Wednesday, March 30, 2016 // 12:50 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Executive Dining Room, 2nd Floor, Gold Hall
UCLA Anderson School of Management

AGENDA

WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

Tim Kawahara  
Executive Director, UCLA Ziman Center for Real Estate
Doug Shoemaker  
President, Mercy Housing California

KEYNOTE

Mitchell H. Katz, M.D  
Director, Los Angeles County Health Agency

PANEL PRESENTATION

Doug Shoemaker (moderator)  
President, Mercy Housing California
Mitchell H. Katz, M.D  
Director, Los Angeles County Health Agency
Sharon Rapport  
Associate Director, California Policy, CSH
Steven P. Wallace  
Professor & Chair of the Department of Community Health Sciences  
UCLA Fielding School of Public Health

CLOSING REMARKS

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Mitchell H. Katz, M.D.
Director, Los Angeles County Health Agency

Dr. Mitch Katz is the Director of the Los Angeles County Health Agency, a newly created agency that combines the Departments of Health Services, Public Health, and Mental Health into a single entity so as to provide more integrated care and programming within Los Angeles. The Agency has a budget of 7 billion dollars, 28,000 employees, and a large number of community partners. For the past five years Dr. Katz served as the Director of the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services (DHS), the second largest public safety net system in the United States. During this time, he created the ambulatory care network and empaneled over 350,000 patients to a primary care home. He eliminated the deficit of DHS through increased revenues and decreased administrative expenses, and used the new ACA funding to pay for a modern electronic health system, Orchid, which has now been implemented in 90% of DHS clinical sites. He has moved over 1000 medically complex patients from hospitals and emergency departments into independent housing, thereby eliminating unnecessary expensive hospital care and giving the patients the dignity of their own home. Dr. Katz continues to see patients every week as an outpatient physician at Edward R. Roybal Comprehensive Health Center, and sees patients on the inpatient medicine service at LAC+USC, Harbor-UCLA, and Olive View-UCLA Medical Centers.

Before he came to Los Angeles, Dr. Katz was the Director and Health Officer of the San Francisco Department of Health for 13 years. He is well known for funding needle exchange, creating Healthy San Francisco, outlawing the sale of tobacco at pharmacies, and winning ballot measures for rebuilding Laguna Honda Hospital and San Francisco General Hospital. He is a graduate of Yale College and Harvard Medical School. He completed an internal medicine residency at UCSF Medical School and was an RWJ Clinical Scholar.

He is the Deputy Editor of JAMA Internal Medicine, an elected member of the National Academy of Sciences (previously the Institute of Medicine) and the recipient of the Los Angeles County Medical Association 2015 Healthcare Champion of the year.

Doug Shoemaker
President
Mercy Housing California

Doug Shoemaker was appointed President of Mercy Housing California in 2011. In this role, he is responsible for leading Mercy Housing’s operations in California including the oversight of affordable housing development, fundraising and resident services. He brings more than 15 years of experience in the affordable housing and community development industry to Mercy Housing California.

Prior to Mercy Housing, Shoemaker served as the Director of the Mayor’s Office of Housing (MOH), San Francisco’s housing finance and community development agency. He led various key mayoral initiatives at MOH, including the launch of HOPE SF, San Francisco’s groundbreaking effort to revitalize five distressed public housing sites into mixed income communities. Shoemaker joined MOH in February 2006 as the Deputy Director and was promoted to Director in 2008.

Prior to joining MOH, Shoemaker served as Deputy Director of the Non-Profit Housing Association of Northern California, a 500-member affordable housing trade association. From 2001 to 2006, he directed policy and advocacy work with housing finance agencies as well as the State Legislature. A highlight of this work was serving as the Northern California campaign coordinator for Proposition 46, a successful $2.1 billion affordable housing bond passed by voters in 2002. In addition, Shoemaker supervised regional advocacy work on inclusionary housing and co-authored numerous reports and articles including "Inclusionary Housing in California: 30 Years of Innovation."

Shoemaker started his career in housing as a project manager for Mission Housing Development Corporation (MHDC), a community-based housing developer in San Francisco. At MHDC from 1995-2000, he developed the first affordable housing community in the Mission Bay neighborhood of San Francisco and helped to develop numerous supportive housing developments in the Mission District and South of Market.
Sharon Rapport  
Associate Director, California Policy  
Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH)

As the Associate Director for California Policy at the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH), Sharon Rapport advances a California policy agenda across multiple issues affecting people experiencing homelessness. She has worked to facilitate state interagency collaboration on homelessness, to channel Medi-Cal resources toward more effective services for people experiencing homelessness, and to fund the creation of affordable places to live for those in extreme poverty. Ms. Rapport was instrumental in passing CSH-sponsored legislation to create a Medicaid benefit for housing-based services, Assembly Bill 361, and a ballot initiative to repurpose existing bonds to fund the creation of thousands of apartments affordable to low-income and homeless veterans, recently passed as Proposition 41. She has worked closely with State agencies and stakeholders in implementation. Ms. Rapport provided technical assistance to the Department of Health Care Services in creating a housing and services proposal for California’s 1115 Medicaid Waiver. Prior to joining CSH, Ms. Rapport worked as a Congressional Fellow for U.S. Senator Jack Reed (D-RI), focusing on housing and judiciary issues, and managed a large legal office as a Hearing Office Director for the Office of Hearings & Appeals (SSA).

Steven P. Wallace  
Professor and Chair, Dept. of Community Health Sciences  
UCLA Fielding School of Public Health

Steven P. Wallace, PhD, is professor and Chair of the Department of Community Health Sciences at the UCLA Fielding School of Public Health, Director of the NIA-funded Resource Centers for Minority Aging Research Coordinating Center, and associate director at the UCLA Center for Health Policy Research (Center). Wallace is a leading scholar in the U.S. in the area of aging in communities of color. He has published research on access to long-term care by diverse elderly groups, inequities in the consequences of health policy changes for racial/ethnic minority elderly, and the politics of aging. His interest in reaching a policy and key stakeholder audience has led him to also publish several dozen policy briefs and reports at the Center. Those briefs and his other research have received broad media coverage, including articles and stories in the New York Times, U.S. News and World Report, National Public Radio, and Fox News. He has testified at state legislative hearings and in other forums, and his research has informed state laws. Funding for his work is currently from CDC, DHHS, NIH, The Commonwealth Fund, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. He is a Fellow of the Gerontological Society of America, recipient of the APHA Aging & Public Health Section’s leadership award, and received the Birren Senior Scholar Award from the California Council on Gerontology & Geriatrics.

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