

## Society for Prevention Research, Diversity Network Committee

## **DNC Speaker Series**

Advances in Prevention Science, Diversity, and Inclusion

Celebrating National Hispanic Heritage Month

## Health Equity for Hispanic Immigrants: How Do We Rise to Meet Growing Challenges

Friday, October 3, 2025, at 2 pm – 3 pm EDT / 11 am – 12 pm PDT Join us over Zoom. Register here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/YW48XxlYSYW2TH1 fLxF7Q

## **Speakers:**



Luisa N. Borrell, DDS, PhD, MPH



Miguel Pinedo, PhD, MPH

Dr. Borrell is a Distinguished Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics in the School of Public Health at the City University of New York. She is also a social epidemiologist with a research interest in race, ethnicity, socioeconomic position, and neighborhood effects as social determinants of health. She also investigates the impact of nationality, nativity status, and race on health outcomes among the Hispanic/Latino population. Dr. Borrell has expertise in research methods and analyses of large datasets, including survey, census, and spatially linked data. In addition, she has an extensive track record of mentoring master's and doctoral students,

postdoctoral fellows, and junior faculty members. Dr. Borrell is a Fellow of the American College of Epidemiology and the New York Academy of Medicine. In addition, Dr. Borrell is currently the Editor-in-Chief of Preventive Medicine and Preventive Medicine Reports, and serves on the editorial boards of several other high-impact journals, such as the American Journal of Public Health, Annals of Epidemiology, Health and Place, and Social Science and Medicine.

Dr. Pinedo is an Associate Professor in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Education at The University of Texas at Austin. He has an invested interest in better understanding the intersection between migration and health. Though migrant health has become an important facet of health research, migration has rarely been examined as a social determinant of health. Dr. Pinedo's work addresses this critical area by focusing on how different migration experiences contribute to health disparities, particularly among Latino populations. Specifically, his work investigates how social- and structural-level factors associated with migration to the U.S.; voluntary and forced migration (e.g., deportation); domestic migration within Mexico; and migration to high-risk environments (e.g., settings with increased availability of alcohol and drugs) relate to the epidemiology of substance abuse, HIV risk, and related harms. A large proportion of his work has focused on Mexican migrants residing on both sides of the U.S.-Mexico border, a high-risk region for alcohol and drug abuse and HIV. Overall, his research underscores the importance of migration-related factors in shaping health behaviors, risk practices, and health outcomes.

The aims of the *DNC Speaker Series* are to highlight research on prevention science and public health that is led by researchers from underrepresented groups and primarily conduct research with groups that are understudied (e.g., racial/ethnic minorities, individuals who identify as a sexual minority, individuals with disabilities). The presentation series will also aim to create a forum for the guest speaker(s) to share career/professional reflections as a researcher from an underrepresented group(s) and to promote discussions of diversity and inclusion in professions related to prevention science and public health.

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