



NATIONAL ACADEMY OF MEDICINE ANNUAL MEETING 2026

2026 Annual Meeting Agenda

National Academy of Sciences Building - 2101 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC

(All times Eastern)

Sunday, October 18, 2026

Virtual Sessions Only

9:00 am–10:30 am

Interest Group Meetings – Session A (Concurrent Sessions)

- 1 – Health Policy and Health Care Systems** - *Priced Out of Food, Housing, and Health Care*
- 2 – Global Health, Infectious Diseases, Microbiology** - *Forging a New Value Proposition for Global Health*
- 3 – Neuroscience, Behavior, Brain Function & Disorders** - *Uses and Misuses of AI in Mental Health: A Look Under the Hood*
- 7 – Maternal & Child Health & Human Development** - *Innovative Innovation In Maternal Mental Health Intervention To Improve Maternal-Child Outcomes*
- 10 – Biology of Aging/Geriatrics** - *Two Important Issues in Aging: Mitigating Homelessness; and Why Do We Age?*
- 12 – Nutrition, Diabetes, and Obesity** - *Precision Geroprevention*
- 17 – Primary Care** - *The Common Fund for Primary Care: Common Sense or Nonsense?*
- 20 – Firearm Injury Prevention** - *AI/Emerging Tech and Firearm Injury/Violence – Opportunities and Threats*

11:50 am–1:00 pm

Awards Presentation

Fred Kavli Auditorium
Gustav O. Lienhard Award for Advancement of Health Care
The Rhoda and Bernard Sarnat International Prize in Mental Health
David and Beatrix Hamburg Award for Advances in Biomedical Research and Clinical Medicine
NAM Member Awards
NAM Cecil Awards

2:45 pm–4:15 pm

Interest Group Meetings (Concurrent Sessions)

- 8 – Health of Populations/Health Disparities** - *Beyond the Life Course: A Multigenerational Framework for Understanding American Indian or Alaska Native (AIAN) Health Risks*

9 – Education of the Health Care & Science Workforce - *How Is Generative AI (Gen AI) Changing What It Means to Learn, Create Knowledge, and Care For Patients in A Clinical Space?*

13 – Cancer, Stem Cell Biology & Transplantation

15 - Human Rights, Professional Ethics and the Values of Medicine - *After Healthy Longevity: Creative and Controversial Proposals for Supporting Eldercare at Scale*

16 – Rehabilitation and Human Function - *Common Cardiometabolic Medications through the Lifespan: Are They Function Promoting or Demoting Therapies?*

18 - Health and Technology

Monday, October 19, 2026

7:15 am–9:00 am

General Breakfast (Tent)

9:00 am–9:30 am

Introduction of NAM Members, Fellows, Scholars and Awards Recap

Monica M. Bertagnolli, M.D., President, National Academy of Medicine

- Class of 2025 NAM Members
- Announcement of Class of 2026 Members
- 2026-2027 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellows
- 2026-2028 NAM Fellows
- 2026-2027 NAM Scholars in Diagnostic Excellence
- 2026-2027 State Health Policy Fellows
- 2026-2028 NAM-CUHK International Health Policy Fellow
- 2026-2027 Scholars in Global Women's Health Research
- 2026-2029 NAM Victor J. Dzau Emerging Leaders in Health and Medicine Scholars
- 2026 Gustav O. Lienhard Award for Advancement of Health Care
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9:30 am–10:15 am

President's Address

Monica M. Bertagnolli, M.D., President, National Academy of Medicine

Harnessing Science, Prevention, and Innovation in Chronic Disease

10:15 am–10:20 am

Opening remarks from the Program Chair

Brendan Lee, M.D., Ph.D., Robert and Janice McNair Endowed Chair; and Professor and Chairman Department of Molecular and Human Genetics, Baylor College of Medicine

- 10:20 am–10:50 am** **Keynote Address - *The Big Challenges Ahead in Health Policy, and Where Chronic Illness Fits***
Drew Altman, Ph.D., President and CEO, KFF
- 10:50 am–12:10 pm** ***Understanding Chronic Disease Development & Risk Across the Lifespan***
Moderator: *L. Ebony Boulware, M.D., M.P.H., Dean, Wake Forest University School of Medicine; Executive Vice President for Academic Health Affairs, Wake Forest University; and Chief Academic Officer, Advocate Health*
Panelists:
Luigi Ferrucci, M.D., Ph.D., Scientific Director, National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health
Bridget Goosby, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Sociology, The University of Texas at Austin
Bhramar Mukherjee, Ph.D., Senior Associate Dean of Public Health Data Science and Data Equity; and Anna M.R. Lauder Professor of Biostatistics, Yale University
Xiaobin Wang, M.D., M.P.H., Sc.D., Zanvyl Krieger Professor; and Director, Center on the Early Life Origins of Disease, Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health
- 12:10 pm–1:30 pm** **D.C. Public Health Case Challenge Poster Session - *Transformation and Innovation in Chronic Diseases in the District of Columbia***
Rotunda
- 12:10 pm–1:30 pm** **Lunch**
General Lunch
Tent
- 1:30 pm–2:50 pm** ***Advancing Chronic Disease Prevention***
Moderator: *Cheryl A. M. Anderson, Ph.D., M.P.H., Professor and Dean, University of California San Diego Herbert Wertheim School of Public Health and Human Longevity Science*
Panelists:
Beth Frates, M.D. Associate Professor in the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Harvard Medical School
Christopher Gardner, Ph.D., Rehnborg Farquhar Professor of Medicine, Stanford University
Karen Glanz, Ph.D., M.P.H., George A. Weiss University Professor, University of Pennsylvania
Martin Picard, Ph.D., Science of Health Professor of Behavioral Medicine, Columbia University
- 2:50 pm–3:10 pm** **BREAK**

3:10 pm–4:30 pm

Transforming Chronic Disease Treatment and Care

Moderator: *John O'Shea, M.D.*, Senior Investigator, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, National Institutes of Health

Panelists:

Stephen Hauser, M.D., Director, UCSF Weill Institute for Neurosciences; and Professor, Department of Neurology, University of California, San Francisco

Vivian Ho, Ph.D., James A. Baker III Institute Chair in Health Economics, and Professor, Rice University and Baylor College of Medicine

Ania M. Jastreboff, M.D., Ph.D., Harvey and Kate Cushing Professor of Medicine (Endocrinology); and Director Yale Obesity Research Center (Y-Weight), Yale School of Medicine

Tony Wyss-Coray, Ph.D., D. H. Chen Professor of Neurology and Neurological Sciences, Stanford University

4:30 pm–4:45 pm

Closing Remarks from the Program Chair

Brendan Lee, M.D., Ph.D., Robert and Janice McNair Endowed Chair; and Professor and Chairman Department of Molecular and Human Genetics, Baylor College of Medicine

4:45 pm–6:00 pm

NAM President's Forum: A Conversation Among Academy Presidents

Moderator: *Monica M. Bertagnolli, M.D.*, President, National Academy of Medicine

Panelists:

Neil H. Shubin, Ph.D., President, National Academy of Sciences

Tsu-Jae Liu, Ph.D., President, National Academy of Engineering

6:00 pm–7:00 pm

Reception and Celebration of Healthy Longevity Global Competition
Great Hall