



National Plan for Health Workforce Well-Being Public Launch Transcript

Closing Remarks

Victor Dzau

VICTOR DZAU: First of all, thank you for your leadership and you are such a great colleague and partner in this and I could not have done it without you. I must admit that the comments from David and Ondrea and Jessica are not only inspiring but truly moving and I was almost brought to tears. We all believe it is the right thing to do. We want to end up on a real positive note with this energy and commitment that we have going forward of a campaign so I do want to tell you how many organizations have signed up. Look at that. Over 30 organizations and many of you I could call out individuals and you can see that on the slide and you have made that commitment and voted to support us and we are proud to stand behind these plans. There is more coming to be sure. You can see there is deep support across professions and medical pharmacy associations and accrediting bodies and not to mention medical centers which are key if these were to be implemented. We are excited that these organizations are at the forefront of a commitment campaign and it will launch later this fall and we ask our groups to identify what areas they will take on and we will be working along with them everywhere we can. So where are we going next? First of all, as I said, we celebrate the release of the plan today and a very exciting day and I want to agree with Darrell that we need to be patient and understand how much and how far we have come and be energetic and committed and energized going forward. As you see, first, we have to communicate widely. I have to tell you not only as part of a great team of people here but definitely the head of communications and Sandy Phillips and the whole team working on this but every one of you are the messengers of this team and use your communication power to push through changes in your organization and your members and others to move forward. Second of course is to activate changemakers and a lot of work to do, but we need to work directly with the actors to make changes and change requires leadership. I know we have it from all of you.'s third, of course is the campaign commitment and to inspire efficacy. I ask of you to advocate for the plan. My team is working on an entire plan of communication advocacy including as you heard today engaging in many others and having leadership in the US government and all of you to make this work. Now, we think of establishing a health workers well-being day and what you think about that? Every year we will have a well-being day for health workers with an option to inspire efficacy and unite all of the professions and public behind health workers because well-being is a journey we need to travel on together. So I ask you to commit to this and really give me the support. I will show you my last slide which is to me a guiding light. This is the famous author who said knowing is not enough. We must apply. Willing is not enough. We must do. Can you join me for a round of applause for anybody in this room who was on this campaign. And an amazing team. They have worked so hard. So please stand up. And Sammy Phillips. Catherine, right back here. Great. And of course Charlie who helped us write the plan and thanks to all of you and I will turn to give you some instructions about lunch.

>> Thank you and thank you, everyone for participating in this. The most important thing is lunch and we will go for snacks and the action collaborative members will go up to the third-floor for lunch and then make sure you are back in this room at 12:45 for our next convening and this is for the members.



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For our public and guests, we encourage you to get a snack or stay here and enjoy yourselves and network and hopefully celebrate the launching of this plan. >> [Event Concluded]