

# Office of Minority & Multicultural Health Equity Forum



# NATIONAL MINORITY HEALTH MONTH

Active & Healthy | April 2019

# United for Health Equity: An Active Approach to Health

**Thursday, April 18, 2019, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

**Montclair State University Memorial Auditorium  
Montclair, New Jersey**

**Shereef M. Elnahal, MD, MBA**  
Commissioner, New Jersey  
Department of Health

## Keynote Speaker:

**Robert Atkins, PhD, RN, FAAN**

National Program Director of New Jersey Health Initiatives at Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Associate Professor at Rutgers University

*Building Healthier Communities in NJ: Upstream, Bottom-up and Asset-Based*

## Featured Speaker:

**Mark J. Wade, MD**

Director, Department of Health and Community Wellness,  
City of Newark

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# Program for April 18, 2019



- 8:00am: **Registration/Networking Breakfast**
- 9:00am: **Master of Ceremonies: Nashon Hornsby, JD, LLM**  
Assistant Commissioner, NJDOH, Division of Community Health
- 9:10am: **Opening Remarks: Charlene Gungil, DHS, CPM, MPH,** Director, Passaic County Department of Health
- 9:20am: **Welcoming: Dr. Amanda Birnbaum, PhD,** Chair, Department of Public Health at Montclair State University
- 9:30am: **Maternal Health DOH Perspective: Marcela Ospina Maziarz, MPA**  
Deputy Commissioner, NJDOH Health Systems
- 9:45am: **Featured Speaker: Mark J. Wade, MD**  
Director, Department of Health and Community Wellness, City of Newark  
*Save the Next! Generations of Black and Brown People Await Our Intervention*
- 10:45am: **Stress Reduction: Robert Gilbert, PhD, BA**
- 11:00am: **Keynote Speaker: Robert Atkins, PhD, RN, FAAN**  
Director and Associate Professor, New Jersey Health Initiatives, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation  
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- 12:00pm: **Lunch**
- 12:30pm: **Shereef Elnahal, MD, MBA**  
Commissioner, NJ Department of Health
- 1:00pm: **Workshops**
- **Vivian Khalil, Esq.**  
**Path to Addiction:** Current Trends in Narcotics Investigations, Especially as They Relate to Heroin
  - **Ilise Zimmerman, MPH, MS**  
**Disparities in Death:** A Focus on Women & Children
  - **Lois V. Greene, PhD, MBA, BSN**  
**The “Heart” of it:** Race, Health and the Quest for Equity
  - **Valerie L. Mielke, MSW,** Assistant Commissioner, NJDHS, Mental and Behavioral Health Disparities
- 2:30pm: **Proclamation Presentation**  
**Amanda Medina-Forrester, MA, MPH,** Executive Director, NJDOH Office of Minority & Multicultural Health
- 3:00pm: **Credits and Closing**

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Central Jersey Family Health Consortium  
Concerned Black Nurses of Newark  
Greater Newark Healthcare Coalition  
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Montclair State University  
New Jersey Center for Tourette Syndrome  
New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services  
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