Intolerance and Health Inequities Across Diverse Populations

Learn More



**September 24, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. CT**  
WIN Leadership Conference 2021 "Developing Future Leaders in Nephrology"

Register



## Are you still an active NHMA member?

### Join NHMA today!

As a member of NHMA, you become part of a community of Hispanic physicians, residents, medical students, healthcare professionals, and others dedicated to improving health care for Hispanics, eliminating healthcare disparities, and advancing your careers as leaders for our community — whether in private practice, academia, administration or public service.

TAP TO BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!



### Get Involved

Make the most of this unique opportunity to network and learn from fellow students, residents, physicians, and others that can share meaningful insights and advice. If you'd like to hear more information on how to get involved, email [membership2@nhmamd.org](mailto:membership2@nhmamd.org) or visit [nhmamd.org](http://nhmamd.org).

### Explore Professional Opportunities

NHMA connects our members to a number of career and job advancement opportunities. Visit the NHMA Career Center to learn more!

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## Featured Content

As the National Hispanic Medical Association works to achieve our mission of empowering Hispanic physicians leading efforts to improve the health of Hispanic and other underserved populations, we take a deep interest in health disparities and health inequities that impact communities across the country. In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, identifying and addressing health disparities is more important than ever. The America's Health Rankings 2021 Health Disparities Report, recently released by the United Health Foundation, explores the breadth, depth and persistence of health disparities and provides objective data to inform action for advancing health equity.



Read the Full Article



As part of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) signed by President Biden, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is again lowering the cost of health insurance and opening more pathways for Americans to obtain affordable and comprehensive health coverage. Starting July 1, 2021, consumers who received or are approved to receive unemployment compensation for any week beginning in 2021 may be able to find even lower cost plans and save extra money on out-of-pocket expenses through [HealthCare.gov](http://HealthCare.gov).

To take advantage of these additional savings, consumers who received or have been approved for unemployment compensation in 2021 need to visit [HealthCare.gov](http://HealthCare.gov) to submit a new application or update their existing application to maximize the savings they can get for the rest of 2021.

Read the Press Release

Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA) is an award-winning health system based in Cambridge, Somerville, and Boston's metro-north communities. We provide innovative primary, specialty, and emergency care to our diverse patient population throughout an established network of outpatient clinics, two full-service hospitals and urgent care center. As a Harvard Medical School and Tufts University School of Medicine affiliate, we offer ample teaching opportunities with medical students and residents. We are [currently recruiting for a multitude of departments and positions](#) — ideal candidates will have a strong commitment to providing high quality care to our multicultural community of underinsured patients.



[Read More](#)



Climate change is making extreme weather more frequent and severe. Last year brought us a record-breaking hurricane season, raging wildfires that scorched the West, extreme flooding, and unprecedented heat. This year alone, we face megadroughts, extreme heat waves, and severe storms and hurricanes. The evidence is clear — we need to ACT NOW on climate change.

Join NHMA and the Climate Action Campaign and [sign the petition demanding that climate and clean energy remain at the forefront of any recovery package](#).

[Sign the Petition](#)

The COVID-19 STEM Community Education and Empowerment Internship, a collaboration of New York City medical schools, will recruit underrepresented in medicine, first generation, and disadvantaged recent high school graduates, college, gap year and post bac students interested in medical and health careers to learn about COVID-19 and disparities, vaccine science, the roles of medicine and public health, and strategies for community education and empowerment.



[Learn More](#)

Graduating seniors and recent graduates: Tell us what impact LMSA has had on your med school experience! LMSA is conducting a [quick, 5-minute survey](#) on the impact of LMSA on student outcomes for recent medical school graduates. IRB approval for this study.

## Your support matters!

Your support helps to sustain and secure the future of NHMA and NHHF. As we look toward the future, your generous annual contributions of \$5,000, \$10,000 or more will help move this great organization toward building the NHHF/NHMA Endowment.

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