Welcome to NYAM’s 176th Anniversary Discourse & Annual Meeting!

Tonight, we’re so pleased to welcome and induct our newest Fellows and Members. They are joining a network of dedicated professionals committed to supporting NYAM’s vision of a world in which everyone has the opportunity to live a healthy life.

We also welcome Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, PhD, MD, MAS, a national leader in addressing health disparities, as our 176th Anniversary Discourse speaker. Dr. Bibbins-Domingo is the 17th Editor in Chief of the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) and the JAMA Network, and we are honored to have her share her vision on advancing health equity.

NYAM’s work has always addressed the critical health and health equity issues of the day, and now our work includes addressing how changes to our climate are impacting health. The challenges we face are many, but together with our committed researchers, Fellows and Members, partners, and supporters we can meet these challenges and make a more equitable future a reality in New York and beyond.

We are deeply grateful for our Fellows and Members who support this important work through membership, financial support, and dedication to advancing equity as healthcare practitioners, researchers, academics, policymakers, and more.

Congratulations to the 2023 Fellows and Members!

Welcome to the NYAM community of champions for health equity!
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INDUCTION OF NEW FELLOWS AND MEMBERS
Barbara A. Green, PhD
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RECOGNITION OF 30-YEAR FELLOWS
Steven M. Safyer, MD
Former President and Chief Executive Officer, Montefiore Medicine

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176th Anniversary Discourse
Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, PhD, MD, MAS is the 17th Editor in Chief of the *Journal of the American Medical Association* (JAMA) and the JAMA Network. She is the Lee Goldman, MD Endowed Professor of Medicine and Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the University of California, San Francisco.

Dr. Bibbins-Domingo is a general internist, cardiovascular disease epidemiologist, and a national leader in prevention and interventions to address health disparities. She is a physician-scientist who has used observational studies, pragmatic trials, and simulation modeling to examine effective clinical, public health, and policy interventions aimed at prevention.

Dr. Bibbins-Domingo previously served as the inaugural Vice Dean for Population Health and Health Equity in the UCSF School of Medicine and the Chair of the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics at UCSF. She co-founded the UCSF Center for Vulnerable Populations at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital that generates actionable research to advance health equity and reduce health disparities in the San Francisco Bay Area, California, and nationally.

Dr. Bibbins-Domingo was a member of the US Preventive Services Task Force from 2010-2017 and led the Task Force as the vice-chair and chair from 2014-2017. She is an elected member of the American Society for Clinical Investigation, the Association of American Physicians, the National Academy of Medicine, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.
Wayne J. Riley, MD, MPH, MBA, MACP, is the 17th president of the Brooklyn-based SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University, where he also holds tenured professorships in internal medicine, health policy, and management. Dr. Riley joined the NYAM Board of Trustees in 2017 and was elected Chair in October 2020. Prior to joining SUNY Downstate in 2017, Dr. Riley served as clinical professor of medicine and adjunct professor of health policy and management at Vanderbilt University’s Owen Graduate School of Management and its School of Medicine. Before that, Dr. Riley served from 2007 to 2013 with distinction as the 10th president, chief executive officer, and professor of medicine at historic Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee. An academic and primary care general internist, Dr. Riley has more than 25 years of progressively senior executive-level management, policy, and leadership experiences in academic medicine, patient care, research administration, academic health center administration, healthcare management, health policy, biotechnology, the corporate sector, government service, advocacy, and organized medicine.
Ann Kurth, PhD, RN, CNM, MPH, FAAN, FACNM (she/hers), is a leader in health—with a passion for the planet. In January 2023 Dr. Kurth began as President of The New York Academy of Medicine (NYAM), a leading organization focused on research for health equity; she is the first epidemiologist to lead NYAM in its 176-year history. As president, Dr. Kurth supports NYAM’s mission to eliminate the barriers that prevent every individual from living a healthy life. As the former Linda Koch Lorimer Professor and Dean at Yale School of Nursing, and professor, epidemiology of microbial diseases, at Yale School of Public Health, Dr. Kurth helped shape Yale’s university-level strategies around a “planetary solutions” science priority; inclusive excellence; and campus sustainability. She co-founded the Yale Institute for Global Health, and currently co-chairs the National Academy of Medicine’s Board on Global Health, which includes a focus on climate change and health. Dr. Kurth’s research focuses on HIV/reproductive health and strengthening global health systems in the context of pandemics, climate change, and other stresses. She has published 250 peer-reviewed articles, chapters, and monographs. Dr. Kurth is an elected Fellow of the National Academy of Medicine, the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN), the American College of Nurse-Midwives (FACNM), and NYAM. She is past chair of the Consortium of Universities for Global Health, the 175-plus university member association supporting “academic institutions to improve the wellbeing of people and the planet.”
BARBARA GREEN

