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I'm Ned Calonge. I'm President  
and CEO of the Colorado Trust.

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Thank you for joining us today.

This is our first health equity learning series

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event for the 2016 - 2017 season. And we're  
really pleased with those of you who've turned out.

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You know in 1990 the share of Colorado's  
population that were immigrants was 4.3%

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and when we last looked in 2013

it had risen to nearly 10%.

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We're home now to more than  
half a million immigrants

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which is about the same population  
as the entire state of Wyoming

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and would fill many  
of our major cities in the US.

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How immigrants are integrated into  
communities in Colorado and in other settings

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and how they can do that in a safe, healthy  
and equitable manner is at the heart of today's session.

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In addition to the presentation and the discussion,  
there written materials at your places

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that can help you continue the conversation  
as you leave today to your other organizations.

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We're also going to send  
each of you an evaluation via email.

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We hope you'll take the time to fill it out.

We listen to you, we respond to you

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both the topics and the speakers that we consider  
for the health equity learning series

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come from our audience  
as well as our grantees.

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The materials will be posted on  
our website after the presentation.

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Our presenter slide deck will be there  
and in about a of couple weeks

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a complete video of the presentation  
will also be available for viewing.

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I need to acknowledge that even though  
we have lots of people in the room

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there are lots of other folks. These are  
our 2016 - 2017 HELS grantees.

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They're scattered across the state and the difference  
in this year is that after today's presentation

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and when the video is available, these grantees  
will have events where they view

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and look at the presentation followed by  
professionally facilitated discussions

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about what they've heard today and how  
to make it come alive in their communities.

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So we're looking forward to really  
continuing this work throughout Colorado.

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Now I want to introduce our speaker today.

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Deliana Garcia or "Del" is Director of the  
International Projects Research and Development

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at the Migrant Clinicians Network in Austin, Texas.

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Del has dedicated more than

25 years of her life and career

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to the health and wellness needs of migrant

and other underserved populations.

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She's responsible for the development

and expansion of Health Network

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an international bridge case management

and patient navigation system

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to make available

across international borders

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the health records of migrants diagnosed

with infections and chronic diseases.

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She's performed research

and written on topics such as

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sexual and intimate partner violence prevention

among Latino migrant and immigrant families

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trauma in transit for migrants

crossing international borders

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and emotionally charged dialogues

between patients and healthcare providers.

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I hope you'll all join me in welcoming Del

to our stage and to Colorado.

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So I can recall the days when I would be able to do this

without my reading glasses, but those are long gone now.

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So please forgive me if I stop every now

and again to pull my glasses up

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to make sure that I haven't  
missed a point on my notes.

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When I was invited to come, and I'm so thrilled  
and so grateful for the opportunity to be with you

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and I was trying to think about what was  
the critical issue that I wanted to raise with you

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it was that I feel like we find  
ourselves needing to identify

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that point in that sphere of health equity  
where we want to be doing our work.

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Because it's just such an enormous idea  
to just wrap your head around.

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And so what I want to speak to is the  
intersection of poverty, migration, and health.

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Because when you think about migration,  
it is huge the world over.

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But it can happen for people who are doing so  
under wonderful economic circumstances

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and where their healthcare is really seen to  
by their employer or by nationalized medicine, whatever.

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So what I really want to do is focus  
down then on those populations

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who migrate for purposes of employment  
where there's poverty that is really pushing them

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and keeping them from being  
able to access what they need

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and then the effect of that migration on health.

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But when I reflect, and I really need to  
upgrade my bio because it's been 30 years.

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I was trying to think about what best  
exemplified my own work and where I saw myself

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and while I was sitting there reviewing  
my slides, this passage came to mind:

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"Would you tell me please,  
which way to go from here?"

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"That depends a good deal on where  
you want to get to," said the Cat.

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"I don't much care where," said Alice.  
"So long as I get somewhere."

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"Oh, you're sure to do that," said the Cat.  
"If you only walk long enough."

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And I think what's really true for so many of us,  
and I have a dear friend who uses this expression,

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"We've been laboring in the vineyards of peace  
for so long, that very often we realize

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that we walk back around and see our footsteps  
again someplace where we've been before."

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And so I think it's always very important  
for us to position ourselves

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to cite where we're going and to see that point  
on the horizon that we're trying to get to.

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So for me right now then it is to really talk about  
the impact of migration on health.

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And as I was preparing  
for this presentation

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and I was really trying to review  
the most current literature on health equity

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everywhere I read began  
with the quotation about,

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"Health equity is the highest  
level of health for all people."

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And I thought well really, how lofty, how wonderful,  
and in so many ways how amorphous.



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How do we determine that  
we've gotten there?

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And the more I read, the more  
that I could see in people's language

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that they were conflating  
equality with equity.

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And equality is treating everyone the same.  
So we have performance measures

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that everybody needs to meet.

And goals for entry into care.

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And measures for their diabetes that we  
want to make sure everybody achieves.

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And so we look at how people should be dealt with  
and we want to make sure that it is happening for everyone.

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But when we talk about equity it's really looking  
at what the individual needs to be successful.

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And very often that's different,  
one person from another.

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So one of the definitions of health equity that I came upon as I was reviewing everything was this:

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"Absence of avoidable or remediable differences."

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And the more I pondered it, while there are truly very few things that are unavoidable

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perhaps nature, a flood, whatever those things may not be avoidable.

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There really isn't any reason that our recovery from that is irremediable.

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There wasn't anything that  
I could think of at that moment

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where we really could not have come to a way  
of remediating the effects of what had occurred.

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And so when I think  
about health equity then,

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I was trying to look at all of the  
elements that come into play.

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And when we think about what affects health  
and we look at things like employment,

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which is one of the pieces that I focus on  
because it is for employment

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that so many of the people with whom I work  
leave their home and move on to the next place.

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But then I think about racism  
and I think about how difficult it is

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for us to truly have a conversation  
about race, the effects of racism,

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and the long term effect in this  
country on poverty that is based

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on the racism that  
has existed for decades.

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And that that same effect then can be seen in  
education, both in terms of access and quality.

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And that it is individual decisions that get  
made about whether or not my child

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should have the education

that they merit and that they need

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versus what I see is going to be  
important for my entire community.

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And I had the good fortune of being at dinner  
with members of the Trust board last night

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and some of the staff and some of the grantees,  
and this has raised a particularly important issue for me.

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I have a son who is now 27  
and he has Asperger's.

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and I was so firmly committed to public education  
that I absolutely required that he attend public school

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from kindergarten all the way up to high school,  
through his senior year in high school.

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And on evaluation  
I have moments, quietly at night

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when I believe that I sacrificed  
my son on the altar of public education.

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Because when I look at what he needed  
and what might have better served him



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Would he have thrived more  
in a private setting?

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and I don't truly know that. And so I do have  
moments of extreme quiet where I wonder

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if I would redo the same thing.  
And yet, if asked about education

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my commitment to public education, to the demand of the  
citizenry to support education for all children is still true.

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And so it is at this point that I really understand  
what is a challenge for so many people

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when they try and look at it in the global or the universal  
or the large-scale versus the individual and the personal.

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And I think we see some  
of those same things in healthcare.

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When we say, "Don't you believe people  
should have access to quality healthcare?"

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In general people will say, "Absolutely." And when you say  
that it might have some effect on your particular access

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I think some people stop and they stumble  
and they're unable to embrace it completely.

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And we see it now in  
issues of public safety

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and in terms of, do we see the police force  
as an ally? Or do we see them as a challenge.

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And the experience that so many  
communities are having now

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to try and figure out what the relationship

is going to be around issues of public safety.

