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Welcome to the 12th annual gathering of Aspen Ideas: Health, a unique event that also celebrates the 75th anniversary of the Aspen Institute's founding.

Once again, we have come together to learn how science advances, policy evolves, communities grow stronger, and far-reaching moonshots become reality. Over the next few days, you will hear from visionaries and innovators, people determined to drive change and optimistic about what's possible, yet mindful of the deep challenges lying ahead.

If you have joined us before, you know this convening is remarkable not only for the information it imparts, but also for the bonds you will forge. Expect to leave inspired and determined to pursue better health for all.

Thank you for being here!
The Aspen Ideas: Health Team



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getting started

Thank you for joining us. From sunrise to sunset, the next few days will be packed with stimulating presentations, substantive conversations, and cultural exchanges that we hope will enlighten, entertain, and inspire you.

OUR SCHEDULE: Given the dynamic nature of our program, our schedule can change. The Aspen Ideas app and aspenideas.org/health are updated continuously with scheduling information.

THE APP: Be sure to download the Aspen Ideas app, available on iOS and Android. The app is your go-to source for the latest schedule, speaker bios, and more. Allow push notifications for immediate schedule updates.

ACCESS: Your Aspen Ideas: Health pass gives you access to all on-campus programming. Please remember to wear your Aspen Ideas: Health pass at all times. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. We suggest arriving at venues early.

NEED HELP? Concierges are stationed in each venue lobby to answer questions about scheduling, locations, the mobile app, and all things Aspen Ideas: Health. Volunteers carrying “Ask Me” signs are also located throughout campus to provide assistance.

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FOR PATIENTS
WHO NEED THEM.

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program tracks

Aspen Ideas: Health's 2025 program is designed around seven timely and thought-provoking tracks to guide our exploration of big ideas, bold innovations, and pressing challenges shaping the future of health.

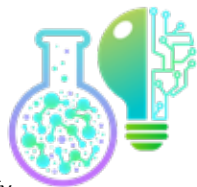


Decoding the Brain

Neurological disorders, sensory pleasures, decision making, movement, behavior, memory, dreams, and imagination—all these are seated within the human brain. As neuroscience teaches us more about the billions of neurons in that three-pound organ, we are also gaining deeper insights into the mysteries of the mind. A knowledge explosion is transforming how we approach mental health, learning and cognition, childhood development, social interactions, and diseases such as Alzheimer's.

Audacious Science

Biomedical breakthroughs are everywhere and artificial intelligence, digital health, and other technologies are driving extraordinary innovation. Think organs generated with 3D printers, enhanced diagnostics in cardiology, and digital twins that allow surgeons to identify the best repair pathways before operating. Cancer vaccines, new uses for the remarkable GLP-1 drugs, and precision editing of the microbiome are all on the horizon. Shared progress also depends on privacy safeguards and an equity emphasis.



Payoff: Investing in Health

The medical enterprise, with its vast public and private investments, should be designed to produce the healthiest population possible. Health systems, insurers, venture capitalists, providers, philanthropists, and regulators can help by dedicating resources to cutting-edge science, embracing new care delivery models, tackling workforce challenges, and promoting market competition. How do we get them on the same page to support quality healthcare for everyone?



**Working with the
community today
for a brighter,
healthier tomorrow.**



**Partnership.
That's the
Takeda Way.**





program tracks

Food for Thought

The pleasures of good food are sometimes dampened by concerns about obesity and other health risks, the impact of climate change on food systems, and confusion about what we should really put into our bodies. Chefs, farmers, nutritionists, and community activists cut through the noise, sharing insights about the future of food and its use as medicine, how to improve access to healthy options, and the right regulations to enhance safety and contribute to a sustainable global system.



Uncommon Allies

Everyone has a stake in advancing better health but intentional outreach is essential to build the creative partnerships that can make it happen. By breaking down barriers between folks who typically operate in separate siloes, use unfamiliar language, or subscribe to different belief systems, non-traditional collaborations can drive transformative change. Bridging faith and science, finding common ground across ideology and generations, linking government, business and academia, and bringing art and medicine together are all models for nurturing the power of allyship.

Pop Health

Popular culture—the information and entertainment we get from influencers, advertisers, and other content creators through apps, podcasts, games, shows, and social media—has a growing influence on our health decisions. It can be a great tool to educate people and promote healthy behavior, but it can also provide a forum for fads, rumors, and lies. How do we imbue pop culture with a respect for evidence and draw on its capacity to cultivate good habits, build social connections, and foster health for all?



Voices and Viewpoints

Respectful dialogue is often the engine of progress, especially when people with different life experiences, areas of expertise, and ways of seeing the world share a common table. In these uncertain times, visionary thinking, effective leadership, and appreciation for history are welcome qualities as problem-solvers offer ideas and insights about policy, politics, innovation, and cultural shifts that nurture new ways of thinking about health.



agenda





sunday, june 22

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM REGISTRATION

Aspen Ideas: Health Registration

Ideas Pavilion

12:00 PM - 4:00 PM PUPPY PLAYDATES

Puppy Playdates

Paepcke Lawn

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ART TOUR

"Sculpting the Environment: The Three-Dimensional Art of Herbert Bayer"

Resnick Center for Herbert Bayer Studies

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM PREVIEW SESSION

Audacious Science

Explainer: Where is Bird Flu Headed?

