

2026 New Mexico Extreme Heat, Health, and Resiliency Summit

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April 22nd & 23rd, 2026

9:00 - 11:30 AM MT on Zoom

CEUs: Up to 5 Contact Hours for CHW, Nursing (5.5), CHES, and Social Work

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DAY 1 WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2026: HEAT AND HEALTH DATA AND RESEARCH

9:00 - 9:45	<p>Update on Heat and Health in NM: Data and Trends</p> <p>Overview of NM Heat Advocacy and Summit <i>Ashley Proud, MSc, LLM, Executive Director, Healthy Climate New Mexico</i></p> <p>Trends in NM Heat <i>Dave DuBois, PhD, New Mexico State Climatologist, New Mexico State University</i></p> <p>Impacts of Heat on Health in New Mexico <i>Chelsea Langer, PhD, MPH, Bureau Chief, Environmental Health Epidemiology Bureau, NMDOH</i></p>
9:45-10:15	<p>Impacts of Heat on Traditional Lifeways <i>Melissa Riley, PhD, Principal, Native Community Development Associates</i> <i>Stephanie Moraga-McHaley, MS, Board Director, Healthy Climate New Mexico</i></p>
10:15-11:30	<p>Hot Topics: Research and Recommendations on Heat and Health</p> <p>1st Breakout Workshop Choices (3)</p> <p>Heat and Air Pollution: Converging Crises <i>Caitlin G. Jones-Ngo, PhD, MS, Climate and Health Scientist, California Department of Public Health</i></p> <p>Heat Risk Communication <i>Kathryn Lambrecht, PhD, Assistant Professor of Technical Communication, Arizona State University</i></p> <p>Heat and Children's Health <i>Lisa Patel, MD, Executive Director, Medical Society Consortium on Climate and Health</i></p> <p>2nd Breakout Workshop Choices (3)</p> <p>Heat, Menopause and Reproductive Health <i>Keisha R. Callins, MD, MPH, Community Health Care Systems, Inc., Professor, Mercer University School of Medicine</i></p> <p>Heat and Unsheltered Homelessness <i>C. J. Gabbe, PhD, Associate Professor, Santa Clara University</i></p> <p>Extreme Heat and Mental Illness <i>Nathalie Kirby, PhD, Research Scientist, University of British Columbia; University of Ottawa</i></p>

DAY 2 THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2026: SOLUTIONS

9:00-9:30	<p>Just Released: Resources to Reduce Heat Health Harms</p> <p>Clinic Resources for Community Preparedness for Heat <i>Fernando R. Ramos Rosa, LMHC, Climate and Disaster Resilience Manager, Americas Region, Americares</i></p> <p>Heat First Aid: Creating Targeted Resources for Hardly-Reached Communities <i>Daniella Matthews-Trigg LMSW, Program Manager, Vital Strategies</i> <i>Emily Barlett, MD, Emergency Medicine Physician</i> <i>Kelly Watson, Communications Specialist Harm Reduction Section, NMDOH</i></p>
9:30-10:15	<p>New Mexican Grown: Current Heat Policy Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> City of Albuquerque: Opportunities and Challenges - <i>Tammy Fiebelkorn, Albuquerque City Councilor District 7</i> Protecting Workers from Heat - Safe Work 4 All Steering Committee - <i>Jason Glaser, La Isla Network</i>
10:15-11:30	<p>Cool Opportunities for Collaboration: Heat Resilience at the Federal, State and Local Levels</p> <p>Federal: Grace Wickerson MS, Senior Manager, Climate and Health, Federation of American Scientists State: Eugene Livar, PhD, Chief Heat Officer, State of Arizona Local: Fátima Luna, Chief Resilience Officer, City of Tucson</p>

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