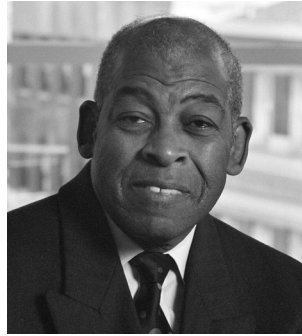




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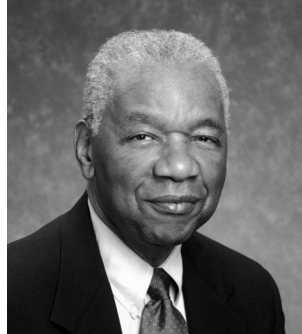
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9:30 a.m.	Registration		
10:00 a.m.	Greetings Moderator: Betsy Vourlekis, PhD, ACSW* Co-Chair, Pioneer Steering Committee		“The Invisibility of the Poor: A Challenge for Social Workers” Colbert I. King <i>Washington Post</i> Columnist, Panelist on “Inside Washington” Washington, DC
	Welcome Remarks Dorothy V. Harris, ACSW, DCSW* NASW Past President Senior Vice President of Special Projects on Children, Youth, and Families Pal-Tech, Inc Arlington, VA		Audience Participation Questions and Answers
	Pioneers in Memoriam Juan Ramos, PhD, ASCW* Retired, Associate Director of Prevention NIMH Rockville, Maryland	12:00 p.m.	Reception Viewing Exhibits Kenneth Carpenter, ACSW* Member, Program Planning Committee
	Introduction of 2011 Pioneers Patricia Martin-O’Meally, ACSW* Adjunct Professor, Howard University Washington, DC Member, Program Planning Committee		Group Photos Robert Arnold, MPS Director, NASW Foundation Patricia McDougall Matthews School of Social Work, Howard University Washington, DC
	LEGACY Project Report Betsy Vourlekis*	12:30 p.m.	Luncheon Welcome Moderator: Bernice Catherine Harper, LLD, ACSW* Retired, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Chair, Program Planning Committee
11:00 a.m.	Introduction of Keynote Speaker Joan O. Weiss, ACSW* Founder, Genetic Alliance Member, Pioneer Planning Committee		

1:30 p.m. "Healthcare Reform: Current Issues
and Answers"
Moderator: Jesse J. Harris, PhD, ACSW*
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2:30 p.m. Acknowledgements
Bernice Catherine Harper*

3:00 p.m. Closing Remarks
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