

AGENDA | THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2026

9:00 AM — **Opening Remarks and Special Guests**
Luis Belén, CEO, NHIT
Rocio Diaz, MBA, Healthcare Market Director – Florida and Puerto Rico, Genentech
Jerry L. Demings, Mayor of Orange County (via video)
U.S. Congressman Darren Soto

9:30 AM — **Panel 1: Beyond Reproductive Health: Women's Health and Treatment Access**
Moderator: Laudi Campo, Florida State Director, Hispanic Federation
Panelists:
Sabari Radhakrishnan, MD, Vice President of Women's Health & Executive Vice President of Medical Strategy, Tampa Family Health Centers
Rocio Diaz, MBA, Healthcare Market Director – Florida and Puerto Rico, Genentech
Kenyatta Neal, MHS, BSW, Assistant Manager, Care Coordination and Social Work for Outpatient (Ambulatory) Oncology, Orlando Health Cancer Institute

10:25 AM — **Coffee Break**

10:30 AM — **Panel 2: Closing the Last Mile: From Available Resources to Actual Access**
Moderator: Jicel Espinosa-Williams, MSN, RN, President, National Association of Hispanic Nurses (NAHN), Central Florida Chapter
Panelists:
Antonio Machargo, Regional Director, Florida Blue Centers, Florida Blue
Kionna Pitts, DNP, MSN, APRN, WHNP-BC, Senior Administrator, Women's Health, Tampa Family Health Centers (TFHC)
Abraham Polanco, Executive Director of CIO Services, Health Choice Network
Troy A. Williams, Chief Information Officer, Evara Health

11:25 AM — **Coffee Break & Transition to Breakouts**

11:30 AM — **Interactive Action Labs**
Lab 1 · Patient Awareness & Trusted Communication
Lab 2 · Navigation & Treatment Persistence
Lab 3 · Policy, Technology & Accountability

12:25 PM — **Read-Outs from Action Labs**

12:40 PM — **Closing Remarks: Central Florida Commitments and the Road to Washington**
Luis Belén, CEO, NHIT

1:00 PM — **Adjourn**

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SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

OPENING REMARKS & SPECIAL GUESTS



LUIS BELÉN

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER – NATIONAL HEALTH IT COLLABORATIVE FOR THE UNDERSERVED (NHIT®)

Luis Belén is a nationally recognized leader in health policy, digital innovation, and equitable healthcare transformation, with a strong focus on improving outcomes in rural and underrepresented communities. As CEO of NHIT®, he collaborates with the White House, Capitol Hill, and strategic partners to advance AI-powered healthcare solutions and mentor the next generation of health leaders.

He leads the NHIT Data Fusion Center® in collaboration with AWS, leveraging AI and cloud technology to translate social determinants of health (SDOH) data into actionable insights for patients, providers, researchers, and policymakers.

Belén is a tireless advocate for digital fairness and innovation, and a visionary behind the NHIT INSPIRED AI Academy. A recognized leader in digital health, he co-founded HIMSS Latino. An alumnus of A Better Chance and New York University, Belén has been honored with the 2024 NYU Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Award and the 2025 HIMSS Policy Influencer Award.



CONGRESSMAN DARREN SOTO

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE – FLORIDA'S 9TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Darren Soto, a Democrat from Kissimmee, has represented Florida's 9th Congressional District since 2017. He is the first person of Puerto Rican descent elected to Congress from Florida. He sits on the House Energy and Commerce Committee and works on clean energy, healthcare access, and hurricane relief. He wrote the bipartisan Hurricane Red Tape Relief Act.

He served in the Florida House of Representatives from 2007 to 2012 and in the Florida Senate from 2012 to 2016. Before that, he practiced commercial and civil rights law in Central Florida. In Congress, he has helped bring federal money to the region, including $233 million for Orlando International Airport upgrades and funding for I-4, SunRail, and Brightline.

He was born in Ringwood, New Jersey, in 1978. He earned a bachelor's degree in economics from Rutgers University and a law degree from George Washington University Law School. He is married to Amanda Soto.



JERRY L. DEMINGS

MAYOR — ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Jerry L. Demings is the fifth elected Mayor of Orange County, Florida. He was sworn in on December 4, 2018, reelected in 2022, and is the first African American to hold the office. As the county's chief executive, he oversees more than 8,000 employees and a $7 billion budget. His administration has focused on five pillars: public safety, affordable housing, economic development, transportation, and caring for the community.

Demings grew up in Orlando and graduated from Jones High School. He joined the Orlando Police Department in 1981 and in 1998 became the city's first African American police chief. In 2008 he was elected Orange County's first African American sheriff, and voters reelected him in 2012 and 2016. He also served as Orange County's Director of Public Safety from 2002 to 2008.

He has a bachelor's degree in finance from Florida State University and an MBA from Orlando College. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and studied at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. He is married to former Congresswoman Val Demings, and they have three sons and five grandchildren.

