

## 2009 KHSP Meeting Plenary Abstracts

Wednesday, June 3

**1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.**

**Ticonderoga**

**Plenary Discussion on Cross-Track Research Integration  
(Multidisciplinary and Community-based Research Methods)**  
*Paula Braveman, Joe Gone, Shawn Kimmel, Meredith Minkler,  
Angie Reyes and Amy Snipes*

This session will explore the kinds of contributions that can be made by Community-Based Participatory Research and by Social Epidemiology and the other academic fields represented in the Multi-Disciplinary Track. Panelists will provide examples of key concepts, methods, and work in each field – Community and Multi-disciplinary. Participants will explore both differences in the goals, approaches, and potential tensions that can result, as well as how each can be enriched by applying perspectives, principles and/or methods from the other.

**4:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.**

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**Keynote: Improving Health Through Federal Policymaking**  
*Joshua M. Sharfstein*

During his keynote, Dr. Sharfstein will explore different ways for fellows to make a difference through participating in or influencing federal policy.

**6:15 p.m.-7:00 p.m.**

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**Policy Plenary: Opportunities for Health Equity Initiatives in the Obama Era**  
*Aranthan Jones and Brian Smedley*

This policy session will illuminate possible opportunities and challenges to health equity in the policy agenda of the new administration and Congress, as well as ways that scholars' research might contribute to this discussion. Panelists will discuss from a federal perspective current and upcoming health disparities policies, enhanced opportunities for health disparities research, and health equity and health care reform.