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And then food access. And food access is one of the pieces that I think is such an enormous challenge

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both urban and rural. It isn't just, is there the grocery store, but do they have what you need?

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Is it affordable? What does it take to get there and get back?

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An advancement of ideas like community action for agriculture

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and everything that has the ability to affect  
food access is really fairly enormous.

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And one of the pieces that I like to review regularly  
because he is such a wonderful speaker

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and he makes me think so differently about  
food access is the Ted Talk done by Ron Finley.

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He's the guerilla gardener.

Yes, the guerilla gardener from LA.

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And he went out and he evaluated how much  
public land there was in LA that was unused

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and tried to talk about the amount  
of gardening that could be done

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on these public lands and the food  
that would then be available.

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He started by using the easements  
in front of his house and his front yard

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and areas in his neighborhood  
that were between lanes

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and he planted food that he  
made available to everybody

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and then the city of Los Angeles  
decided that they would ticket him

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because he was using the land for purposes  
that were not subscribed to by the city of Los Angeles.

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It was only through public outcry and Lopez,  
I can't remember what his first name is

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who is the writer for the LA Times,  
that they were finally able to turn the corner on that.

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And so you have people  
who create wonderful solutions

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it really doesn't require  
an enormous dollar investment

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they can bring people in to learn,  
to give them access. And then there are

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political challenges and legal challenges that  
can get raised that don't make any difference

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that then draw away time and attention that could be devoted elsewhere to try and fight that good fight.

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And so I really commend to you Ron Finley. I just think he's a wonderful speaker and a wonderful community advocate.

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And so when we think about equity then

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in looking at the unequal distribution to and access to these resources.

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And where I stop and I have to think about my own work

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is in the second piece of this, which is failure to avoid  
or overcome the inequalities that infringe on fairness.

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And that, once again, puts the onus  
on the individual who is challenged

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by those barriers,  
by those inequalities.

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As if somehow they had the opportunity  
to supersede these barriers and were electing not to.

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So I looked at this more as my inability to help

someone avoid or overcome those infringements.

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And I see that as my challenge going forward.

That where I see an infringement

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do I have the ability to

aid someone as an ally

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so that they no longer have to look at

trying to get past that infringement to fairness.

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And the unfortunate reality is this is where

most of us get stuck in our arguments.

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If we work with small not-for-profit organizations  
or if we work in state government, if we work anywhere.

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How many of you have been engaged  
in a conversation of we need to do more with less?

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Or we need to make sure  
we get the biggest bang for our buck.

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Or we need to understand that this is three years  
and in three years, the whole project is going to go away

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so everyone who started needs to think about the fact  
that they're likely going to lose their job in three years

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but for the next three years they're going to  
give it a go, hit the gas and do incredible work.

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And what does that require for someone mentally  
to understand that this is the quadrant

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in which most of the decisions are being made  
around their work and their action.

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I always wonder how people  
are able to move forward

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and I have an example from my youth.

I grew up in El Paso, Texas.

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There's a convent there and I was sent to school there  
by my mother for reasons that we won't go into now

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but it was a really beautiful place  
and I received a wonderful education.

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And when it was built  
at the turn of the last century,

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the woman who was the head  
of the convent was named Mother Praxities.

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And she wanted to have a convent,  
a chapel, a theater, and a full school.

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And they kept trying to say,  
"Mother Praxities, there isn't enough money."

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And her response then was,  
"God will provide."

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And so they built the school  
and they built the convent

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and then they ran out of money  
and so she built half of the chapel.

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And said, "Well the city hasn't  
provided us with what we need."

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And the embarrassment to the community was such  
that the money was immediately raised.

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And then Mother Praxities  
was able to say, "God provided."

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How we choose to raise what we need  
and take the action that we do



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at times may be uncomfortable and certainly  
make people feel that they've been

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highlighted and marginalized  
and narrowed for their position

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but very often it does take a willingness  
to step forward in the spotlight

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in a way that makes  
a lot of people uncomfortable.

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And so that's the case. Is that  
in rare instances, can we go it alone?

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That it really does require that we look to  
our allies, that we look to our partners

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to really be successful  
in what we're doing.

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But it also means that we need  
to be clear about our own work

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because very often we're moving so hard and so fast  
and we're so grateful for any recognition

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or we're so grateful for any kind of funding  
and we really feel like we're on the road

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and then suddenly we get to that block  
where we have a funder who says

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"I absolutely want to support what you're doing  
but I'd like for you to double the numbers of people

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that you're going to reach and I need for you  
to split the money with these six other groups."

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And then you have to stop.

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And so I think many people  
have had that experience

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I think of a wonderful group that  
I work with out of Oakland

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where they've been looking at incarceration and kids  
and they wanted, 10 years ago, to be thought leaders.

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And they really push the work and they really got  
into community and they did some great stuff.

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And then they started to receive recognition  
and then they started to receive funding

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and then they were being invited  
to all of those conversations

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where they had not been invited before  
to be able to set the agenda.

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And then when they got there  
they realized that the money was tied

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to working with individuals and organizations  
that did not share their commitment to community

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that didn't hold the same vision  
and that felt a good outcome was

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a series of meetings  
to discuss our issues.

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And that left them stopped and having to come back in  
and reconsider how they wanted to work organizationally.

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So I think that that's one of the pieces is that we need  
to understand what our position is going to be

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We have to come back

and reevaluate it.

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We really do need to look across the horizon  
to individuals that are going to be allies.

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It needs to be okay to say,  
"This is not someone with whom I can ally."

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because we do not share the same decisions  
of how we want to move forward in community.

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It doesn't mean that we need to tear one another down,  
but it doesn't mean that we need to tie ourselves

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into an ungraceful three-legged race  
with a group that really does not support our work,

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merely because we feel like somehow we lose potency  
for our position when we say, "No, thank you."

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I would encourage you all to look at a group  
out of Florida. It's the Immokalee's workers

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and they're the individuals that pushed  
for the penny-a-pound extra for tomatoes.

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They held out against farmers in Florida  
and they were able eventually



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to successfully rally  
for an extra penny a pound.

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And what that really meant for the pay of the farmworkers  
that they represented was really enormous.

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But what the Immokalee workers have decided  
is that they will not take any money

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from a foundation or an organization.  
They don't take it from the federal government

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because they feel that they are an organization of the workers  
and the workers need to decide the work to be done.

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And that if they take money then it comes  
with a requirement that you see through

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to the end whatever the donor  
would like for you to do.

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And I think that's a really interesting challenge  
because they've been incredibly successful in Florida

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without the kind of support that we often believe is essential.  
So I would recommend that you give them a look.

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And I think the other piece  
that's also really critical

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when we look at the areas that we engage in  
because they somehow advance equity

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like law reform or economic capacity  
or social relationships.

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When we are really steeped  
in trying to look at those reforms

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or trying to push the advancement

of someone's economic capacity

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or develop those strong relationships,  
that what can also happen

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is that we get seduced by that work. And then  
the law reform really becomes position power.

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And economic capacity really becomes  
the wealth of the organization

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or the organizations with whom we've worked.  
And their ability to stay the course

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to be true to the mission gets challenged,  
because who wants to have their funding threatened?

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And then when you start to  
have connections with individuals

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it is no longer that you have  
this wonderful frame for allies

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but that then you have prestige.  
And how do you turn loose of that prestige?

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And so each element can have  
two sides to that same coin

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and it's very difficult not to be drawn,

and this is my expression, to the dark side

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when you're really trying to advance

all of your good work.