Demetre Daskalakis

East Lawn Tent

5:00 PM - 7:15 PM OPENING AND WELCOME RECEPTION

Aspen Ideas: Health Opening Session

Dan Porterfield

Ruth Katz

Vinny DePonto

Aspen Ideas: Health Presenters share their Big Ideas

Greenwald Pavilion

Welcome Reception (immediately following Opening Session)

Doerr-Hosier Center

7:30 PM - 8:30 PM EVENING SESSION

Voices and Viewpoints

Behind the Vote: How the ACA Became Law

Sylvia Burwell, Nancy Pelosi, Kathleen Sebelius

Moderator: Charlie Dent

*Paepcke Auditorium **



monday, june 23

7:15 AM - 8:15 AM BIRD WATCHING

Rocky Mountain Bird Watching Walk

Aspen Meadows, Walter Isaacson Center

7:30 AM - 10:00 AM MAROON BELLS NATURE WALK

Maroon Bells Exploration: Guided Walk through Aspen's Wilderness Gateway

(Buses load at 7:30 AM at the Limelight Hotel and the Aspen Meadows, Walter Isaacson Center. Boxed breakfast included.)

Maroon Bells Wilderness

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM FOREST BATHING

Forest Bathing at Hallam Lake: A Guided Walk in Nature

Melanie Choukas-Bradley

(Buses load at 7:30 AM at Aspen Meadows, Walter Isaacson Center)

Hallam Lake

7:45 AM - 8:30 AM MORNING YOGA

Yoga mats provided.

Anderson Park

8:00 AM - 10:30 AM BREAKFAST

Light breakfast provided in the Paepcke Tent and

Doerr-Hosier Center.

9:00 AM - 9:50 AM PLENARY SESSIONS

Voices and Viewpoints

Health Policy Through a Crystal Ball: Predictions from Federal and State Officials

Alex Azar, Roy Cooper, Kathleen Sebelius, Christopher Sununu

Moderator: Julie Rovner

Greenwald Pavilion

Payoff: Investing in Health

Health Philanthropy's Role in a Changing Landscape

Brooke Anderson, Richard Besser, Karen McNeil-Miller

Moderator: Bertha Coombs

Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room

Food for Thought

Making Sense of Nutrition Science

Marion Nestle

Interviewer: Helena Bottemiller Evich

East Lawn Tent

monday, june 23

10:20 AM - 11:10 AM BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Decoding the Brain

Breakthroughs in Brain Disease

Roberta Brinton, Kafui Dzirasa, Ali Rezaï

Moderator: Jon Hamilton

Greenwald Pavilion

Pop Health

Hip Hop for Health

Doug E. Fresh, Olajide Williams

Moderator: John Torres

Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room

Payoff: Investing in Health

Follow the Money, For Good

David Ansell, Alyson Niemann, Jaime Wesolowski

Moderator: John Quiñones

East Lawn Tent

Uncommon Allies

Learning from the Global South

Mohamed Aburawi, Joseph Betancourt, Peggy Clark

Moderator: Apoorva Mandavilli

Koch Building, Lauder Room

Audacious Science

Matters of the Heart

Martha Gulati, Herman Taylor

Moderator: Elizabeth Cohen

Madeleine K. Albright Pavilion

10:20 AM - 11:10 AM SOUND HEALING

Sound Healing *(limited to 20 people)*

Sophia Tullio

Buckminster Fuller Dome





monday, june 23

11:40 AM - 12:30 PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Voices And Viewpoints

Affordable Care Act at 15: Legacy, Lessons, and the Road Ahead

Lanhee Chen, Nancy-Ann DeParle

Moderator: Julie Rovner

Greenwald Pavilion

Pop Health

Influencers: The New Health Messengers?

Courtney Gray Haupt, Steve Rathje, Nina Vasan

Moderator: Jon LaPook

Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room

Food For Thought

Climate on the Menu

Steve Magami, Kelly Whitaker

Moderator: Helena Bottemiller Evich

East Lawn Tent

Audacious Science

Imagine a World Without Disease

Daniel Skovronsky

Interviewer: Alice Park

Koch Building, Lauder Room

Payoff: Investing In Health

Can We Cure Medical Debt?

Maanasa Kona, Naquetta Ricks, Jared Walker

Moderator: Alan Weil

Madeleine K. Albright Pavilion

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Paepcke Lawn

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1:10 PM - 1:25 PM MEDITATION

Guided Meditation

Jayne Gottlieb

Buckminster Fuller Dome

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM ART TOUR

Aspen Meadows Campus Art Tour

Meet outside Doerr-Hosier Center



monday, june 23

1:40 PM - 2:30 PM

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Uncommon Allies

Finding Common Ground on Firearm Safety

Bill Frist, Megan Ranney

Moderator: Céline Gounder

Greenwald Pavilion

Audacious Science

New Frontiers in Cancer

Rodney Gillespie , Alexander Marson, AmirAli Talasaz 

Moderator: Elizabeth Cohen

Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room

Pop Health

Unpacking the Wellness Industry



Amy Larocca


Interviewer: Bertha Coombs

East Lawn Tent

Payoff: Investing in Health

The XX Factor: Health Innovation with Her in Mind

Kaitlin Christine, Jaimie Clark , Paula Greaves 

Moderator: Hank Capps 

Koch Building, Lauder Room

Decoding the Brain

What Fuels a Good Life?