Barbara A. Green is Senior Vice President, Office of the President, Greater New York Hospital Association. In this capacity, she assists in the coordination and support of activities and initiatives of the Office of the President, including operations, policy/advocacy, and administration. Previously, Dr. Green served in a variety of roles at GNYHA, including Senior Vice President, GNYHA Ventures, Inc., the business arm of the Greater New York Hospital Association; Executive Director of the Greater New York Hospital Foundation, Inc.; and GNYHA’s Director of Public Affairs and Education. Prior to joining GNYHA, she served as Special Assistant to the Executive Director, Bellevue Hospital Center; Professional Staff Member of the U.S. Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee (staff of former U.S. Senator Jacob K. Javits); and Director of Educational Programs, American Group Practice Association (now called AMGA). Dr. Green currently serves as Chair, Board of Directors, Public Health Solutions, Inc.; Member, Board of Trustees, CGFNS International, Inc. and Chair, Advisory Board, CGFNS International’s Alliance for Ethical International Recruitment Practices; and Member, Board of Trustees, New York Academy of Medicine (NYAM) and Chair of the NYAM Committee on Admission and Membership. Dr. Green has served on numerous Federal and State commissions and advisory panels focusing primarily on health care workforce development; is a NYAM Fellow; and holds a Bachelor’s degree from Bradley University (Peoria, IL), a Master’s degree from American University (Washington, D.C.), and a Ph.D. from New York University (New York City).
Dr. Safyer received a Bachelor of Science degree from Cornell University and his medical degree from Albert Einstein College of Medicine. He completed his internship and residency in Social Medicine at Montefiore. He is board certified in Internal Medicine and a Professor of Medicine in the Department of Medicine and Professor of Epidemiology and Population Health in the Department of Epidemiology and Population Health.

Dr. Safyer is previous President and Chief Executive Officer of Montefiore Health System. Throughout his 37-year career at Montefiore he was a leader in advancing its position as a preeminent, innovative and equitable healthcare system. He was a strong advocate for delivering excellence to New York City’s most vulnerable patient populations. He successfully led the merger of Montefiore with Albert Einstein College of Medicine, creating one institution, Montefiore Einstein. This has resulted in superior, comprehensive specialty care, notably Centers of Excellence in heart transplant, cancer, child health, neurosciences and others. Montefiore Einstein now encompasses 11 hospitals within four counties and provides greater access to primary care, including school health clinics in all of the Bronx.

He served as Chair, founding member or board member of numerous organizations including the New York Academy of Medicine, Association of American Medical Colleges, the Greater New York Hospital Association, the Hospital Association of New York State’s Health Reform Taskforce, the Josiah Macy, Jr. Foundation, New York State Medicaid Redesign Team and many others. Early in his career as Director of Montefiore Rikers Island Health Services he successfully prevented the spread of tuberculosis in the jails, subsequently serving three terms on the New York City Board of Corrections. During President Obama’s tenure, Dr. Safyer contributed to the effort at healthcare reform: to make access to excellent, comprehensive health care available to all Americans.