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And so, because I'm not

above dropping names

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I want to say that my good fortune

has included working with folks like Paul Farmer.

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And I was really fortunate to meet the people  
at Partners In Health, including Paul

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and Jim Kim, who is now  
the president of the World Bank,

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and Ophelia Dahl, who were the founders  
at a time when they were really trying

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to get Partners In Health  
moving forward.

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And their phrase in those early days  
was "preferential options the poor."

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that everything you did had  
to be based in the clear knowledge

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that when you were  
deciding what action to take

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the choice you made had to  
make a preference for the poor.

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And that was really quite remarkable because  
we have many organizations that speak beautifully

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about caring for the poor, but what is your



decision-making process? And that was wonderful to watch.

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And so I had the opportunity  
to visit Haiti with them

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and at one point Paul was speaking to a woman  
who was receiving treatment for TB disease

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and he asked her, what I think is the universally  
important question that we ask patients,

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"What do you think caused your illness?"

And her response to him was, "The evil eye."

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And so he stopped and asked her,  
"Well if you believe it was the evil eye,

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then why do you take your  
medication so consistently?"

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And she just looked at him  
and she patted him on the arm

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and she said, "Oh young man,  
you don't understand complexity."

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And that's really the issue, is that what people  
are faced with is enormously complex.

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And so really why don't  
we talk about complexity?

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What is it that causes us to shy away  
from the conversations about complexity

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that could take us  
so far down the line.

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And I'll offer you an example of something that you  
might recognize if you're engaged in healthcare.

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We can say we have a young man, he comes to a clinic  
or he's been brought into care through the outreach

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because we're all trying to get out  
into community and bring people into care

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and we realize that he would be eligible to services  
because we can classify him as homeless.

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And so he comes in, he hasn't accessed  
care in the US. Great, this is a new user!

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Another great category  
for health care very often.

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And he has arrived from Honduras,  
although he says he came from Mexico.

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So we're not quite sure the migration story  
because immigration holds a lot

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not an enormous amount actually, but a lot more  
perhaps acceptance for someone fleeing Honduras

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than someone who comes from Mexico.  
And so we see migrants making all sorts of choices

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to decide declaring

where they're coming from.

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And the presumption we make  
is he is an economic migrant.

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He's come to improve his  
lot in life, to work differently.

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But this needed to be modified  
and I had modified it in my slides.

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His concern is that  
he might have HIV.

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But when you look at someone and you make  
the presumption that they're coming for economic reasons

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the place that you might not get to  
is that really he is a sexual migrant.

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And he has engaged in some experiences in his own country  
where then he's left with questions about whether or not

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he has put himself at risk and this  
might actually be an accurate diagnosis.

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But where did he come from? How is it that we pay

for our care to him? What does he qualify for?

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Where is he eligible? We don't have any  
medical records from before so this is all fresh.

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How deeply do we go  
in evaluating his health?

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And then if he is here as an economic migrant,  
can we charge the inevitable sliding fee scale?

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And so there's all of these pieces  
that come into play very often

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with people of goodwill who  
are trying to provide healthcare.

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But what happens is then it results  
in a number of missed opportunities.

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Clinicians are not able to speak with one  
another because they're moving so fast.

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We hear from health centers  
that clinicians have a panel so large

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that they have from seven to eleven minutes  
to speak to a patient in their exam room.

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That they pass their colleague in the hall and  
there really is no opportunity to do a warm handoff

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or to have spoken to someone from eligibility  
to say this was a question that was raised.

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So do we ask all the right questions?  
Has this young man been evaluated for other STIs?

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Have we contemplated hepatitis C  
which is actually so much more likely?

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Are we doing a review of what is likeliest  
to make this young man sick in the next five years

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as opposed to our population calculations  
of what it is that we're likely to see among Latinos.

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And then, are we truly engaged  
in a conversation with the patient

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about what he needs, what his concerns include,  
what it is that he would require from us that would really

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maybe be much simpler than what we're going to put  
him through when we do get him into the exam room

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because in our seven minutes,  
how much do we want to try and do?

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Because his eligibility means that he may not  
have a huge dollar amount to deal with

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do we limit the care that we provide or do we go  
for the gold standard and then have to figure out later on

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what to do when that pot of money  
runs out before the end of the fiscal year.

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So there are so many missed opportunities

that people have to come up against

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because of the challenges

to the decisions that they make.

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And it's everywhere. It's not just

what we face day-to-day

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in our work setting. It's what we are

engaged in when we talk about funding.

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It's what's going on in our own homes.

It's what we hear on the radio.

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It's on a huge scale. There are  
so many points of intersection.

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And really then, how do  
we tease them all out?

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And I think that what you get is what many of us  
experience, which is that we lower our head

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and we hope that whatever tsunami  
is approaching will pass over us

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and flow away and leave us standing so we that  
we can go on marching through our work.

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Because if we grapple with every  
single thing that comes our way

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then we are ineffective,  
the fatigue overtakes us

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and we have what my friend says, which is  
that you should get a job in an industry

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that pays a lot of money  
and give all your money away.

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I think it's really very hard for  
those of us who want to stay

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and really want to work hard to see our way clear  
through a path where we feel that we can be effective.

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And I think that that's  
really the critical piece.

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And very often we don't because  
it's challenging, what's going on out there.

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And I think that we would also  
have to be willing to look explicitly



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at our own beliefs and experiences.

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And what does that mean

in how we interact with somebody?

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And if it's an emotionally charged topic,

are we going to be able to stand there

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and grapple with our

own individual sense of

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discretion about whether or not you should talk

to someone boldly and clearly about what's happening.

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I hear the expression

"conflict averse" and certainly

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conflict at all its levels

makes people very uncomfortable

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even small conflicts about office materials,

all the way up to larger conflicts

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about pay equity in the same organization that is

trying to do the health equity work that we're describing.

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And the choices that get made for  
how people are able to move up the ranks.

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And the way evaluation is conducted  
very often requires that we look

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at our own personal beliefs and experiences  
and then be willing to grapple with it.

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When you look at in healthcare, the piece that  
I always point to is I was doing an evaluation

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of clinicians in their engagement in emotionally  
charged conversations with their patients around STIs.

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And I'm standing in an exam room partitioned off,  
I can see the clinician, I can't see the young man directly

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and she is looking down at her clipboard and she is  
ticking through everything that she needs to do

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and she says to him,

"Do you use condoms?"

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"With every act of intercourse?" That's how she phrases it.

"Do you use condoms with every act of intercourse?"

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And he says, "With women?" And she never looks up

and she says, "Yes." And he says, "Yes."

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And on we go to the next question.

I was a woman with her hair on fire.

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I didn't know what to do because at that point,

I couldn't intervene. That was not my role

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but we were going to let this man walk out

possibly from the only encounter

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he would have an STI clinic

and that answer was hanging in the air.

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We would be confronted with trying  
to decide, do we intervene in a situation

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where we have not been explicitly  
included to try and course correct

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something that we see going on.  
That's very hard to do.

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As we look at out, we really need to understand  
that a lot of these values are unconscious.

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We walk through our lives believing  
ourselves to be good people

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and I think that we truly are,  
by and large, good people

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and want to do right by the folks that we  
purport to help and with whom we are engaged

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but we also have at our core those  
unknown values, those unconscious values,

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that can come out  
in very unexpected moments.

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And what is it

that we do with that?

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But as we look at the world and as

we understand that globalization

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is going to increase the occasions when we need

to interact with somebody very different than ourselves

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that we see we are no longer going to really

have the ability to set some of those things aside

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and narrow our focus and channel our efforts

only in the area where we feel comfortable.



