

#### DESCRIPTIONS FOR Weekend of 12/31/21 – 01/02/22

Dr. Fergie provided the latest information on the Omicron variant and why there is a necessity for vaccines and boosters. He also focused on how COVID has affected our Latino communities and pediatric health.

Top Advancements in Cancer Research in 2021

Personal story involving plasma donations and info on the plasma shortage across the country

#### DESCRIPTION FOR Weekend of 12/24/21 – 12/26/21

Dr. Rosario provided the latest information on the Omicron variant and why there is a necessity for vaccines and boosters. He focused on Asian American/Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander health services.

Dr. Sanders focused on steps the United States and the World can take to improve pandemic preparedness and support health workers as we battle the Omicron variant this holiday season and into 2022.

#### DESCRIPTION FOR Weekend of 12/17/21 – 12/19/21

Villanueva focused on the importance of maternal vaccination, especially in the Black community. She also gave us the latest information on the Omicron variant and the importance of boosters.

Torres discussed our domestic intelligence and security service agency and what they are doing to address hate crimes in the United States. Torres-Cone talked about what constitutes a hate crime, how the FBI learns of potential hate crimes, and how they are investigated and prosecuted.

#### DESCRIPTION FOR Weekend of 12/10/21 – 12/12/21

Dr. Collins gave us the latest information on the Omicron variant and discussed the resurgence of the Delta variant in the United States. He discussed additional research that is underway for COVID-19 and the importance of people getting their vaccine boosters as soon as they can. He offered recommendations for having a safe 2021 holiday season.

*The Expecting Entrepreneur* is a guide to parental leave planning for self-employed business owners and entrepreneurs. Taboada says Parental leave is an issue of social justice, human rights, and economic equity. She talked about easy-to-implement strategies and diverse case studies of women entrepreneurs during pregnancy and motherhood.

#### DESCRIPTION FOR Weekend of 12/03/21 – 12/05/21

The Omicron COVID-19 variant has been a big worldwide topic of conversation as the first case was just confirmed in the United States. Dr. Gordon spoke about what we know right now about the transmissibility, severity, and other characteristics of the variant and whether current vaccines be effective. He also addressed the continued rise of COVID-19 cases across the country and the upcoming holiday and winter months.

Tibbles discussed her experiences working on the frontline against COVID-19 and the fact that nearly two years into the pandemic workers still need tools to effectively combat the infection. She offered ways to improve the fight against future pandemics and the emergence of the Omicron variant.

#### DESCRIPTION FOR Weekend of 11/26/21 – 11/28/21

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Nestel talked about the mission of Children's Miracle Network and the impact that COVID has had on sick children nationwide. She discussed new technologies and giving to the foundation.

**Ava** is 17 years old and has received treatment for cancer at Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt. She is a songwriter and loves to golf. She talked about being a CMN ambassador who will spend her year advocating for the charitable need of children's hospitals across North America.

#### DESCRIPTION FOR Weekend of 11/05/21 – 11/07/21

He discussed the impact of COVID-19 on children as compared to adults and why is it important for eligible children to get vaccinated. Alexander talked about why he thinks vaccines are safe for children and what parents should know about the recent authorization of a vaccine for children 5 to 11

Ahead of Veterans' Day this year, the Ad Council and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs have partnered on a national PSA campaign to prevent Veteran suicide. The "Don't wait. Reach out." PSAs announce a new website and encourage Veterans to get support across a wide range of life challenges – before they are in crisis.

#### DESCRIPTION FOR Weekend of 10/29/21 – 10/31/21

It's Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Dr. El-Ashry talked about the biggest advances in research over the last 30 years and what women know about screening and why is it especially important after the COVID-19 pandemic. She also discussed new treatments on the horizon and how people can potentially access them.

Dr. Shah focused on why pregnant women shouldn't be fearful of getting vaccinated and why the CDC recently came out with a stronger recommendation for pregnant women to be vaccinated. She also covered why COVID-19 vaccines don't affect fertility and whether or not COVID antibodies could be passed along to the baby in utero and/or through breastmilk.

#### DESCRIPTION FOR Weekend of 10/22/21 – 10/24/21

Seeley discussed addiction and the impact COVID-19 has had on the increase in drug and alcohol abuse. He talked about relationships and where people can go for help. Seeley also mentioned *Stop It Where It Starts*, a nonprofit organization designed to introduce Substance Use Awareness to the Education Majors in our Colleges and Universities.

Akhter discussed vaccine hesitancy from the perspective of the emergency medicine. He let people know why you should be vaccinated. He also discussed the latest details pertaining to booster shots.

#### DESCRIPTION FOR Weekend of 10/15/21 – 10/17/21

The Federal Trade Commission guests discussed the latest in pandemic and related scams and frauds: vaccine passports/certificates, travel, vaccine lotteries/giveaways, job scams, and social media money making opportunities. The FTC and our 50 states collaborate on investigations and joint enforcement actions, as well as consumer education and outreach.

Demrovsky discussed the supply chain and the challenges businesses and families face in conjunction while dealing with the pandemic. She talked about the difficulties we are currently facing while trying to reactivate the economy.

#### DESCRIPTION FOR Weekend of 10/08/21 – 10/10/21

Dr. Shapiro discussed health care equality with an emphasis on the Latino population for Hispanic Heritage month. Shapiro has created binational public health programs to improve the health of Hispanic communities on both sides of the border. He talked about advocating for vaccine confidence and can speak to hesitancy in the Latino community as well as other COVID-19 related topics.

**The** importance of taking a collaborative, grassroots approach to police reform by bringing law enforcement, local community members, and other stakeholders together to find common ground. Hutchins and Shea talked about how to deal with issues of systemic racism and inequality in policing as well as the mission of National Faith and Blue weekend.

#### DESCRIPTION FOR Weekend of 10/01/21 – 10/03/21

September is **National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month** and this year, it's even more important to discuss mental health as both the CDC and WHO have stated that our mental health continues to be a huge issue since the COVID-19 pandemic began. Sinwelski discussed the warnings about its possible effects on suicidal behaviors.

Discussed equity in education and work and what Goodwill is doing to bridge the gap. Crawley talked about the Goodwill enterprise and how they focus on upskilling millions of Americans and help to get them back into the workforce. She also presented ways people and companies can also get involved in the workforce effort.