

Is The Pandemic Over?

What You Need To Know About COVID-19, The
Variants And Vaccines

**Friday, July 23, 2021 from
3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. PST**

University of California Los Angeles Center for Behavioral and Addiction Medicine

DILARA ÜSKÜP, PHD, PHD (CO-PI)

STEVE SHOPTAW, PHD (CO-PI)

NINA HARAWA, PHD, MPH

UYEN KAO, MPH

DAMILOLA JOLAYEMI, MSC

CHELSEA SHOVER, PHD

VICKIE MAYS, PHD

ENRIQUE SANCHEZ, BS

UCLA

cbam
center for behavioral &
addiction medicine

About UCLA CBAM

- Multidisciplinary center that seeks to advance the prevention and treatment of chronic illnesses
- Conducts clinical trials and behavioral studies
- Focus is on communities with health disparities
- UCLA CBAM led the COVID-19 Moderna Vaccine clinical trials
 - Vine Street Clinic

COVID-19 Vaccine Services and Resources

- Funded by the California Community Foundation
- Aims of the project are to:
 - **Facilitate** (community, public, private, and governmental partnerships to reduce COVID-19 vaccine inequity);
 - **Educate** (communities of color in South LA about the COVID-19 vaccines through virtual town halls); and
 - **Navigate** (communities of color in South LA on how to access COVID-19 vaccines)

Project Team Contact Information

- Dilara Üsküp, PhD, PhD, Co-Principal Investigator duskup@ucla.edu
- Steve Shoptaw, PhD, Co-Principal Investigator sshoptaw@ucla.edu
- Damilola Jolayemi, MSc, Project Coordinator ojolayemi@mednet.ucla.edu

Overview:

The goal of this summit is to share the latest information about COVID-19, the variants, and available vaccines for adults and children in the Los Angeles County (South Los Angeles)

Speakers:

1. Cheryl Branch, MS
2. Frances Pang, MD
3. Nonye Okonkwo, MD, MS
4. Eloisa Gonzalez, MD, MPH
5. Jesse Clark, MD

Agenda:

- 3:00 p.m.-3:10 p.m. (10 minutes) | Welcome and Opening Remarks – Dilara Üsküp, PhD, PhD
- 3:10 p.m.-4:00 p.m. (50 minutes) | Speaker's Discussions – (Director Branch, Drs. Pang, Okonkwo, Gonzalez, Clark)
- 4:00 p.m.-4:25 p.m. (25 minutes) | Question & Answer Session – Dilara Üsküp, PhD, PhD
- 4:25 p.m.-4:30 p.m. (5 minutes) | Closing Remarks – Dilara Üsküp, PhD, PhD

Discussions

01. Is the Pandemic over?
02. What is the state of COVID-19 in Los Angeles County?
03. COVID-19 variants
04. Vaccination Information for adults and children
05. Community Outreach

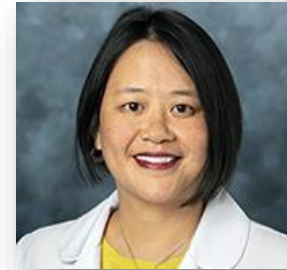


Speaker Information



**Eloisa Gonzalez,
MD, MPH**

Cardiovascular and School
Health, Los Angeles County
Department of Public Health



Frances Pang, MD

Pediatrician, Cedars-Sinai
Medical Group



**Nonye Okonkwo,
MD, MS**

Deputy, Clinical - Operations,
COVID-19 Vaccine Program
Kedren Community Health
Center



Cheryl Branch, MS

Executive Director, Los Angeles
Metropolitan Churches Managing
Partner, CRSSLA



JESSE CLARK, MD

Associate Professor, Department of
Medicine, David Geffen School of
Medicine at UCLA.



Promotional Material

• COVID-19 Vaccine Focus Group

A. **Community Focus Group (English)** – Monday, July 26, 2021 @5pm-6:30pm, PST

B. **Provider Focus Group** – Tuesday, August 24, 2021 @1pm-2:30pm, PST

• Cannabis for Pain Research Study

We are looking for African American adults to participate in a study examining cannabis use for chronic pain management.

