

## Workshop A

### **Training a New Generation of Health Professionals to be Invested in their Communities**

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**Session Description:** This session will provide attendees with useful and creative strategies that can be used to facilitate learning about social determinants of health within the health professions. We will discuss hands-on ways that students can address environmental and structural barriers to achieving healthy neighborhoods. Innovative curricular and non-curricular examples of what students are accomplishing in their communities will be shared.



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