Shigehiro Oishi

Interviewer: Allison Aubrey

Madeleine K. Albright Pavilion







monday, june 23

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM

BREAKOUT SESSION

Payoff: Investing in Health

Strengthening the Caregiving Economy

Allison Applebaum , Sarah Jones, John Kao , Ai-jen Poo

Moderator: Margot Sanger-Katz

Greenwald Pavilion

Uncommon Allies

Beyond Traditional Therapy: Alternative Paths to Well-Being

Vanessa Garcia-Brito, CJ Goulding, Alyson Niemann

Moderator: Rick Luftglass

Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room

Voices and Viewpoints

In Conversation: Two Leaders on the Frontlines of Health Equity

Richard Besser, Uché Blackstock

East Lawn Tent

Audacious Science

GLP-1s: A Shared Responsibility for Safety, Access and Innovation

Angela Fitch, Negelle Morris , Tracy Zvenyach

Moderator: Emily Mullin

Koch Building, Lauder Room

Pop Health

"Yes, and...": Improvising for Better Health

Becca Barish, Catharine Savage

Madeleine K. Albright Pavilion

3:55 PM - 4:10 PM

MEDITATION

Guided Meditation

Jayne Gottlieb

Buckminster Fuller Dome





monday, june 23

4:20 PM - 5:10 PM

PLENARY SESSIONS

Voices and Viewpoints

Global Health at a Turning Point

Deborah Birx, Atul Gawande

Moderator: Apoorva Mandavilli

Greenwald Pavilion

Decoding the Brain

Anxious Girls, Lonely Boys

Lisa Damour, Christopher Pepper, Sema Sgaier

Moderator: Jacqueline Howard

Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room

Food for Thought

Food is Medicine

John Lumpkin, Hilary Seligman, Wendy Slusser

Moderator: Corby Kummer

East Lawn Tent

5:15 PM - 7:00 PM

EVENINGS AT ASPEN IDEAS: HEALTH

Enjoy live music and dinner from local food trucks, along with a selection of wine, cocktails, and mocktails.

Meet the Authors and Book Signings (5:15 pm - 5:45 pm)

Allison Applebaum

Uché Blackstock

Amy Larocca

Shigehiro Oishi

*Marble Garden Tent **

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

EVENING SESSION

Audacious Science

Is There Anything GLP-1s Can't Do?

Martha Gulati, Diana Thiara, Nora Volkow

Moderator: Alice Park

*Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room **



tuesday, june 24

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and Doerr-Hosier Center.

9:00 AM - 9:50 AM PLENARY SESSIONS

Payoff: Investing in Health

Gaining Momentum in Women's Health

Shyam Bishen, Caitlin Donovan, Regina Dugan

Moderator: Katie Drasser

Greenwald Pavilion

Pop Health

True or False: Deciphering Health Information

Garth Graham, Stefanie Ilgenfritz, Poppy MacDonald

Moderator: Jacqueline Howard

Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room

Audacious Science

Apple Powers Up Health Innovation

Sumbul Desai

Interviewer: Alice Park

East Lawn Tent




tuesday, june 24

10:20 AM - 11:10 AM BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Voices and Viewpoints

Public Health Reimagined

Richard Besser, Joseph Betancourt , Damōn Chaplin,
Megan Ranney
Moderator: Céline Gounder
Greenwald Pavilion






Payoff: Investing in Health

CMS Leadership Talks Medicare and Medicaid

Stephanie Carlton
Moderator: Elizabeth Cohen
Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room

Audacious Science

Living Better, Longer: The New Science of Healthspan

Zahi Fayad , Brian Kopell , Sarah Millar , Sanjai Sinha 
Moderator: Brendan Carr 
East Lawn Tent

Audacious Science

Building a Digital Doppelgänger

Caroline Chung, David Hoganson, Kristin Myers
Moderator: John Torres
Koch Building, Lauder Room

Uncommon Allies

Empathy Boot Camp: Art and Medicine Team Up

Jennifer Adams, Ellen Tepfer
Madeleine K. Albright Pavilion

10:20 AM - 11:10 AM SOUND HEALING

Sound Healing *(limited to 20 people)*

Sophia Tullio
Buckminster Fuller Dome





tuesday, june 24

11:40 AM - 12:30 PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Payoff: Investing in Health

