THURSDAY, APRIL 16
1:00–5:00 P.M.
A Smart Start: A Symposium on Preventing Childhood Obesity

Black Building, 650 West 168th Street
Alumni Auditorium

PLENARY: Why Focus on Pregnancy and Early Childhood?
Andrew Rundle, DrPH, Associate Professor of Epidemiology; Co-Director of Obesity Prevention Initiative, Columbia Mailman School of Public Health

PANEL 1: Gestational Weight Change, Prenatal Factors and Childhood Obesity
moderator:
Virginia Rauh, ScD, Professor of Population and Family Health, Columbia Mailman School of Public Health
speakers:
Dympna Gallagher, EdD, Associate Professor of Nutritional Medicine, Institute of Human Nutrition, Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons
David A. Savitz, PhD, Vice President for Research, Professor of Epidemiology, Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Brown University
Cynthia Gyamfi-Bannerman, MD, Associate Professor of Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Director of Maternal-Fetal Medicine Fellowship Program, Medical Director of Perinatal High-Risk Clinic, Columbia University Medical Center

PANEL 2: Early Childhood Factors and Early Childcare Practice and Policies
moderator:
Gretchen Van Wye, PhD, MA, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Vital Statistics, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Division of Epidemiology
speakers:
Cynthia Colen, PhD, MPH, Assistant Professor of Sociology, The Ohio State University
Cathy Nonas, MS, RD, Senior Advisor, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
Sally E. Findley, PhD, Professor of Population and Family Health & Sociomedical Sciences, Columbia Mailman School of Public Health

ROUND TABLE: Future Directions for Research and Action
moderator:
Y. Claire Wang, MD, ScD, Associate Professor of Health Policy and Management and Co-Director of Obesity Prevention Initiative, Columbia Mailman School of Public Health
speakers:
Kiyah Duffey, PhD, Director of Global Scientific Affairs, LA Sutherland Group; Parenting blogger and mother of three, ages 5 and under
Tina Kauh, PhD, Program Officer, Research-Evaluation-Learning, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
Christine Johnson Curtis, MBA, Assistant Commissioner for the Bureau of Chronic Disease Prevention and Tobacco Control at the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

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