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Media Advisory: NIH Meeting to Focus on Building Bridges Across Public and Private Sectors to Better Integrate Sex and Gender Considerations into Biomedical Research

WHAT: The Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH) of the National Institutes of Health, in collaboration with the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health (FNIH), will hold the <u>5th Annual</u> Vivian W. Pinn Symposium. This year's symposium aims to:

- Illustrate how the continued integration of sex and gender into biomedical research is creating opportunities for the nation, not only scientifically but also societally and economically.
- Explore the power of academic, government, nonprofit, for-profit, and business organizations working together to further advance the integration of sex and gender to catalyze innovation and further advance the health of women.
- Demonstrate how applying a multidimensional perspective to women's health generates transdisciplinary cross-sector approaches and partnerships that also can promote integration of sex and gender considerations.

WHEN: May 11–12, 2021, 9:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m. (Eastern Time)

WHERE: The event will be held virtually. Individuals can register at https://bit.ly/3xkwTwl. Participants can share thoughts and questions during the event via Twitter: @NIH_ORWH, @FNIH_Org, #5thAnnualVPS.

WHO: NIH Director Francis S. Collins, M.D., Ph.D.

NIH Office of Research on Women's Health Director Janine Austin Clayton, M.D., FARVO

Foundation for the National Institutes of Health President and Executive Director Maria C. Freire, Ph.D.

Additional speakers—including leaders from research, government, academic, nonprofit, industry, publishing, and other sectors—will present on recent initiatives and investigations.

Visit https://go.usa.gov/xHEY4 and click the "Event Agenda" tab for more details.

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About FNIH: The Foundation for the National Institutes of Health creates and manages alliances with public and private institutions in support of the mission of NIH, the world's premier medical research agency. The foundation, also known as the FNIH, works with its partners to accelerate biomedical research and strategies against diseases and health concerns in the United States and across the globe. The FNIH organizes and administers research projects; supports education and training of new researchers; organizes educational events and symposia; and administers a series of funds supporting a wide range of health issues. Established by Congress, the FNIH is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) charitable organization. For additional information about the FNIH, please visit fnih.org.

About ORWH: ORWH serves as the focal point for women's health research at NIH. It is the first Public Health Service office dedicated specifically to promoting women's health research within, as well as beyond, the NIH scientific community. The office also fosters the recruitment, retention, reentry, and advancement of women in biomedical careers. For more information about ORWH, visit www.nih.gov/women.

About NIH: NIH, the nation's medical research agency, includes 27 Institutes and Centers and is a component of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. NIH is the primary federal agency conducting and supporting basic, clinical, and translational medical research and is investigating the causes, treatments, and cures for both common and rare diseases. For more information about NIH and its programs, visit www.nih.gov.

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