A frequent lecturer on topics including the history of healthcare reform, healthcare transformation in academic medical centers, population-based medicine and public health, Dr. Safyer has authored and co-authored numerous articles covering subjects ranging from electronic medical records to prison reform. He is a long-standing advocate for underserved populations, including those affected by substance use and HIV infection.

Awards include Albert Einstein College of Medicine Lifetime Achievement Award, Jewish Labor Committee Human Rights Award, 1199 SEIU Healthcare Innovator Award, Health Leadership Award from the National Hispanic Health Foundation and Leo M. Davidoff Society Award for Outstanding Achievement in the teaching of Medical Students.
As the original bold thinkers and innovators for health in New York City, NYAM has been a leading voice for public health since 1847. Throughout its history, NYAM has uniquely championed innovative changes to the systems that perpetuate health inequities and keep all communities from achieving good health.

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In 2023, NYAM welcomed new President Ann Kurth, PhD, CNM, MPH, and under her leadership we have renewed our commitment to addressing the root causes of health inequities and working to influence systemic change for everyone to lead a healthy life.
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Gil Addo, MBA, is CEO and co-founder of RubiconMD, a digital health platform that empowers primary care clinicians with access to virtual specialty care from top medical specialists to improve patient care. Founded in 2013, RubiconMD serves primary care clinicians across 37 states. The Huffington Post named RubiconMD one of the “Five Companies Defining the Future of Healthcare,” and in 2020, AllianceBernstein ranked RubiconMD number 12 on its list of the top 25 private companies disrupting healthcare. Prior to founding RubiconMD, Gil was a consultant at Putnam Associates, a pharma strategy consultancy, where he designed payer and market access strategies for Fortune 500 clients. He previously held strategy and business development roles at Xerox, Cubist (acquired by Merck), and two early-stage healthcare ventures. Gil has been named in Forbes’ “30 Under 30” in healthcare, Crain's New York’s Business 40 Under 40, and Business Insider’s 30 under 40 in healthcare. In 2020, Crain’s New York named Gil to its list of the Most Notable in Health Care, and in 2017, he received its Heritage Healthcare Innovator of the Year award. He holds a BS in economics and biomedical engineering from Yale University and an MBA from Harvard University.
Natalia Cineas, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, serves as Senior Vice President, Chief Nurse Executive for NYC Health + Hospitals, the largest public health care system in the nation, serving more than 1.4 million New Yorkers annually in some 70 patient care locations, directing 9,600+ nurses and 970+ social workers. Dr. Cineas also serves as Co-Chair, Equity and Access Council for NYC H+H. In 2021, Dr. Cineas was named a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing. She is on the Joint Commission Technical Advisory Panel, “Reducing Health Care Disparities;” on the Advocacy Committee of the New York City American Heart Association Board; a member of the Helene Fuld College of Nursing Board; a member of the Promoting Health in Haiti Board; a member of the Policy Committee, Best Practices Committee, and Program Committee Vendor Support Team for the New York Organization of Nurse Executive Leaders; a Scientific Committee member and Keynote Speaker for the Nursing World Conference; a founding member of the National Black Nurses Association Greater NYC Chapter; a member of the New York State Action Coalition – Nurses on Boards Coalition (NYSAC-NOBC;) a board member on the Long Island University Harriet Rothkopf Heilbrunn School of Nursing Professional Nursing Advisory Board; and a member of the New York University Alumni Board. Dr. Cineas previously held nursing leadership roles at Mount Sinai St. Luke’s Hospital and Columbia University Medical Center–New York Presbyterian Hospital. She serves as adjunct faculty at Columbia University School of Nursing.
Beth Oliver, DNP, RN, FAAN, is responsible for the practice of nursing across the health system and collaborates with the senior executive team as well as chief nursing officers throughout Mount Sinai. A nationally recognized cardiovascular leader, Dr. Oliver has fostered and supported evidence-based, patient-centered care throughout her career. As Chief Nurse Executive, her top priorities are ensuring the safety and quality of care for patients, supporting and advancing the professional development of nurses, transforming the care Mount Sinai provides around the needs of its patients and communities, and partnering on its transition from volume to value. For more than 28 years, Dr. Oliver has been a transformational cardiac nurse leader at Mount Sinai, most recently serving as Senior Vice President of Cardiac Services for the health system, where she led cardiovascular service line strategy and operations while also being responsible for ensuring the delivery of quality care to Mount Sinai heart patients. Dr. Oliver received her MS from Columbia University and her DNP from Case Western Reserve University.
Marie-Laure S. Romney, MD, MBA, is Senior Vice President & Chief Operating Officer at NewYork-Presbyterian Lower Manhattan Hospital. In this role Dr. Romney manages day-to-day operations, oversees operating and capital budgets, and implements clinical strategy at NYP Lower Manhattan. Dr. Romney joined NYP in 2018, and most recently served as Vice President of Operations at NYP/Columbia, where she directed the administration of clinical departments. She also served as Vice Chair of Quality and Patient Safety at Columbia University Department of Emergency Medicine. Prior to joining Columbia, she served as Director of Quality, Continuous Improvement and Patient Safety in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Kings County Hospital Center and as Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine at SUNY Downstate Medical Center. Dr. Romney holds an undergraduate degree from Cornell University, a medical degree from Rutgers University Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, and a Master of Business Administration from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