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Really as the world  
becomes one place,

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we're going to have to think about how  
we interact with people different than ourselves,

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the other of us, and really grapple  
with the emotions that rise up,

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our sentiment around what that means and then  
what it is that we might need to do for ourselves.

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Because this is the reality.

244 million international migrants last year.

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That's up from 2013

when it was 232 million.

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So the world is just moving. And just in our  
own room, how many of you moved for school?

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How many of you

moved for a job?

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How many of you

moved in the military?

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How many of you moved because  
your parents were in the military?

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How many moved because economically where you were living  
was no longer viable and you needed to go elsewhere?

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There are so many categories  
that move people away

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and yet, if we reflect on ourselves,  
we don't term ourselves migrants

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we want to categorize that as the other.  
But the causes of movement of humans

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is millennial old and  
at the core of health

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is the migration of human beings and the movement  
of those illnesses from one location to another.

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So we need to stop seeing migration as an aberration,  
as something that only happens elsewhere

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and really understand that it is the casual or the extreme  
movement of humans that we need to be concerned with

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and that that movement can really have a significant effect on health and the health of our communities.

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I think it's really true as communities start to change.

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I know that in northern Colorado for decades Latino migrants engaged in agriculture was the huge reality.

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Yet as time has gone on, there's been a challenge by the introduction of Somali migrants

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who then were able to engage in agriculture because they had come from a part of the world

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where they had been involved in agriculture,  
but they came with a green card

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and they came with access to Medicaid and it made it  
much safer for many of those communities

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to then turn to that  
population for their workforce

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and eliminate the workforce that  
had been there historically for decades.

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So when we start talking about culture

then we really need to think about the broader piece

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of how we articulate culture.

The culture of agriculture,

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the culture of farmworkers,

the culture of migrants,

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because we can hold one definition and have held it

for decades and realize in a heartbeat that it's no longer true.

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And yet we're not incorrect in believing

that we need to focus there

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but that how it needs to look

will really change.

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When we talk about migration,

this is the place where I find myself

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most focused and where I think

most of us can be putting our energy.

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It is with the ability to drive down

vulnerabilities and increase opportunities.

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It has to be

a measure of both.



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If we can look at those places where the people for whom we are concerned are challenged with a vulnerability

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and also look at a place where there might be opportunities for them to better their position

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and feel stronger in their orientation of taking care of themselves, that we do a great deal.

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This is one of the places that I think we struggle the most.

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So much of our healthcare is provided through  
funding from governmental organizations.

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If you look at the national level, the same  
government that's trying to encourage us

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to bring people into care and make sure  
that they utilize the services

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are the same government  
that has immigration policies

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that seeks to find people, incarcerate them,  
and return them to their country.

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We find ourselves in a very difficult place  
of trying to speak to individuals

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and help them understand the nuance  
of what that might mean in their own lives.

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We want them to step out of the shadows  
and take advantage of healthcare

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but we really know that by stepping out of that shadow  
they can put themselves at enormous risk.

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So that's a very difficult thing

for us to negotiate.

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But as were doing that, I want to  
offer you just a couple of examples

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so that you see also at the personal level  
and not just at the large level

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when we talk about the  
intersection of poverty and health.

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This is the case of a man that we worked with in the  
Health Network project that Ned was talking about earlier.

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He came from Guatemala  
and was diagnosed with pulmonary TB.

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Young man, but who knows  
what the source case had been.

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He now needs to move around  
because there is no money without work.

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If there's no work where he is,  
he cannot stay.

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But if we know that his treatment  
is at least going to take six months

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but if there's any kind of break it extends it,  
then we need to follow him from place to place.

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He kept calling and saying, "Nope, can't stay  
in New Jersey. I need to go south."

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So then we call Florida and he'd be like,  
"I'm not going to stay in Florida any longer

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because the work there really didn't pan out.  
Now I'm gonna go to North Dakota."

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Then we call North Dakota.

"I'm not going to stay there any longer.

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I'm going to go back and do

Christmas trees in North Carolina."

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Because what forces him is the need

to be able to provide for his family.

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That's economic and that's based

on the availability of work.

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But the only way we make sure

that he doesn't die from a fully treatable,

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curable disease, is to make sure  
that we keep track of him.

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That is where we through Migrant Clinicians Network  
have begun to see our work.

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If we can reduce his vulnerability  
to illness, which is curable,

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by providing him with the opportunity  
to access that care

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regardless of where he goes,



then we know we've done a good job for him.

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Another example would be  
the young woman who's 18 years old.

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It's always very interesting for me to talk about pregnancy  
and the need for prenatal care in terms of healthcare

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because by and large women who are pregnant  
do not think they're sick. They're just pregnant.

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So they're trying to move on with their lives  
and get the kind of care that they need.

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We worked with this young woman  
and she had to move because she neither drove

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nor was in charge of the housing,  
nor had the money to take care of herself.

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So if she didn't leave with the group  
that was going to provide her transportation

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she was going to be stranded, there wasn't work anywhere,  
and she was going to lose her living circumstances.

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So what we did was we allowed her to move  
and make sure that she caught up.

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We had an example of a woman who was going  
to leave Michigan for Florida at 39 weeks of pregnancy.

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I had a moment and I must honestly admit  
where I said, "Can't you stay?"

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I no sooner had those words out of my mouth then I thought,  
"Well of course she can't stay. If she could, she would."

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But she wasn't going to have housing.

There was no more work.

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There was work waiting for her in Florida,  
there were people who would let her live

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and there was someone who was willing to  
drive her and make her one of their passengers.

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So at 39 weeks, we sent  
her medical records to Florida

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we found an OB that was willing to take her  
at that point and she delivered a healthy baby.

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But what it took to convince someone  
that she was not a high-risk pregnancy

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because we could document her care  
throughout the entire period of her pregnancy

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was really pretty remarkable and it took the good faith  
of a clinician that was willing to work with us.

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So these are the cases that we see daily  
where it really is that intersection

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of the need to migrate  
to keep poverty at bay

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and the effect that it has on their health

can really be quite enormous.

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But the place where I find myself

almost wholly unsuccessful

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and I wish I understood better and this is something

that I would love to learn from you and other colleagues

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is truly how we

can address stigma.

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Stigma of individuals coming

into communities to do important work,

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to perhaps do work that no one else wants

to do that's essential for what goes on

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that keeps them from coming forward

and requesting services that are not unreasonable

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and not even services

that they're not going to pay for

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that they are going to be willing to

step forward and pay what they can

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and see that they are compliant

with what's being requested of them.

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But the stigma that's  
out in our communities now,

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for me and in my perspective,  
is only increasing.

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This is the one place where I find myself losing ground  
and I'm not quite sure what the answer is.

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I would love during our discussion to hear more from you  
about what you see going on in your communities.

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This is another example of a case where it was  
her own sense of feeling stigmatized

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and the stigma that she  
was experiencing as she sought care.

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It was a woman who was enrolled  
in a southern site again for prenatal care.

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Older than average,  
in her late 30s, for prenatal care.

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She stated early on when we enrolled her  
that she really wasn't eating well,

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that she wasn't taking very good care  
of herself, but that she needed to move.

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We were able to get her into care further north. And when  
she showed up there, then we started getting calls:

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"Your patient is missing her appointments.  
She is been noncompliant."

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We really tried to engage with her  
and understand what was going on.

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We have a wonderful caseworker

who was calling her regularly

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and asking what was going on and  
the woman declared feeling numb and sad

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and being unable to continue. And finally  
over time, even as she kept moving,

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and our young worker  
got her in to see a therapist,

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what we finally discovered was this trauma  
that's referred to in the second panel.

