

National Amish Health Conference WORKING AGENDA
Wednesday, June 7, 2017

TIME	Session/Event Topic/"Title"	SPEAKER(S)
7:30 am – 8:00 am	Continental Breakfast for Tour attendees	
8:00am – 5:30pm	Registration open	
8:15 am – 1:00 pm	Amish and Mennonite Heritage Center Tour	<i>Optional</i>
11:45am – 1:00pm	Box lunches	
11:45am – 4:30pm	Exhibits open	
1:15pm – 1:30pm	Welcome	Melissa Thomas
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Opening Keynote	Randall Longenecker
2:30pm – 2:45pm	Break/healthy snack	
2:45pm – 3:45pm	Plenary I: A Brief History of the Amish and Plain Communities	Marcus Yoder
3:45pm – 4:30pm	Plenary II: In Our Own Words: What it Means to be "Plain"	Jacob Beachy; Cory Anderson
4:30pm – 5:30pm	Plenary III: Settlement Patterns Among the Amish	Joseph Donnermeyer
5:30pm – 6:00pm	Break	
6:00pm – 7:45pm	Dinner and Presentation: Understanding the Plain and Anabaptist Orders to Plan for Effective Health Care Delivery	Cory Anderson
7:45pm – 9:00pm	Networking/Dessert	

Thursday, June 8, 2017

TIME	Session/Event Topic/Title	SPEAKER(S)
7:00am – 7:30pm	Outdoor Hike	Margie Hiermer
8:00am – 8:45am	Healthy Breakfast	
8:00am – 5:00pm	Exhibits open	
8:00am – Noon	Registration open	
9:00am - 10:30 am	Plenary IV: Panel Discussion: Health Care Issues Facing Amish and Plain Communities	Jacob Beachy; David Kline; Cory Anderson; DJ McFadden; Janelle Zimmerman
10:30am – 10:45am	Break	
10:45am – 11:45am	Plenary V: From the Outside Looking In: Health Care Systems' Perspective in Serving Amish and Plain Communities	Tony Snyder; Joanne Eshelman
11:45am – 1:00pm	Lunch	
1:00pm – 2:15pm	Concurrent I: Abstracts	
	A. Speaking with Our Hearts: Keys to a Successful Community Health Worker Program in Amish County	Linda Nisley; Ella Miller; Doretta Thomas; Katie Miller; Melissa Thomas
	B. Genetics Survey and Needs Assessment of Anabaptists in Kentucky	Matthew Hunt; Susan Jones
	C. Evaluating the Influence of Environmental Risk Factors on Health Outcomes of Appalachian and Amish Women in Ohio Plain Farmer Dairy Herd Health Management as a Component of Sustainability	Richelle Romanchik Caroline Brock
2:15pm – 2:30pm	Break	
2:30pm – 3:45pm	Concurrent II: Abstracts	
	A. Best Practices in Buggy Safety	Suzanne Snyder; Lt. Stephanie Norman
	B. Perceptions of Vaccines among the Amish Mennonite and Plain Communities; Determining Reasons for a Lower Rate of Immunization Coverage among an Amish Population in Ohio; Immunization Delivery to Amish Communities in Montgomery County, NY	Ashleigh Slemmer Chris Kettunen; Barbara Distelrath Wanda Antos
	C. Best Practices in Delivering Breast Cancer Education to Amish and Mennonite Communities in Rural Ohio	Melissa Thomas; Austin Cech; Doretta Thomas; Becky Dangelo
4:00pm – 5:00pm	Plenary VI: Health Care Providers' Perspectives in Serving Amish and Plain Communities	Tim Law; Keith Wright
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Break	
6:00pm – 7:15pm	Dinner and Presentation: Connecting Cultures Through Photography: A Cultural Competency Project	Melissa Thomas; Margaret Hiermer; Linda Nisley; Talitha Tarro
7:15pm – 8:30pm	Photo Exhibit and Dessert	

Friday, June 9, 2017

TIME	Session/Event Topic/Title	SPEAKER(S)
7:00am – 7:30am	Outdoor Hike	Austin Cech
8:00am – 8:45am	Healthy Breakfast	Platinum Sponsor Showcase
8:00am – 11:45am	Exhibits open	
8:45am – 10:00am	Concurrent III: Abstracts	
	A. Helping the Amish and Plain Communities Access Health Information	Darlene Kaskie
	B. Comparison of BMI in Old Order Amish compared to US standards; Knowledge, Attitudes, Beliefs and Behaviors Surrounding Breast Cancer Among Amish Women: A 10-Year Review	Christine Nelson-Tuttle; Margaret Wilk Melissa Thomas
	C. Birthing Choices among Amish and Plain Women in a Pennsylvania Valley; A Biocultural Comparison of Home Birth Safety for Amish and Non-Amish Women in the US	Gretchen Schafft Lily Anderson
10:00am – 10:15am	Break	
10:15am – 11:30am	Concurrent IV: Abstracts	
	Hospice and Palliative Care: 35 Years of serving Amish and Plain Communities A. Best Practices in Creating an Amish and Plain Community Health & Safety Day	Anne Goon; Shirley Bixby
	B. Modifying Eating Disorder Treatment for Members of the Amish and Plain Communities	Barbara Gershenson
	C. Hospice and Palliative Care: 35 Years of serving Amish and Plain Communities	Christy Michaels
11:30am-11:45am	Break	
11:45am- 1:00pm	Lunch and Closing Keynote: Building Hope: Lessons Learned After 20 Years of Service to Amish and Plain Communities	Melissa Thomas
1:00 pm	Maize Thomas Reed Award	Melissa Thomas