Jannine Versi has spent her career in healthcare, tech, and government, including roles at Google, in the Obama Administration, and White House. She was on the founding team of Cityblock Health and was an early hire at Valera Health. She’s an alumna of the University of Pennsylvania and Harvard Business School, and was a Fulbright Scholar and Blavatnik Fellow at HBS.
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NYAM President Dr. Ann Kurth congratulates all our new fellows including NYAM’s own Senior Vice President for Research, Dr. Lori Frank!
Congratulations to the New York Academy of Medicine on its 176TH ANNIVERSARY and to all of the new NYAM Fellows and Members

KENNETH E. RASKE
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Congratulations Dr. Kenya Williams!
Inducted as a Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine

The National Student Nurses’ Association extends heartfelt congratulations to our very own Dr. Kenya Williams on her induction as a Fellow of the esteemed New York Academy of Medicine. This recognition is a testament to Dr. Williams’ exceptional contributions to the field of nursing and her unwavering commitment to the advancement of healthcare.

As the Executive Director for the National Student Nurses’ Association and the Foundation of the National Student Nurses Association, Dr. Williams has demonstrated exemplary leadership and dedication. Her tireless efforts in empowering and equipping nursing students across the nation have made a lasting impact on the future of healthcare.

We, the NSNA, are incredibly proud of Dr. Williams for this well-deserved honor. Her passion, knowledge, and compassionate approach to patient care have been an inspiration to all of us. This recognition only solidifies her status as a role model within the nursing community.

Join us in celebrating Dr. Williams’ accomplishment and show your support by becoming a member of the National Student Nurses’ Association. Together, let us continue to shape the future of nursing and make a difference in the lives of patients nationwide.

Additionally, we invite all aspiring nursing students to apply for scholarship opportunities offered through the NSNA. Education is the cornerstone of growth, and we firmly believe in supporting our future caregivers. Don’t miss the chance to pursue your dreams and provide exceptional healthcare to those in need.

Apply for scholarships and take the first step towards your rewarding nursing career.

Once again, our sincerest congratulations to Dr. Kenya Williams on this prestigious achievement. As a Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine, we know she will continue to make an indelible mark on the nursing profession and inspire countless others along the way.

Together, let us build a brighter future for nursing!
The Adelphi University College of Nursing and Public Health congratulates our 2023 New York Academy of Medicine Fellows: Edwin-Nikko R. Kabigting, PhD, RN, NPD-BC, and Korede Yusuf, PhD, MPH.

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