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She had left a 14-year-old daughter  
in a Central American country

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and the young woman committed  
suicide by drinking pesticides.

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So here's a woman, newly pregnant,  
bringing another life into the world,

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having to witness that a life  
she left behind ended

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when she was not there  
to attend to it and perhaps intervene.

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So now we have someone  
who doesn't want to stay pregnant,

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who doesn't even really,  
in many cases, want to stay alive.

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But we brought her in, she was able to get some  
counseling, and eventually the woman declared

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that she really didn't see that the therapist was doing  
her any good anymore and so she didn't want to see her.

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But how wonderful  
that she stayed in care.

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She was due in February. We did receive  
word that she had a normal delivery.

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But then we lost her  
and we never heard from her again.

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So we don't know what the end  
result is for this particular woman.

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But along the line, and I really want to credit  
the young woman from our staff who worked with her

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to really at least get her to a point  
of a normal healthy delivery.

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Because I have to be honest and say my colleagues  
along the way wanted to find fault with her

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and her behavior without really truly  
understanding her motivation.

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When we look at vulnerabilities for workers,  
it's so many things that we talk about.

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It's language, culture, dangerous work,  
immigration, lack of regulatory protections,

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healthcare access. A number of items that keep  
coming up over and over and over again.

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I think that we really do need to pick the occasions  
where we can try and have some effect.

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I have colleagues that are looking at dangerous work.  
They look at the lack of regulatory protections.

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We make small inroads.

We've just now been very successful



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in challenging the EPA to translate  
the labels on pesticides into Spanish.

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You would not think that that  
would be such an enormous improvement

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or that it would take so much  
but that was a 10 year battle.

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That one regulatory piece  
took a lot of energy.

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We go through trying to see,

is there a way to do

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an intervention for  
workers that are in danger.

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You'll call a state and they'll say, "For a state  
of millions of people, there are three regulators."

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They might get to you once every two years.

And they might find fault with how

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a company is protecting their  
workers and they might cite them

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but the organization really doesn't pay the fine  
and then you have to take them to court

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to make that challenge stick.

It's this sort of cyclical event

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that very often anyone who is not  
working to the best interest of workers

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can challenge it by not moving and dragging  
their feet long enough that very little goes on.

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Immigration changes and it becomes a federal issue  
that can have state and local implications

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as well as access and use of funds. So these vulnerabilities,  
no matter how long we've been working on them,

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continue to remain in place and then continue  
to reemerge as the populations change.

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What I ask individuals to do then is to think about examples  
where they might be experiencing some of this

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and reflect on what that experience  
is really saying to them.

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If you've worked with someone and you  
start to feel impatience rise or you're annoyed

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You're engaged with someone and at the moment  
it may be that they're not just trying to be obstreperous

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and not listen to what you're saying. It's that really,  
they're feeling concerned or confused

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and when your annoyance rises because you're in a hurry,  
then perhaps it requires that we reflect on ourselves.

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Or if personal questions get asked  
and it reflects to your perception

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a cultural need that they're being  
a little bit offensive and a little bit invasive

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and really what's being expressed is just  
a need to say, "I need to trust you.

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Tell me a little bit more so that I feel confident  
about what you're saying to me."

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Or if they repeat your instructions verbatim it could be that  
they really did not understand what you're saying

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and they're hoping that by just repeating the words

it will somehow make a little bit more sense.

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So perhaps rephrasing.

And then hesitation.

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And hesitation when you offer  
a point and nothing comes back.

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You may have hit a wall. I think we just need  
to take a second look at those moments.

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And this for me  
is the new golden rule.

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I'm not asking that you treat other people  
the way you want to be treated.

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I'm asking you to take a moment  
to truly learn to treat people

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the way they want to be treated  
because it can be very, very different.

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To highlight what many of you  
probably already know,

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but is the motivation for my work  
and really reminds me why



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is that every single day we need to realize  
that two Latino workers die.

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That one in four  
construction workers are Latino

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and that that is one of the most  
dangerous industries in the country.

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Our representation both in that workforce  
and in the mortality rate is enormous.

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In every group then we can look at,  
agriculture is certainly very dangerous,

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large penned animals, construction,  
being out in the field, gardening.

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All of these elements really  
do require that we look around us

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and see where there is danger to workers  
that we might be able to respond to.

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These are just examples from  
the newspaper in 2015 and early 2016

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of individuals. A man who was struck by a truck  
while he was mowing grass on a highway.

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Or a young man that drowned  
in a waste pool at a location.

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Or another young man who was working  
in construction and a marble slab fell on him.

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The variety of dangers  
that workers confront are huge.

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And the safety of those sites

really is not well monitored

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because there are not enough inspectors  
to go out there and look at that.

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And so allying ourselves with individuals  
who are trying to take a hard look

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at worker safety I think is one of  
the places where we can do a lot for health.

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So this is a patient's stroll  
through a health center.

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And I tried to do this from  
the perspective of what the patient sees.

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The patient walks in and maybe  
the first person they see is at the front desk.

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This was an amazing occurrence to me.  
I went to a health center in Georgia

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and I was doing some training  
on family planning for Latinas

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and how it is that we might reach out to them and really  
make it a more exceptional and acceptable service.

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I had a woman raise her hand and say to me,  
"I want you to know that in my memory

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00:49:55,258 --> 00:49:59,262

those services were not available  
to me and my family.

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And now you're asking me  
to extend myself to someone else

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who might not even be here legally. You need  
to understand how difficult that is." And I stopped.

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Because the person greeting you comes to their job  
with their own history and their own experience.

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The person arriving  
may not understand.

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And it's certainly not that we can ask the patient  
to understand but we should work with our staff.

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Because we also have the experience,  
and this was at a different health center,

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where I spoke to some eligibility workers  
and what they said to me was,

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"You know no one in my family ever took a benefit.

My family didn't need to take a benefit."

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As a point of pride, which I want

to support, absolutely.

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If you are proud of your family,

you deserve to be proud of your family.

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That you see the need and

the use of benefits as a negative

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for the people that you are assessing,



that's a critical challenge.

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And then we have members  
of our healthcare team

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who don't see themselves  
as a member of the healthcare team.

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They see themselves as a cog in the  
wheel often. They're just working along

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trying to get through the volume of work  
that's required of them in a day.

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Yet they can be critically positioned in a place  
that can deeply affect our patients.

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I was doing hepatitis C project  
and I was talking to a lot of lab workers

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and they were so fixated on making sure  
that the barcode matched the name,

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00:51:35,525 --> 00:51:42,199

matched the barcode on the wrist, matched what  
they were trying to conclude from the tests.

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They were not looking at the patient  
in the eye and the patient was asked to be there

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00:51:49,339 --> 00:51:53,643

so that they could give blood  
without any explanation of the process,

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00:51:53,643 --> 00:51:59,282

of what it meant, of any quelling of their fears.  
That was a very interesting piece for me to observe.

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Then something as simple as the medical  
assistant speaking the same language

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but idiomatically having some places where  
they don't match. Using some terms that are not good.

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Truly not being fully  
competent in that language.

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Then being tasked to report what the patient  
is saying to someone who's going then to be making

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healthcare decisions. So that was  
a difficult piece to look at as well.

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Then finally we have the clinician  
who's going to try very hard.

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I think if you ask the clinician, "Do you want  
to give your patient the best healthcare possible?"

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The answer would be "Yes." And if you ask the patient,  
"Do you want to get the best healthcare you can?"