Harnessing Next-Generation Health Data

Megan Ranney, Sema Sgaier, Karen Wong

Moderator: Margot Sanger-Katz

Greenwald Pavilion

Decoding the Brain

Brain-Boosting Power of Exercise

Wendy Suzuki

Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room

Audacious Science

The Future of Vaccine Science

Vinod Balachandran, Buddy Creech, Frances Lund

Moderator: John Torres

East Lawn Tent

Voices and Viewpoints

Driving Lower Health Care Costs through Litigation

Brennan Bilberry, James Gelfand, Katie Keith

Moderator: Alexandra Spratt

Koch Building, Lauder Room

Food for Thought

Chew on This: The Delicious Science of Food and Mood

Dan Han, Rachel Herz, Uma Naidoo

Moderator: Allison Aubrey

Madeleine K. Albright Pavilion

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Guided Meditation

Jayne Gottlieb

Buckminster Fuller Dome




tuesday, june 24

1:40 PM - 2:30 PM

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Uncommon Allies

Universities as Engines of Health Innovation and National Prosperity

Alex Azar, Maurie McInnis , Brett Zbar

Moderator: David Leonhardt

Greenwald Pavilion

Payoff: Investing in Health

Rethinking Aging

Kenneth Davis , Myechia Minter-Jordan , David Rehkopf

Moderator: Allison Aubrey

Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room

Voices and Viewpoints

Sophie Grégoire Trudeau: A Personal Wellness Journey

Sophie Grégoire Trudeau

Interviewer: Kate Bowler

East Lawn Tent

Audacious Science

Explainer: Unlocking the Science of Pain

Nora Volkow

Koch Building, Lauder Room

Decoding the Brain

Partnering the Brain and Computer

Edward Chang, Jennifer Collinger, Nita Farahany

Moderator: Jon Hamilton

Madeleine K. Albright Pavilion






tuesday, june 24

3:00 PM - 3:50 PM

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Audacious Science

Ensuring the Promises of Bold Science

Mae Jemison, Seema Kumar, Mohit Manrao 

Moderator: Jonathan Wosen

Greenwald Pavilion

Food for Thought

Foodscapes: A Visual Journey of the World's Food Systems

George Steinmetz

Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room

Uncommon Allies

Swipe Right: Dating Apps as Public Health Tools

Jen Hecht, Mohan Sundararaj

Moderator: Céline Gounder


East Lawn Tent

Payoff: Investing in Health

From Church to Clinic: Community-Focused Care

Takes Center Stage

Willie Bodrick, Sema Sgaier, Kristina St. Cyr, David Waters

Moderator: Andrew Kaplan 

Koch Building, Lauder Room

Pop Health

Muscle Matters

Bonnie Tsui

Interviewer: Elizabeth Cohen

Madeleine K. Albright Pavilion

3:55 PM - 4:10 PM

MEDITATION

Guided Meditation

Jayne Gottlieb

Buckminster Fuller Dome

4:20 PM - 5:10 PM

PLENARY SESSIONS

Voices and Viewpoints

In Conversation with NIH Director Jay Bhattacharya

Jay Bhattacharya

Interviewer: Stefanie Ilgenfritz

Greenwald Pavilion

Payoff: Investing in Health

Venture Capital's Bold Bets

Nancy Brown, Jessica Owens, Jason Robart

Moderator: Erin Brodwin

Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room





Pop Health

Health Goes Hollywood

Zoanne Clack, Lisa Damour, Marty Kaplan

Moderator: Jon LaPook

East Lawn Tent

 Underwriter Presenter | * Public Event |  Morning Session |  Afternoon Session |  Evening Session



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Uma Naidoo

George Steinmetz

Bonnie Tsui

*Marble Garden Tent **

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

EVENING SESSION

Audacious Science

Artificial Intelligence Revolution

Karen DeSalvo, Nita Farahany, Micky Tripathi

Moderator: Erin Brodwin

*Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room **





wednesday, june 25

7:45 AM - 8:30 AM MORNING YOGA

Yoga mats provided.

Anderson Park

8:00 AM - 10:30 AM BREAKFAST

Light breakfast provided in the Paepcke Tent and

Doerr-Hosier Center.

9:00 AM - 9:50 AM PLENARY SESSIONS

Voices and Viewpoints

When Health Care Goes to Court

Melissa Murray, Kannon Shanmugam

Moderator: Kimberly Atkins Stohr

Doerr-Hosier Center, McNulty Room

Voices and Viewpoints

The Case for Compassion

Lonnie Ali, Julianne Holt-Lunstad, Sara Konrath

Moderator: Frederick Riley

East Lawn Tent

10:15 AM - 12:00 PM CLOSING SESSION

Closing remarks

Ruth Katz

Deepak Chopra in conversation with Walter Isaacson on connecting artificial intelligence and human consciousness.

Mae Jemison, Sirish Subash and Dasia Taylor on empowering the next generation of medical innovation and exploration.

Kate Bowler, Sarah Jones, George Steinmetz and Wendy Suzuki on igniting the creative spirit.

Performance by spoken-word poet IN-Q

Greenwald Pavilion

*Leading a revolution
in oncology to redefine
cancer care.*



An aerial photograph of a mountain resort. In the background, a large mountain with green slopes and some snow patches rises under a clear blue sky. The middle ground is filled with a dense forest of green trees. In the foreground, several buildings with white and grey roofs are visible, surrounded by more trees. Overlaid on the image are several overlapping, semi-transparent geometric shapes in various colors: lime green, purple, blue, and teal. The word "presenters" is written in a white, serif font across the center of the image, partially obscured by the colorful shapes.

presenters



We're Broadening the Definition of Health Care

Health depends on more than just a doctor's visit. It begins by addressing the root causes of systemic inequities to ensure lifelong well-being. It is a journey fueled by fresh food, clean air, good friends, strong families, personal faith, quality education, self-pride, fulfilling work, and equal opportunities. When we understand the foundation of health, we change lives and transform how we **care**.