PANEL 1 · BEYOND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH: WOMEN'S HEALTH AND TREATMENT ACCESS



MODERATOR

LAUDI CAMPO

FLORIDA STATE DIRECTOR, HISPANIC FEDERATION

Laudi Campo has been promoted to the role of Florida State Director. Having previously served as the Deputy Director in the Florida State Office since 2019, Laudi succeeds Yanidsi Velez. Laudi has played a prominent leadership role in HF's Florida operations and is a recognized community service and civic engagement leader. Originally from Morovis, Puerto Rico, she has successfully served as the Communications Specialist for the Puerto Rico Senate, as the Public Relations Director of the City of Vega Alta in Puerto Rico, and as an aide to the Orlando District 2 Commissioner. Laudi holds a Bachelor of Arts in Arts and Communications with a minor in Public Relations from the University of Puerto Rico.



ROCIO DIAZ, MBA

HEALTHCARE MARKET DIRECTOR – FLORIDA AND PUERTO RICO, GENENTECH

Rocio Diaz, MBA, is a seasoned Commercial Transformation Leader with over 19 years of progressive leadership experience in the biotechnology and healthcare industry. She currently serves at Genentech, where she leads healthcare market strategy across Florida and Puerto Rico, overseeing cross-functional teams focused on payer, health system, and provider engagement. Throughout her career, she has built a strong reputation for driving strategic growth, improving patient access, and leading high-impact commercial initiatives in complex healthcare environments.

Her expertise spans payer and PBM strategy, integrated health system account management, market access, and product launch excellence. Rocio has consistently delivered multi-million-dollar revenue growth by navigating intricate reimbursement landscapes and developing innovative access solutions across oncology and specialty care portfolios. She is recognized for her ability to translate data-driven insights into actionable commercial strategies that enhance product adoption and improve outcomes across diverse healthcare stakeholders.

Beyond her corporate leadership, Rocio is an active board member and community advocate, committed to advancing healthcare equity and Latino leadership representation. She contributes her expertise through board service, professional healthcare organizations, and leadership development initiatives, including her involvement with the American College of Healthcare Executives. A Columbia Business School executive education alumna and University of Michigan MBA graduate, she is also a dedicated mentor who champions collaboration, inclusion, and the development of future healthcare leaders.



SABARI RADHAKRISHNAN, MD

VICE PRESIDENT OF WOMEN'S HEALTH & EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF MEDICAL STRATEGY – TAMPA FAMILY HEALTH CENTERS

Dr. Sabari Radhakrishnan graduated cum laude from the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, PA, received her medical degree from UMDNJ – Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in Piscataway, NJ, and completed her Obstetrics and Gynecology residency at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai in New York, NY.

She worked as an Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Albert Einstein College of Medicine, where she was Medical Director of the Division of Family Planning at Jacobi Medical Center, Bronx, NY. After relocating to Florida, she worked as an Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Morsani College of Medicine, University of South Florida.

Dr. Radhakrishnan currently serves as Vice President of Women's Health Services at Tampa Family Health Centers (TFHC), one of the largest Federally Qualified Health Centers in Florida. She is also Clinical Assistant Professor at Orlando College of Osteopathic Medicine and Associate Professor of Clinical Education in the Physician Assistant Medicine Program at The University of Tampa.



KENYATTA NEAL, MHS, BSW

ASSISTANT MANAGER, CARE COORDINATION AND SOCIAL WORK FOR OUTPATIENT (AMBULATORY) ONCOLOGY – ORLANDO HEALTH CANCER INSTITUTE

Kenyatta Neal holds a Bachelor's degree in Social Work and a Master of Science in Human and Social Services, with more than 25 years of dedicated experience in the field. Throughout her career, she has remained deeply committed to improving the lives of individuals, families, and communities through compassionate service, advocacy, and leadership.

She serves as Assistant Manager for an Oncology-Ambulatory Care Coordination Team at Orlando Health Cancer Institute, where she plays a key role in enhancing patient outcomes, streamlining care processes, and supporting multidisciplinary collaboration. Her work reflects a strong commitment to quality care, equity, and patient-centered solutions.

Her passion for community engagement, social change, and empowerment extends beyond her professional role. She enjoys mentoring young people, encouraging them to pursue their goals, prioritize their well-being, and recognize their own potential. Whether in healthcare or the community, she believes that access, equity, and human connection can transform lives, and she uses her experience and voice to advocate for those who may otherwise go unheard.

PANEL 2 · CLOSING THE LAST MILE: FROM AVAILABLE RESOURCES TO ACTUAL ACCESS



MODERATOR

JICEL ESPINOSA-WILLIAMS, MSN, RN

PRESIDENT – NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HISPANIC NURSES (NAHN), CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER

With 20 years of professional nursing experience, Jicel is a dedicated nurse educator, leader, advocate, and champion for Hispanic nursing representation and health equity. As president of the National Association of Hispanic Nurses (NAHN), Central Florida chapter, and a nurse professional development practitioner, she is committed to empowering nurses through education, mentorship, leadership development, and meaningful community engagement. Her work focuses on strengthening professional partnerships, expanding access to health education, and supporting underserved populations, particularly within Hispanic communities. She earned her Master of Science in Nursing Education from the University of Phoenix.