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They would say, "Yes." Does it mean the same thing?  
Not always and really frequently, no. Not the same.

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So it's that whole understanding of what is  
best for your patient and listening to the patient

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about what they feel is the problem  
and what it is that they could use.

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If you've never read,

and it's an old book now,

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"The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down,"

I really recommend that you go back to it.

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Because in the face of

trying to provide good care,

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we're also looking at different

care structures and pay structures

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and we're trying to do the systems

part of it and the mechanics of it

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as we're trying to do

the human engagement part of it

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and the real addressing about

what our communities might need

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and being receptive to changes

and understanding all of the elements.

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I think it's at that juncture that we're

asking people to juggle a great deal.

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How it is that you decide the right course

of action to take I think is really difficult.

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Right now my particular irritation is that  
while I am certainly encouraged

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at the Affordable Care Act and that it  
has done so much to bring so many people into care

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who were not in care before,  
it explicitly excluded undocumented migrants.

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So for me it was very difficult to do the great  
hallelujah and feel like we were moving forward

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if what we want to do is guarantee advances  
on the backs of people who deeply need that resource.

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So what's our course of action?

I think the very practical piece of it

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is that we need to really think long and hard  
about what we can do organizationally and individually.

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And that we want to look  
at both what's going on internally

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and with our partners in the community. So it means  
that we really need to have a defined set of values,

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policies, and practices that we articulate with one another,  
and that we agree on and that we revisit.

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Once stated is not solid. Once stated is just  
once stated and they must be reiterated.

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We have to build that capacity to gain cultural knowledge  
and values, and understand the strength and the diversity.

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I offer this as a simple example.

I been doing this a million years now.

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I've been in settings where somebody

says, "Latinos are fatalistic."

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And I say, "Okay, well, if you are poor  
and you live in rural Mexico

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and you're diagnosed with stage IV cancer  
and there's no money for transportation

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and you don't live near enough to services  
and you say out loud, 'I am going to die from my cancer.'"

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Is that you being  
fatalistic or pragmatic?

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And it's pragmatism. So, I ask us all to look  
at the values in the culture and really understand.

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And trying to navigate those differences  
can be very difficult, absolutely.

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So we need to challenge one another but we also need  
to support one another because it is a hard row.

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Then we need to look at our own  
organizations and our own interactions

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for the biases that are  
propagated and remain in place.

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Because we are an organization committed to doing good  
doesn't mean that everything we do internally is good.

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So we need to take a hard  
and fast look at our organizations.

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We're going to value diversity,  
look at some self assessment that is ongoing,

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and that we look at those dynamic differences  
and not try to quell them and make everybody the same

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but that really the institution understands  
that there are cultural differences

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and that they're present in our organizations  
and present in our communities

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and we really want to address  
the imbalance of power.

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That means inside our own organizations,  
as well as outside in our communities.

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I see this in health centers right now that are putting  
a lot of pressure on community health workers

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to be out there and to be the voice of the  
health center and the messenger for health services

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and the group that's  
recruiting patients into care.

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Yet they have no power on the clinical team,  
no champion in the clinical setting,

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and no way to change the culture  
and the environment of the health center.

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So I really ask us to look at those pieces.

And then personally, I ask us all to be present

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and take risks and lower your defenses

because if we can be flexible,

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if we can look at alternative perspectives

and really think that no matter how old we are,

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and I have a friend who says to me, "You're as old

as dirt." Okay. We're not too old to learn.

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If we can just give ourselves

those opportunities and welcome them

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and know that it may be difficult

but we really can do a great job.

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I always like to leave people with at least one instrument,

one tool that I think can make our work better.

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This is specifically for healthcare.

We can do it also in other settings.

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But where we take a long-standing practice,

the clinical history, the medical history,

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and we look at deepening it and getting more

information that can give us a better understanding

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of the person that's in front of us.

So that when we talk about

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do you live in an apartment, a house,

a trailer, or with other people.

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And we just get the answer of,

"Yes, I live in apartment."

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But we don't follow it up with, "Is that really

where you sleep? Do you feel safe there?"

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Are you sharing that space with  
other people who are engaged in

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using drugs, in selling drugs?"

So that you then feel like you are challenged.

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And going all the way down to this area  
at the bottom about presumed worthiness.

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Ask the person if they consider themselves  
to be someone who deserves good care

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and who understands that  
you want them to have that care

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and that you all are  
in alliance with one another.

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It's one of the last slides in your packet. You have  
some of the work that I've drawn from there as articles.

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You have one of the very  
early articles from Paul Farmer

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when he talks about people like ourselves  
who want to be out there championing good

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are often the prophets and prophetic

voices are not always well received.

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There's an article there about deservingness and how people make decisions about who deserves what and who doesn't.

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I really recommend them all to you and hope that you and I can engage in conversation

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both here and further in time.

Thank you so much.

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NED: That was terrific, Deliana.

DELIANA: Thank you.

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NED: I'm going to ask  
for questions from the group.

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A couple of comments. The microphones, there's one here  
and one here. You'll have to move to the microphones.

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I want to make sure that our  
Spanish speakers feel comfortable

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asking a question. Our interpreters  
will interpret it, for me anyway.

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Everyone should have an opportunity.

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I might get started with  
a question then. A lot of your work

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with the Migrant Clinicians Network looks at  
ending health disparities or providing healthcare.

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I'm wondering if you can talk about an example  
in another state or different locale

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where you had a success in that area. What did it take?  
What were the elements that led to the success?

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DELIANA: I offer the individual cases that we went through

in the presentations as some of our examples of success.

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I think what it has really meant is that we've  
understood the systems that were in place,

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we asked the patient specifically  
what it is that they wanted,

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we sought those specific steps and replied  
in a way that then the person could say to us,

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"This is what I want to see happen," versus,  
"This is what we believe you should see done."

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We've done this with tuberculosis. We now, through our system which we've been doing for 20 years, have followed close to

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we had about 8000 patients come through the system but we've followed about 500 cases of active TB.

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To 111 countries. From the US to 111 other countries.

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And I can say to you that treatment completion has been guaranteed for 84% of those cases.

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If you look at what the CDC is able to do in the US,

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it's about 87% for people who stay  
in their community and receive treatment.

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And we're able to do that for people  
who are moving around the globe.

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So it's understanding your systems,  
seeing good partners,

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making sure that you understand  
the steps that are there,

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and engaging with the patient to make sure  
that they are getting what they want.

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NED: I was thinking about TB  
and HIV and a little bit about pregnancy.

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NED: This isn't supposed to be a cynical question.  
Fair enough? DELIANA: Fair enough.

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NED: There's a little bit of an additional sense of  
urgency, especially around infectious diseases

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that I think helps garner  
interest and resources.

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I wonder if there are examples around  
other conditions that don't have that

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transmissibility, such as  
an abnormal pap smear.

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And taking the same person,  
who's moving from state to state,

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who we, in our infinite knowledge,  
have provided a lifesaving screening.

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The actual condition is a more

of a risk to the person herself

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so there isn't that sense of,  
we need to protect other people.

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Are there any differences in addressing chronic diseases  
or diseases that don't have that sense of risk to others?

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DELIANA: There is and then there isn't.

I think that we started our work with TB

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because it was our position that mobility and migration  
should never be an impediment to health.

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The way we wanted to prove that  
was to show you that we could take someone

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with a condition that required treatment  
and see it through to the end successfully.

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Now, we didn't have any money  
to do it. TB had a public mandate.

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That treatment is free of charge  
and so that's why we started there.

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But as soon as we did that somebody said,  
"That's because TB is a public health mandate."