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presenters

Mohamed Aburawi, Founder and CEO, Atarona Ventures

Jennifer Adams, Frankfort Family Director, Center for Empathy in Medicine, NYU Grossman School of Medicine

Lonnie Ali, Co-Founder, Muhammad Ali Center

Brooke Anderson, President, Pivotal Ventures

David Ansell, Senior Vice President, Community Health Equity, Rush University Medical Center

Allison Applebaum, Director, Steven S. Elbaum Family Center for Caregiving, Mount Sinai Health System [U](#)

Kimberly Atkins Stohr, Senior Opinion Writer and Columnist, The Boston Globe

Allison Aubrey, Correspondent, NPR News

Alex Azar, 24th Secretary, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Vinod Balachandran, Founding Director, The Olayan Center for Cancer Vaccines, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Becca Barish, Facilitator, Second City Works

Richard Besser, President and CEO, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Joseph Betancourt, President, The Commonwealth Fund [U](#)

Jay Bhattacharya, Director, National Institutes of Health

Brennan Bilberry, Partner, Fairmark Partners

Deborah Birx, Senior Fellow, George W. Bush Presidential Center

Shyam Bishen, Head, Centre for Health and Healthcare, World Economic Forum

Uché Blackstock, Founder and Chief Advisor, Advancing Health Equity; Author, "Legacy"

Willie Bodrick, Senior Pastor, Twelfth Baptist Church; President and CEO, The American City Coalition

Helena Bottemiller Evich, Founder and Editor-in-Chief, Food Fix



presenters


Kate Bowler, Podcast Host, “Everything Happens”; Associate Professor of American Religious History, Duke University

Roberta Brinton, Director, Center for Innovation in Brain Science, University of Arizona


Erin Brodwin, Health Tech Reporter, Axios

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Stephanie Carlton, Deputy Administrator and Chief of Staff, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Brendan Carr, CEO, Mount Sinai Health System 

Edward Chang, Chair of Neurological Surgery, University of California, San Francisco

Damōn Chaplin, Commissioner, Minneapolis Health Department

Lanhee Chen, Co-Chair, Health Care Policy Working Group, Hoover Institution


Deepak Chopra, Founder, DeepakChopra.ai; Author, “Digital Dharma”

Melanie Choukas-Bradley, Nature and Forest Therapy Guide

Kaitlin Christine, CEO and Founder, Gabbi

Caroline Chung, Vice President, Chief Data and Analytics Officer, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

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Jaimie Clark, Head of Innovation and Venture Strategy, Catalyst by Wellstar 

Peggy Clark, Interim Executive Director, Aspen Global Innovators Group, Aspen Institute

 Underwriter Presenter

Elizabeth Cohen, Medical Journalist

Jennifer Collinger, Professor, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation,
University of Pittsburgh

Bertha Coombs, Senior Health Care Reporter, CNBC

Roy Cooper, Former Governor, State of North Carolina (D)

Buddy Creech, Director, Vanderbilt Vaccine Research Program,
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Lisa Damour, Psychologist; Author, “The Emotional Lives of Teenagers”

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Karen DeSalvo, Chief Health Officer, Google


Caitlin Donovan, Partner, General Catalyst

Katie Drasser, CEO, RockHealth.org

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Neurobiology and Neurosurgery, Duke University

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Zahi Fayad, The Lucy G. Moses Professor in Medical Imaging and
Bioengineering; Director, Bioengineering and Director Imaging
Institute, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai 

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Doug E. Fresh, Hip Hop Artist; Co-Founder, Hip Hop Public Health

Bill Frist, Former United States Senate Majority Leader (R-TN);
Founding Partner, Frist Cressey Ventures

Vanessa Garcia-Brito, Vice President and Chief Impact Officer, Nike

Atul Gawande, Distinguished Professor in Residence, Ariadne Labs;
Former Assistant Administrator for Global Health, U.S. Agency for
International Development

James Gelfand, President and CEO, The ERISA Industry Committee
(ERIC)