Her contributions extend beyond clinical practice and professional learning into nursing literature and advocacy. She is a contributing author of Latinas in Nursing: Stories of Determination, Inspiration and Trust, Volume 2, serves on the board of Latinas in Nursing, and is a member of the Advocacy Council for Medtronic Renal Denervation. Her published work in AAACN Viewpoint magazine also reflects her commitment to advancing patient education, including diabetes education and health awareness. Through her leadership at NAHN Central Florida, Jicel continues to create opportunities for professional growth, strengthen community connections, and inspire the next generation of Hispanic nurses.



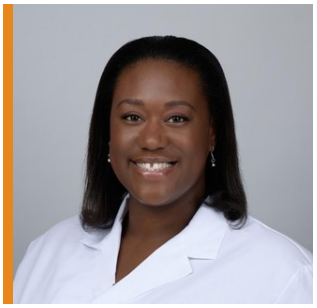
ANTONIO MACHARGO

REGIONAL DIRECTOR – FLORIDA BLUE CENTERS, FLORIDA BLUE

Antonio Machargo is a healthcare operations and member engagement leader with Florida Blue in Central Florida. He has led the company's flagship retail center in Winter Park. Before that, he was Assistant Manager at Florida Blue and held sales and member engagement leadership roles at GuideWell Connect, an affiliated company, starting in 2019.

He brings more than a decade of health plan experience, including several years as an Operations Manager at Healthfirst. There he managed Medicare enrollment and billing compliance and helped the plan reach a 4-star Medicare rating two years in a row. He has also represented Florida Blue to Central Florida's Hispanic community, including through a partnership with Telemundo.

A native of Puerto Rico, he holds a Master of Arts in Labor and Industrial Relations from Inter American University of Puerto Rico.



KIONNA PITTS, DNP, MSN, APRN, WHNP-BC

SENIOR ADMINISTRATOR, WOMEN'S HEALTH – TAMPA FAMILY HEALTH CENTERS (TFHC)

Kionna Pitts is a Doctor of Nursing Practice-prepared, board-certified Women's Health Nurse Practitioner and healthcare leader serving as Senior Administrator of Women's Health Affairs at Tampa Family Health Centers, a federally qualified health center. With more than a decade of experience in nursing, maternal and child health, and community-based care, Dr. Pitts is dedicated to improving access to patient-centered healthcare and strengthening the systems that connect patients to essential services.

Throughout her career, Dr. Pitts has worked at the intersection of clinical care, care coordination, and community partnerships. Her experience has reinforced the importance of moving beyond the availability of resources to ensuring patients can successfully navigate and access the support they need. She brings a systems-level perspective to addressing barriers to care, strengthening collaboration among healthcare providers and community organizations, and improving maternal and infant health outcomes.

Dr. Pitts earned her Doctor of Nursing Practice and Master of Science in Nursing from the University of South Alabama and her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the University of South Florida. Her professional work is grounded in a commitment to reducing maternal health barriers, advancing health, and building more effective connections between healthcare systems, community resources, and the patients they serve.



ABRAHAM POLANCO

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CIO SERVICES – HEALTH CHOICE NETWORK

Abraham Polanco is the Executive Director of CIO Services with over 20 years of experience in Information Technology, including two decades dedicated to healthcare and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs). He holds a Bachelor's degree in Public Health and an Executive MBA, both from the University of South Florida, as well as graduate certificates in Project Management and Executive Leadership from Cornell University.

Known for his ability to lead transformative IT initiatives, Abraham has a proven track record of implementing complex technology solutions that streamline operations, enhance the patient experience, reduce costs, and drive organizational success. His leadership in strategic IT service management (ITSM), particularly through ITIL-based frameworks, has helped multiple organizations achieve efficient, user-centered systems, always on time and under budget.

A frequent speaker at FQHC conferences and training events, Abraham brings a powerful blend of healthcare insight, operational expertise, and vision-driven leadership.



TROY A. WILLIAMS

CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER – EVARA HEALTH

Troy Williams believes technology should make healthcare feel more human, not less. As Chief Information Officer for Evara Health, he is passionate about using innovation to remove barriers, simplify care, and give clinicians more time to focus on what matters most: their patients.

With more than 20 years of experience leading healthcare technology initiatives, Troy has helped organizations modernize the systems that power patient care while keeping people at the center of every decision. Before joining Evara Health, he led enterprise technology initiatives for Memorial Hermann Health System and served as Chief Technology Officer for the City of Houston's Health & Human Services Department, where he advanced public health technology while maintaining the highest standards for security and privacy.

At Evara Health, Troy leads the organization's information technology strategy, partnering closely with clinical and operational teams to ensure technology is an asset rather than an obstacle. From strengthening cybersecurity and modernizing infrastructure to exploring emerging technologies and artificial intelligence, he is constantly looking for ways to reduce administrative burden, improve the patient experience, and help care teams spend more time building meaningful relationships with the people they serve.

Troy earned his Bachelor of Business Administration in Strategic Management from the University of North Texas and holds the Certified Healthcare Chief Information Officer (CHCIO) credential. Whether he's talking about the latest advances in technology or mentoring a teammate, Troy is driven by the same belief: innovation is most powerful when it helps people live healthier lives.