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So then we started  
working with cancer.

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Because we wanted to say, here was  
someone with an urgent need of their own

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where healthcare is not guaranteed  
and the end result could be the same:

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They could die, in the same way  
that someone dies from TB.

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And so we did and we showed that you could do that.

Then they said, "Well, what if it's not as urgent as cancer?"

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So then we added diabetes to say we could show  
chronic disease that requires a lifetime of management.

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So yes, the urgency of  
something being communicable

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makes the community and the public health  
community a little bit more responsive

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but our work has always been to say,  
the endpoint is the same for us.



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Migration should never impede health  
and we can show you that that can be the case.

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You can move around and we can  
make sure that you can get into care

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and if we work in partnership, we can keep you  
as healthy as possible. So that's what we've been doing.

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NED: Great. Thank you.

Question here?

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ANNE: Rev. Dr. Anne Rice-Jones. Together Colorado

Greater Metro Denver Ministerial Alliance.

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We here in Colorado have  
an initiative, a ballot issue,

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Colorado Care, that is one of the first  
single-payer universal health concepts.

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Can you share with us the potential  
for us ever really getting that in place?

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And are there other places looking at it?  
I know it has to have value

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because the Koch brothers are fighting it and people are looking at the propaganda and accepting it.

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Tell us a bit about universal and how that would help us all.

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DELIANA: I think it's a long way off in this country because payment for healthcare services is such a big business.

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That makes it a real challenge. And I think because so many healthcare services, healthcare delivery systems,

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are independent businesses, that makes it a challenge as well.

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But I think that as the world becomes more globalized  
and you have individuals coming to this country

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from other parts of the world where they do have  
nationalized health services and single-payer

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and they are able to see the stark differences between  
what they've come from and what they're experiencing here,

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that greater and greater  
momentum is built around it.

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What it takes, as with so many things,  
is a single state rising to the challenge,

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willing to buy in,  
demonstrating its effectiveness,

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offering other states the template of how they  
were able to make it work, that you then can build on it.

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But I would really be remiss if I didn't say  
that the challenge is fairly enormous.

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The likelihood, and this is my pessimism,  
of seeing it in my lifetime is really pretty bleak.

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TRACY: I'm Tracy. I work with the  
Department of Health and Human Services

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and I specifically support the Title X  
family planning program here in the region.

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I'm specifically interested in the imbalance  
of powers that you talked about towards the end

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because that's something that we very commonly see  
when we go out and we do a review at the health center level.

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And the idea behind this patient centered approach

where we really want to understand the whole patient

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and that empowerment at the level  
of the providers that are seeing it

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but the leadership level, whether they're  
clinical or not within the health center,

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not understanding why it may take more  
than 9 minutes or 11 minutes or 23 minutes

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to really understand  
why that's important.

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So I didn't know if you have  
any talking points or any experiences

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that really would lend itself to folks  
who are seeing those patients and leading up.

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Because ultimately we understand that it is a business  
and that there are financial repercussions

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for that extra four minutes that you're  
spending getting to know that patient.

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But the other end of the equation being,  
if you take that four extra minutes, what that means



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for providing additional services for the patient that you might not need to do there in that particular setting.

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DELIANA: Thank you. I think it's really interesting. Some of the places where I've seen it be successful,

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they've been able to couch that internal evaluation, the reassessment and the realignment of time,

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and responsibility under a performance improvement strategy.

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And that's the kind of language  
that seems to make people happy.

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So if you can couch you  
in terms of were going to look

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at the investment of time  
and energy at all levels

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and recalibrate that energy and our  
commitment to seeing that this is important here

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and the effect to it  
is not going to be significant.

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In the whole it may just bump it a little bit.

You do have greater patient satisfaction,

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greater patient adherence

to the treatment protocols,

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greater positive outcomes

in your performance measures.

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Then it seems to lead to a

willingness to observe that.

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So I would really ask you to read

some of the literature right now

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on some of the performance  
improvement efforts that are under way.

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Because I think it does a lot  
to advance the business part of it.

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AUDIENCE: Hi, I'm here with Voces Unidas  
For Justice, based in Colorado Springs.

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You touched on it briefly.  
I'm a holistic counselor for mental health.

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You touched on it briefly with therapists  
counseling people who are mobile.

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I, once upon a time, was a migrant  
farm worker myself for 15 years.

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There's a lot of need for that as well.  
The other part of the question is

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with sexual abuse and domestic violence  
needing counseling and resources going forward,

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how much of that is tied into  
the counseling connection to the network?

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DELIANA: It's enormous.

The connection is huge.

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When you think about how sexual violence  
has been used to maintain power

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just starting right there.

So it's in the person's home,

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it's in their migration process,  
it's in their work environment,

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it could be in their  
personal relationships.

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And so then the cumulative experience of violence,  
the person really never gets to posttraumatic stress

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because it's traumatic  
stress ongoing.

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And so the mechanism  
for coping is a strategy

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that is modified by the person  
all the way over the entire arc of their life.

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What's needed is absolutely for us to look  
at violence and the use of sexual violence very deeply.

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Those conversations need  
to be present at all levels.

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You're starting to see it  
more now with efforts in farm labor

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to say we're going to hold managers,  
field supervisors, and farmers accountable.

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We're starting to see some



wonderful being work being done

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for individuals who were cleaning  
office buildings and who are alone.

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Those voices are coming forward.  
So I think a couple things are happening.

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The magnitude of the issue is really starting to come to light  
and those lights are remaining hard focused on it.

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The voices of those affected  
are really coming forward

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and they're being amplified

and they're being given a platform.

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We're really starting to see how general it is

across a lot of industries, particularly for women,

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but I do not want to discount men

being affected by sexual violence as well.

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I think the conversation

needs to start really

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in terms of equity and relationships,

in person to person relationships.

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01:11:51,073 --> 01:11:58,580

Some of that education is now being done  
beautifully by groups that are doing men-to-boys,

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where they're really trying to say the  
balance of power can be viewed very differently.

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But it's all of a piece. So you have people  
experiencing it throughout their lives,

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you have people trying to affect  
it in all of these different ways

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by bringing legal assistance  
to them and changing the law.

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You have people trying to do education.

But in the end the piece that I see as really missing

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is mental health, behavioral

health and access to it.

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That's one of the places where there's

a stranglehold on what's available to people.

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I believe that that's one of the places

where Telehealth could do a great deal,

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particularly with

non-English speakers.

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But the ability to be able to provide

mental health services across state lines

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is still a line in the sand

that does not seem to budge.

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So I think were doing a lot of great work

but I think that that one piece in response

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is a place where

we're really falling short.

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JULISSA: Hola, Deliana.

My name is Julissa Soto

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and I'm the Director of the American

Diabetes Association Latino Initiatives.

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I have been there

for 11 years.

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I started three years ago doing some work

in the south area of Colorado. Colorado Springs, Pueblo.

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This is a question for you. I have faced  
discrimination, Latinos against Latinos, right?

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Specifically, when I visit the low-income clinics,  
or the federal qualified low-income clinics

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I have noticed that Latinos have some resentment  
when there are Latinos but they don't speak the language.

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Therefore, they discriminate against  
new immigrants like myself.

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They hear the accent right away  
and assume she's a new immigrant.

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She's not a part of our community.

Specifically, I'm talking about Pueblo, right?

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When I was visiting the clinic, the way Latinos  
were treating the new immigrant community

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was very different than the way that they were approaching  
Latinos who have been here 5 or 6 generations, right?

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And I faced them and said, "Hey guys, I really think  
you guys are discriminating here."

