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RENÉE ROYAK-SCHALER
MEMORIAL LECTURE IN HEALTH DISPARITIES

“REMOVING OBSTACLES
TO ELIMINATING
RACIAL & ETHNIC
DISPARITIES IN
BEHAVIORAL
HEALTH CARE ”



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April 10, 2018 at 4:00pm
University of Maryland School of Medicine
Taylor Lecture Hall

FEATURED SPEAKER

MARGARITA ALEGRÍA, PHD

Margarita Alegría, Ph.D., is the Chief of the Disparities Research Unit at Massachusetts General Hospital, and a Professor in the Departments of Medicine and Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. Dr. Alegría is currently the PI of three National Institutes of Health (NIH)-funded research studies: the International Latino



Research Partnership; Building Community Capacity for Disability Prevention for Minority Elders; and Mechanisms Underlying Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Mental Disorders. She is also the co-PI of a William T. Grant Foundation project, entitled Understanding the Experience of Majority and Minority Status through Photovoice. Dr. Alegría has published over 200 papers, editorials, intervention training manuals, and several book chapters, on topics such as improvement of health care services delivery for diverse racial and ethnic populations, conceptual and methodological issues with multicultural populations, and ways to bring the community's perspective into the design and implementation of health services.

As an acknowledgement of her contributions to her field, Dr. Alegría has been widely recognized and cited. Among the many awards: the Mental Health Section Award from the American Public Health Association, 2003; the Health Disparities Innovation Award from the National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities, 2008; the Carl Taube Award from the American Public Health Association, 2008; the Simon Bolivar Award from the American Psychiatric Association, 2009; and the Award of Excellence from the National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse, 2011. In October 2011, she was elected as a member of the Institute of Medicine. In addition, Dr. Alegría was selected as El Planeta's (Massachusetts's largest circulating Spanish-language newspaper) 2013's Powermeter 100 most influential people for the Hispanic community in Massachusetts.

PROGRAM

WELCOMING REMARKS & INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Jay S. Magaziner, PhD, MSHyg

Professor and Chair

Department of Epidemiology and Public Health

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RECEPTION

Please join us for a special reception in the Bressler Building lobby
following the lecture.

PAST LECTURERS

2017 ~ Anthony Iton, MD, JD, MPH

2016 ~ Paula Braveman, MD, MPH

2015 ~ Ana Diez Roux, MD, PhD, MPH

2014 ~ David Williams, PhD, MPH

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This annual lecture is supported by a generous gift from the family of the late Renée Royak-Schaler, PhD, MEd. Devoted to cancer prevention among African Americans and to the elimination of disparities across the continuum of cancer care, Dr. Royak-Schaler also directed the University of Maryland School of Medicine Master of Public Health (MPH) Program until her sudden death in 2011. The aim of her family's gift is to bring the best scholars and policy makers in the country to the university to present their work on pressing issues in health disparities, and to bring much-needed visibility to this important topic.