Rodney Gillespie, U.S. Therapeutic Area Head, Oncology, Novartis
Pharmaceuticals 

Jayne Gottlieb, Meditation and Yoga Teacher; Energy Artist, Aspen Shakti

CJ Goulding, Executive Director, Boyz N The Wood

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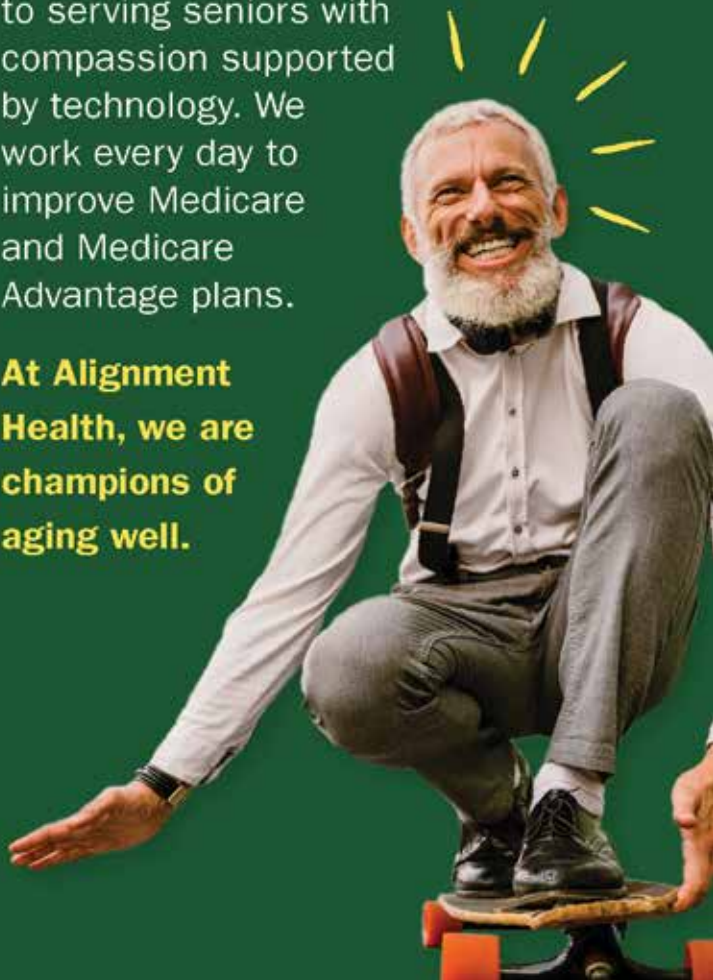


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general info



Have Questions? Need Answers?

There are several information stations around campus to address any questions you may have—about transportation, evening activities, special exhibits and events, mobile app support, and more. Visit these FAQ hubs at the Ideas Pavilion, Paepcke Building Lobby, and Doerr-Hosier Center Lobby, or find one of our expert volunteers carrying an “Ask Me” sign. We’re all here to help!

Courtesies

Cell Phones and Late Arrivals

As a courtesy to our speakers and guests, please remember to silence your mobile phones during all Aspen Ideas: Health sessions. If you are joining a session after it has started, please enter the venue quietly as not to distract speakers and other guests. Please see a staff member or volunteer if you need assistance finding a seat.

Pedestrian-Friendly Campus

Many visitors take walking paths around campus. Please do not ride your bicycle or WE-cycle on these paths; several bike racks are available on campus.

Hearing Assistance

A limited number of hearing assistance headsets are available at the concierge desk in the Ideas Pavilion. Technicians can assist with connections in each venue.



Food on Campus

From organized sessions to more casual opportunities to dine and interact with speakers and attendees, there are a variety of options to choose from.

Breakfast is served in the Paepcke Tent and Doerr-Hosier Center lobby.

Lunch is served in the Paepcke Tent, Marble Garden Tent, and Doerr-Hosier Center lobby.

The following **Quick Bites** options are available when you might not have time for a long lunch:

- **Let's Be Frank** carts serving all-natural hot dogs at the Marble Garden Tent and the Ideas Pavilion during lunch.
- **Gert's Grub Food Truck** serving tacos and quesadillas during lunch at the Ideas Pavilion.
- **Topper's Food Truck** serving daily specials at the Marble Garden Tent.
- **Snacks** are served daily in the Paepcke Tent and the Doerr-Hosier Center lobby.
- **Stay hydrated** and fill up at water coolers located around campus.

Evenings at Aspen Ideas: Health

Join us in the Marble Garden Tent each night (June 23 and 24) to connect, unwind, and be inspired with fellow attendees.

5:15 PM – 7 PM

- Grab a delicious, casual dinner from a selection of local food trucks.
- Mingle with speakers at "Meet the Author" book signings.
- Enjoy live music.

7 PM – 8 PM

Attend an engaging evening session in the Doerr-Hosier Center.

8 PM

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When: Daily, 9 AM – 5 PM

Where: Ideas Pavilion

Services: UPS Shipping Available. Major Credit Cards Accepted.

Book Signings: June 23 and 24 at 5:15 PM, Marble Garden Tent

Zero Waste

The Aspen Ideas: Health Green Team has established zero-waste practices throughout our campus for almost 10 years. This initiative works ahead of, during, and after the event with participants, vendors and staff to support the diversion of waste through recycling and composting, every year saving thousands of pounds of greenhouse gas emissions. During the event, our green team helps participants navigate and learn zero waste practices through hands-on education surrounding compostable products and recycling.

Safety & Security

The Aspen Institute places the safety and security of people as our first priority. As part of our approach to ensuring the wellbeing of our event attendees, we have a no-weapons policy for our locations. This is irrespective of whether an individual has a concealed weapons permit, or whether the state permits the carriage of weapons. The only exception to this rule are off-duty police officers who carry weapons as part of their role as officers of the law. We ask you not to bring weapons to Aspen Institute office locations and properties or when attending Aspen Institute events, and if you do, that these are left secured and out of sight in the trunk of your vehicle.

