Duke REACH Equity Center 2023 Virtual Colloquium  
Friday, June 2, 2023, 9:00 am – 12:30 pm

Ending Health Disparities: Moving from Descriptions to Solutions

9:00 – 9:15  Welcome and State of the Center  
Kimberly S. Johnson, MD MHS  
Professor of Medicine, Division of Geriatrics  
Director, Duke REACH Equity Center

9:15 – 10:00  Keynote Address  
Monica Webb-Hooper  
Deputy Director, National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities  
Reaching Towards Health Equity: Research Considerations to Turn the Dial on Health Disparities

10:00 – 10:10  Q&A moderated by Kimberly S. Johnson MD MHS

10:10 – 11:10  Panel: Interventions to Reduce Disparities in Health Outcomes

Kathryn Pollak PhD, Professor in Population Health Sciences  
Communication Coaching to Improve Patient and Clinician Satisfaction in Cardiology Encounters: REACH Equity Project #2

Sarahn Wheeler MD, Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology  
Interventions to Address Racial Disparities in Pre-term Birth for Black Women

Kai Sun MD, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Division of Rheumatology  
Interventions to Reduce Racial Disparities in Medication Adherence in Patients with Lupus

Christopher Cox MD, Professor of Medicine, Pulmonary and Critical Care  
Addressing racial disparities in unmet palliative care needs among family members of critically ill patients: the ICUconnect randomized control trial

Moderator:  Tiarney Ritchwood, PhD  
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Community Health  
Co-Director, REACH Equity Research Education and Training Subcore

11:10 – 11:15  Break
Featured Debate: The Impact of Patient-Provider Racial Concordance on Inequities in Health Outcomes

Kevin Thomas MD, Professor of Medicine, Cardiology
What’s Race Got to Do With It?
Author of: Facilitating Shared Decision Making Among Black Patients at Risk for Sudden Cardiac Death: A Randomized Clinical Trial

Rachel Upton PhD, HRSA, US. Dept. of Health and Human Services (invited)
Black representation in the Primary Care Physician Workforce and Its Association with Population Life Expectance and Mortality Rates in the U.S.

Brad Greenwood PhD, Professor, School of Business, George Mason University
Physician-patient Racial Concordance and Disparities in Birthing Mortality for Newborns

Closing Remarks by REACH Equity Center Director Kimberly S. Johnson, MD MS