

Weekly Public Affairs Program

Show # 2019-12

Date aired: 3-24-19 Time Aired: 6 Am

Total running time: 29:30 (with optional exit at 24:00)

1. Michael J. Blaha, MD, MPH, Preventive Cardiologist, Director of Clinical Research at the Ciccarone Center for the Prevention of Heart Disease at Johns Hopkins Hospital

Dr. Blaha recently led a study that suggests that people who exercise habitually are more likely to survive their first heart attack. He discussed the wide-ranging benefits of exercise and how much is enough. He said even older people can get in shape and get the heart-protective benefits of physical activity. He also offered ideas for how to get started.

Issues covered: Personal Health Senior Citizens

Length: 9:03

2. Janette Sadik-Khan, transportation and urban transformation expert, former transportation commissioner of New York City, author of "Streetfight: Handbook for an Urban Revolution"

Ms. Sadik-Khan discussed the importance of incorporating innovative transportation plans into modern urban environments. She explained how cities can add protected bike paths, improve crosswalk space, and provide visual cues to reduce speeding. She said redesigning streets can reduce congestion and increase foot traffic, which often improves the bottom line of local businesses.

Issues covered: **Urban Planning Public Transportation** Length: 8:16

3. Jason R. Wiles, PhD, Associate Professor, Biology, Syracuse University

Dr. Wiles led a study that found that minority college students learn many science, technology, engineering, and mathematics lessons more effectively when they are taught by a recent minority student, rather than a traditional classroom instructor. He explained why STEM subjects are so important for today's students, and the possible reasons why this alternative method of teaching works so well.

Issues covered: Education **Minority Concerns**

Length: 5:05