



**MPN AFFINITY GROUP ON AGING
MARYLAND GERONTOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION
2021 Annual Summit
*Beyond the Pandemic-Models for Aging in Community***

June 16, 2021 1:00 to 4:00 PM EST

Agenda

- I. Welcome: Maggie G. Osborn, President MPN and Ted Gross, President MGA
- II. Featured Presentations

1:12 – 1:48 p.m.

A. **Dr. Gregory Wm. Branch**, MD, MBA, CPE, FACP Director and Health Officer Baltimore County Department of Health and Human Services

Presentation Title: Baltimore County's Nationally Acknowledged Emergency Response and Moving Forward

The presentation will describe the challenges/hurdles Baltimore County had to tackle to provide one of the most daunting public health service in American history.

Our team has done a phenomenal job with meeting the demands of the pandemic; from emergency food response, sheltering safely, COVID relief funding, eviction prevention to now with the vaccine rollout. Moving forward, Baltimore County will focus on the healing process and the post-pandemic outlook for older adults, their caregivers and families, and the health outlook for living in congregate settings, community support for transitioning out of Long-term nursing facilities, and government funding for community care models.

1:50 – 2:00 p.m. Q & A session Moderated by Earl Millett, Program Director Weinberg Foundation, Chair MPN Affinity Group on Aging.

2:00 – 2:40 p.m.

B. **Laura Riley**, Director Baltimore County Department of Aging

Presentation Title: Creating an Age-Friendly County

Learn about Baltimore County's newest strategies to support older adults' desires to remain in their communities. Programs like Age Friendly Baltimore County, BCause Home Improvements, Dementia-friendly Baltimore County, Public and Private organization collaborations, and more will be highlighted.

2:40 – 2:55 p.m. Q & A Session Moderated by Earl Millett

2:55 – 3:00 p.m. Quick Break!

3:00 – 3:40 p.m.

C. **Sarah Szanton**, PhD, ANP, RAAN Patricia M. Davidson Health Equity and Social Justice Endowed Professor and Director of the Center for Innovative Care in Aging at the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing

Presentation Title: CABABLE 201 (Community Aging in Place, Advancing Better Living for Elders)

This presentation will briefly describe CAPABLE, the evidence behind it, and its influence to advance health equity. Sarah will demonstrate how CAPABLE has expanded and the constraints that have prevented expansion. The presentation will spotlight the current policy landscape that focuses on challenges and opportunities for advancing programs for older adults to age in the community.

3:40 – 3:50 p.m. Q & A Session Moderated by Earl Millett

III. Appreciation and Closing Remarks – Carmel Roques, CEO

IV. CEU information