Photography and Recordings

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WHERE: Paepcke Tent

WHEN: June 22: 10 AM – 5 PM
June 23: 8 AM – 5 PM
June 24: 8 AM – 2 PM



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Ventures**

Mount Sinai Health Experience

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WHERE: The Grove

WHEN: June 22: 2 PM – 5:15 PM
June 23: 8:45 AM – 5:15 PM
June 24: 8:45 AM – 5:15 PM
June 25: 8:45 AM – 12:30 PM



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WHERE: Doerr-Hosier Center, Murdock Lounge

WHEN: June 22: 3:30 PM – 7 PM
June 23: 7:30 AM – 7 PM
June 24: 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM





getting around



Transportation

Convenient Aspen Ideas: Health shuttles link the Aspen Institute campus to various hotels in Aspen. Parking on and near campus is extremely limited (see Aspen Map page 58-59 for Rio Grande parking garage location), so we encourage the use of the Aspen Ideas: Health shuttles, WE-cycle bikes, or walking. The Aspen Institute campus is a pleasant 25-minute, one-mile walk from downtown Aspen. Biking takes less than half that time!

Aspen Ideas: Health Shuttle

Shuttles operate June 22-25 as outlined in the schedule on page 58 and will make continuous loops between campus and downtown hotels. The estimated wait time for shuttles is one to 15 minutes.

On Campus: AstraZeneca Golf Carts

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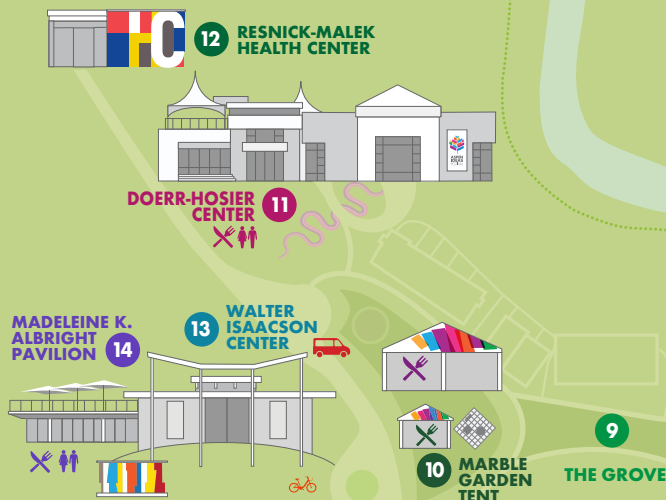
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- 2 **PAEPCKE MEMORIAL BUILDING** Auditorium, Gallery, Library, “Feed the Planet” Photo Exhibit
- 3 **PAEPCKE TENT** Arnold Ventures Lounge
- 4 **EAST LAWN TENT**
- 5 **MAYER COURTYARD**
- 6 **KOCH BUILDING** Lauder, Booz Allen Hamilton, The Zen Den
- 7 **GREENWALD PAVILION**
- 8 **BUCKMINSTER FULLER DOME**
- 9 **THE GROVE** Mount Sinai Health Experience
- 10 **MARBLE GARDEN TENT**
- 11 **DOERR-HOSIER CENTER** Takeda Power Up: Charging Lounge (Murdock Lounge), McNulty, Kaufman, Catto, Resnick Gallery, Bass Terrace
- 12 **RESNICK-MALEK HEALTH CENTER**
- 13 **WALTER ISAACSON CENTER** West End Social Restaurant & Lounge
- 14 **MADELEINE K. ALBRIGHT PAVILION** Meadows Café, Bren and Mel Simon Terrace
- 15 **KLEIN MUSIC TENT**
- 16 **RESNICK CENTER FOR HERBERT BAYER STUDIES**



Shuttle Stop



WE-cycle Station



Food



Restrooms

WALKING TIME

Doerr-Hosier Center **11** to
Paepcke Memorial Building **2**
takes 6-8 minutes.



campus map

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HIKING TRAIL

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IDEAS

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PAVILION** 7

**BUCKMINSTER
FULLER DOME** 8

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COURTYARD** 5

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PAEPCKE TENT 3

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BUILDING** 2

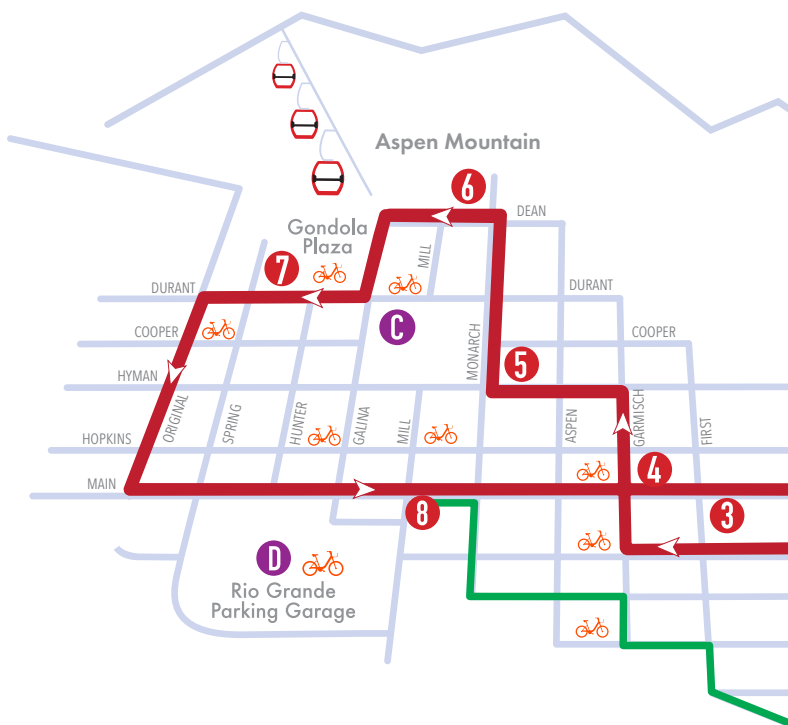
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IDEAS HEALTH SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

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MONDAY, JUNE 23: Continuous Service: 7 AM – 9 PM

TUESDAY, JUNE 24: Continuous Service: 7 AM – 9 PM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25: Continuous Service: 7 AM – 1 PM



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Running on a continuous loop to the Aspen Institute campus. Shuttle stops are indicated in red.