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01:14:07,609 --> 01:14:12,314



They looked at me and they're like, "No, we're all Latinos in here." And I said, "Come on. Come on."

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01:14:12,314 --> 01:14:19,321

How many years have you been in existence and you don't provide any programs in Spanish.

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For the new immigrant community that you have on the east side of Pueblo. Right? Number one.

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Number two, I just saw at the front desk a Latino speaking English to somebody that keeps saying,

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"No hablo Ingles. No hablo Ingles." How many times does that lady need to repeat the same phrase?

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That hurt me and killed  
my heart because

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Being in the United States,  
I know people hear my accent

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but for me, when we're Latinos,  
we're all Latinos, you know?

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It's like, if you see us and I don't speak you will  
put me with all the Latino community, right?

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But if you get to know my story then

yes, I was born and raised in Michoacán, Mexico.

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Yes, I will be with  
the new immigrant community.

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Talking to the Pueblo Community  
Health Center and everyone else

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me bringing programs to them  
while my team operates here in Denver

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but now I have migrated  
to Colorado Springs and Pueblo.

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That has been very challenging for me because  
then, I am labeled as the troublemaker

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just because I'm like, "Hey, the new  
immigrant community exists. Come on guys."

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01:15:28,557 --> 01:15:31,894

You're telling me that you don't have  
any programs in Spanish here?

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How long have you  
been in existence here?

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In Colorado Springs,  
30% of the population is Latino.

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In Pueblo, when they look at me and I say,

"You don't have programs in Spanish?"

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01:15:41,236 --> 01:15:45,107

Specifically when it comes to CVD,

cardiovascular disease, diabetes,

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you have the highest rates of diabetes and therefore,

you don't have a program in Spanish, right?

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01:15:49,811 --> 01:15:52,848

DELIANA: Let me stop you in that.

Okay? Let's go there.

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So you see it and you can view it.

And I think the challenge here is

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is you can either challenge them

that they haven't done it or

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you can step in and say, "You know what,

I see this as missing, and I'm going to help you bring it."

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01:16:06,929 --> 01:16:11,133

Because I think we can challenge and challenge

and challenge and I tell you what,

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01:16:11,133 --> 01:16:14,736

I don't shy away from a good fight,

so please know that.

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01:16:14,736 --> 01:16:18,440

But on the other side,

I want to have an effect

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01:16:18,440 --> 01:16:24,580

and if I bring resources to the table,

if I demonstrate that something can be brought to bear,

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then some of the

defenses come down.

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But if it's always a challenge of,

you're not doing it and you should be doing it,

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01:16:31,653 --> 01:16:35,424

then the defenses really

have a very difficult time coming down.

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01:16:35,424 --> 01:16:41,096

So I offer it to you as perhaps an alternative.

I think you need to call people, always,

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01:16:41,096 --> 01:16:45,000

but then I think the next thing needs to be,

"But you know what, I can help you make that better."

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01:16:45,467 --> 01:16:47,402

JULISSA: Certainly and I'm starting

with the classes there.

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And I'm speaking in here very differently

than the way I speak there.

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In there I was a little bit more humble  
because I really wanted to get into that clinic.

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And I really want to work with low income clinics  
and be part of their electronic medical records

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01:16:58,080 --> 01:17:02,417

so that when they think about diabetes,  
they click that button and they refer to us. Yes.

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But in here I'm speaking differently  
because I feel we're all professionals here

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01:17:06,154 --> 01:17:10,826

I'm in a different environment.

I'm not in Pueblo. So I'm like, "Yes."

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01:17:12,361 --> 01:17:16,665

DELIANA: Just know that people  
in Pueblo may see this video.

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JULISSA: They'll be like,  
"We remember you!"

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But hey, I'm like you. I'm not afraid  
to challenge but you know

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01:17:23,739 --> 01:17:29,911

I really would love to see the clinics working  
like you were saying in your presentation.

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01:17:29,911 --> 01:17:36,184

Understanding communities. And one of  
the things that will stay with me from now on

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I will use your words in my presentations.

You know how everybody says,

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"Treat others like you wanted to be treated."

But you say, "Treat others like they want to be treated."

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So now, that's going to be my line.

I'm going to steal it from you. Thank you.

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NED: I think we have time

for one last question.

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AUDIENCE: I kind of wanted to speak to what you talked about in the beginning of your presentation

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with having to answer to funders and donors and having your vision compromised

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versus the model of the Florida workers and how they were autonomous and saying that they wanted to

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maintain their vision and not necessarily accept federal dollars.

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I guess my question is, with the Florida workers,

is this is a new paradigm that we're finding, as a new means

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by which we can operate autonomously

without having to answer to donors,

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without running the risk of

not having as many resources?

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Or is this something that each organization

will have to question for themselves?

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What do you see as the pros and cons

of each side of that coin?

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DELIANA: I think it's the decision that each group is going to have to make for themselves, certainly.

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I think if you look at worker groups now,

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Immokalee workers in Florida or the Workers Defense Fund out of Austin and Dallas,

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they have committed themselves to helping workers have a voice.

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And the workers are then going to decide how those organizations will function,

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and the decision-making authority  
about from whom they will accept money,

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and how they will then disseminate  
the power internally to their organization.

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I think every organization  
can have that conversation

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and that we do very often get into a place  
of we know we're doing good work

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and so if we can just pursue some funding  
we can keep doing the good work.

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And I don't mean to say  
that that is bad at all.

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I'm just saying that we need to do it  
fully conscious of the choices that we're making

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and the effect that it can have  
and that if there's ever a moment

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where we want to retrench and say,  
"Really this inconsistent with our values and our goals."



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that we take that position and understand,  
come what may, that it may not go the way we want it to.

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But I'm not trying to make a hard  
and fast rule that it's one or the other

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but only to say that  
there can be success

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01:19:55,524 --> 01:20:02,564

and that mostly I see there being success when people  
are truly evaluating what the group is interested in

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where there is parity in the volume of the voices

in the room and in the decision-making authority.

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AUDIENCE: As a follow-up question,  
is there a case study or

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similar literature in regards to how the farm workers  
in Florida were able to accomplish what they did?

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To your knowledge, anything that you  
would refer to the audience as a resource?

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DELIANA: I have not read  
much about their work.

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My information about their work

is having visited with them

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and having their success put in popular press in terms  
of their legal challenges and the outcomes.

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So, no. It doesn't mean that it's not out there,  
it just means that I'm not familiar with it. Sorry.

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NED: So we need to wrap up but I hope  
you'll all join me in thanking Del for being with us today.

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DELIANA: Thank you  
for having me.

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NED: It's important to see a room  
full of people around these important topics.

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We know that no foundation,  
including the Colorado Trust,

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has the ability or the resources  
to address health equity by itself.

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We partner with communities and the residents  
in communities in working toward solutions

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to advance health equity in our state.

Your presence here is another part of that partnership.

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We'll post the presentation, the slides, and then in a couple weeks the video of the presentation will be available.

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I encourage you, if you found interesting things to think about today,

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that you sign up and go on our website to find out about our future

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health equity learning series events.

The next one is November 10th.

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And there will be additional  
information on the website soon.

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Again please fill out the evaluation survey.  
We rely on it heavily in our planning for most parts of the event.

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And then I can't stop without recognizing  
the team effort that these events are.

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I want to thank my staff  
who are integrally involved in all steps.

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And then especially Maggie Frasure, who took responsibility

for most of the things that happened today.

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It came off flawlessly,

Maggie. Thank you.

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I hope you enjoy

the rest of the day. Thank you.