• COVID-19 Provider Townhall – Friday, August 20, 2021 @1pm-2:30pm

This townhall is among providers, to share best practices and lessons learned around COVID-19 in an effort to improve vaccination access and equity.

• COVID-19 Community Summit (Spanish)

WANT TO HELP PROVIDE ACCESS TO COVID-19 VACCINES IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

PARTICIPATE IN A FOCUS GROUP ABOUT THE COVID-19 VACCINES

Share your views and opinions about delivering the COVID-19 vaccines to Black and Latinx communities



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Persons 18 years of age and older who are:
- Black, African American, African American, or Black Multiracial identity
- Latino, Latina or Latinx
- Community members
- Members of community based organizations
- Members of faith based communities
- Members of social organizations
- Clinical healthcare providers
- Non-Clinical healthcare providers
- Policy makers
- Staff from health agencies (private and public sector)

WHAT IS INVOLVED?

- Participation in a virtual focus group for 1.5 hours
- Participants will receive \$50 Visa card for your time & effort
- Participation is for a UCLA research study
- Participation is voluntary

CONTACT

Interested? Contact (714) 584-0508 or email Principal Investigators of the study team: Steve Shoptaw (PhD) and Dilara Uskup (PhD, PhD) at duskup@ucla.edu

INTEREST FORM

<https://bit.ly/covid-focusgroup>

This study is being conducted by the UCLA Center for Behavioral and Addiction Medicine (CBAM) IRB Approval #: 21-000339

Cannabis for Pain Research Study

If you are an African American person aged 18-60 and moderately (less than 5 times/month) or frequently (daily) use cannabis to treat your chronic pain, you may be eligible to participate in a research study.

Study for African Americans who use cannabis for chronic pain.

We are looking for African American adults to participate in a study examining cannabis use for chronic pain management. We hope to document the experiences of those using medical cannabis/marijuana as pain treatment, and analyze the effects this substance has on function and behavior.

Participants much participate in an online or phone based survey to determine eligibility, followed by an online survey, online or phone based interview, a self-administered urine test, and some psychological tests to observe behavior.

Participants will receive:

- Compensation information: \$50 Amazon gift card delivered via email.
- Cannabis urine test to take at home.

Location

- All study procedures will be done virtually and test materials will be mailed to your provided mailing address.

Are you eligible?

- African American
- Ages 18-60
- Experience non-cancer related chronic pain
- Have not experienced a traumatic brain injury
- Are not currently pregnant or breast feeding
- Use medical cannabis as pain treatment
- Have a physical mailing address
- Access to a computer with internet

If you're unsure if you meet the requirements, call or email a member of the study team:

- Dilara Uskup (PhD, PhD)
- cannabisresearchla@gmail.com

CUMBRE COMUNITARIA COVID-19

TERMINADO LA PANDEMIA?

Lo que necesita saber sobre COVID-19, las variantes y vacunas



DATE & TIME: TBD !

Únase a nosotros para conocer la información más reciente sobre Covid-19 en el condado de Los Ángeles



REGISTER HERE!

El cumbre estará transmitido en vivo
Los asistentes registrados serán elegibles para sorteo.



UCLA Health 

Closing Remarks:

Thank you ! To the speakers and attendees who made the “COVID-19 Community Summit” possible!

- We plan to conduct a qualitative survey/focus groups and will be recruiting participants. Please sign up using this form and we will contact you with more information: <https://bit.ly/covid-focusgroup>
- Please sign up for the COVID-19 Community Summit in Spanish held in August, Terminado la Pandemia? Lo Que Necesita Saber Sobre COVID-19, Las Variantes y Vacunas : <https://uclahs.zoom.us/j/92736354579>
- Please take a moment to quickly complete this brief [conference evaluation](#). The information will help us plan future programs and processes.

Contact:

- Dilara Üsküp, PhD, PhD, Co-Principal Investigator
duskup@ucla.edu
- Steve Shoptaw, PhD, Co-Principal Investigator
sshoptaw@ucla.edu
- Damilola Jolayemi, MSc, Project Coordinator
ojolayemi@mednet.ucla.edu