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On June 27, 1949, several thousand participants from across the world converged on an almost abandoned silver mining town in the Colorado mountains. The Goethe Bicentennial Convocation featured lectures by distinguished intellectuals and public figures, a rich music program, and informal conversations beneath an expansive summer sky. Why Aspen? Why Goethe?

Chicago businessman Walter Paepcke, and his wife Elizabeth, had a cultural vision: a post-World War II gathering place for thinkers, leaders, scientists, artists, musicians, and the general public to reassess the intellectual and moral foundations of our society. Together, with University of Chicago President Robert Maynard



Saarienen Music Tent, 1949 (Aspen Historical Society)

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Hutchins, they saw in Aspen the potential to create “a place where the human spirit could flourish.”

The Convocation’s keynote address was delivered by Albert Schweitzer, the Alsatian polymath doctor, scholar, and musician who went on to win the Nobel Peace Prize in 1953. Other lectures were given by Spanish philosopher José Ortega y Gasset, Austrian-Israeli philosopher Martin Buber, and the Indian philosopher T.M.P. Mahadevan, among many others. Elizabeth Paepcke, Clare Boothe Luce, and Elisabeth Mann Borgese held prominent roles in panel discussions. Dimitri Mitropoulos and Arthur Rubinstein headlined a distinguished musical program.



Clockwise from top left: Albert Schweitzer at the Goethe Bicentennial, 1949 (Aspen Historical Society, Hofmann Collection); Welcome Sign for the Goethe Bicentennial, 1949 (Aspen Historical Society, Hofmann Collection); Aspen Institute Seminar Meeting, 1960 (Aspen Historical Society); Yoga at the Health Center, 1966 (Aspen Historical Society, Aspen Illustrated News Collection)

The organizing committee hoped that Goethe's humanistic spirit might inform a rebirth of thought and action in the wake of two world wars, a great depression, technology's dehumanization of society, the threat of Soviet totalitarianism, and the destructive realities of the atomic bomb. "The difficulty we face is a difficulty of the human spirit.... We try here to undeceive and fortify ourselves," the program concluded. "We turn here to Goethe and search him, the better to turn to and search ourselves." This pursuit of dialogue to search ourselves in the quest for a better society was infectious. In December 1949, the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies was born.

For the first twenty years, the Institute's primary activity comprised seminars for exploring the fundamental values and texts of human civilization. Permanent facilities in Aspen, designed by Bauhaus artist Herbert Bayer, provided a simple but elegant campus for convenings. From the late 1960s, new programs began to explore more specialized policy issues, followed soon in the 1970s by greater emphasis on international (especially Transatlantic) relations. The mid-1990s saw the addition of fellowship programs rooted in seminars, and in 2005 the Ideas Festival launched larger, more public programs of thought, arts, culture, and action.

While the Institute's outlook has always been international, the creation of Aspen-Berlin (now Aspen Germany) in 1974 initiated

Aspen International Partners as a significant organizational addition to the Aspen Idea outside of the United States. Today, the 13 International Partners (and the nascent Aspen Initiative Africa)—all independently founded, funded, and governed—conduct their own programming as part of a genuinely global network whose intellectual and social exchange is enhanced by more than two dozen fellowship programs across more than 50 countries.

“Aspen is a place,” Paepcke later wrote, “for leaders to lift their sights above the possessions which possess them. To confront their own nature as human beings, to regain control over their own humanity by becoming more self-aware, more self-correcting, and hence more self-fulfilling.”

For 75 years, the Aspen Institute has built upon these foundations as an act of faith in the possibilities of the human spirit. These foundations have become more global and more inclusive—more aware of the different modes of knowledge and experience and their value for our common life. Seventy-five years later, we continue to host programs designed to undeceive and fortify ourselves as we imagine our work for the next 75 years.

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Groundbreaking ceremony on
Aspen Institute campus, 1955
(Aspen Historical Society,
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The Aspen Institute is a global nonprofit organization committed to realizing a free, just, and equitable society. Founded in 1949, the Institute drives change through dialogue, leadership, and action to help solve the most important challenges facing the United States and the world. We bring together thoughtful people with diverse backgrounds and points of view. We cultivate and support values-based, purpose-driven leaders in many communities. We turn ideas into action and impact for individuals and society.

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As the Aspen Institute pursues its mission of promoting a free, just, and equitable society, our founding vision continues to animate us. Seven decades ago, the Institute's founders were inspired by the unique challenges of their day: the Holocaust, a World War, and the enormous geopolitical uncertainty of the Cold War. Even as the challenges have changed, the essential elements of the founders' vision have remained sharply relevant and provide the undergirding for the Principles of the Aspen Institute, available by scanning the QR code.



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