

4th Western Consortium

Grand Challenges for Social Work

Event Outline

March 1st, 2024 9:00 am - 5:00 pm PST

Via Zoom Webinar

Facilitated by the University of Washington-Seattle School of Social Work

9:00 am - 11:30 am

MORNING PANELS

9:00 am - 9:40 am

Welcome, Community Policy, and Discussion of the Grand Challenges and Advancing Initiatives

Speakers: **Michael S. Spencer**, Dean, Professor, *University Washington-Seattle School of Social Work, Grand Challenges Network Co-Lead for Closing the Health Gap, Eliminating Racism;*
James Herbert Williams, Director of Center for Child Well-Being, Professor, *Arizona State University, Member of Conference Planning Committee*

9:40 am - 11:30 am

Panel 1: "The Homelessness Policy Research Institute: A Collective Impact Partnership Model for Social Change"

Panelists: **Saba Mwine**, Director, *Homelessness Policy Research Institute (HPRI); Millie Brown*, Advocate/Member of the *Domestic Violence and Homeless Services Coalition through the Downtown Women's Center (DWC) Downtown L.A. Skid Row*

10:10 am - 10:40 am

Panel 2: "Mass Decarceration: Starting with Women in Mind"

Panelists: **Dr. Emily Salisbury**, Associate Professor, Director, *Utah Criminal Justice Center at the University of Utah College of Social Work;* **Dr. Felisa Bryant**, Director of Programs for the *IF Project*

10:40 am - 11:30 am

Panels 1 and 2 Q&A and Audience Activity

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

LUNCH BREAK

12:30 am - 2:00 pm

AFTERNOON PANELS

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm

Panel 3: Canoe Journey and Indigenous Youth: Indigenous

knowledge, values and relations with the land, water, salmon and people for healing, restoring and transforming

Panelists: **Myra Parker** (*Mandan-Hidatsa-Cree*), JD, MPH, PhD, Associate Professor, *University of Washington School of Medicine*; **Maya Magarati** (*Indigenous Magar from Nepal*), PhD Research Assistant Professor, *University of Washington School of Medicine*; **Stevey Seymour** (*Sn̓c̓ayč̓kstx of the Colville Confederated Tribes*), Executive Director, *Inchelium Language and Culture Association*

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Panel 4: Solving Youth Homelessness in Nevada: A collaboration between Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth and the Greenspun College of Urban Affairs

Panelists: **Arash Ghafoori**, CEO of the *Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth*; **Dr. Robert R. Ulmer**, Dean, *UNLV Greenspun College of Urban Affairs*

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Panels 3 and 4 Q&A and Audience Activity

2:00 pm - 2:20 pm

BREAK

2:20 pm - 3:10 pm

Discussion with Community Partners

Moderators: **Ilima Ho Lastimosa**, Community Coordinator, *Waimānalo Research Station*; **Michael S. Spencer**, Dean, Professor, *University Washington-Seattle School of Social Work*
Panelists: **Arash Ghafoori**, CEO of the *Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth*; **Dr. Felisa Bryant**, Director of Programs for the *IF Project*; **Stevey Seymour** (*Sn̓c̓ayč̓kstx of the Colville Confederated Tribes*), Executive Director, *Inchelium Language and Culture Association*; **Millie Brown**, Advocate/Member of the *Domestic Violence and Homeless Services Coalition* through the *Downtown Women's Center (DWC) Downtown L.A. Skid Row*

3:10 pm - 4:40 pm

Workshop Breakouts & Action Planning: Participant-Driven Dialogue

4:40 pm - 4:50 pm

Closing Remarks by Michael S. Spencer, Dean, Professor, *the University Washington-Seattle School of Social Work*, and Western Consortium Planning Committee Members

4:50 pm

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