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Health Equity for ALL Coloradans by Dr. Ned Calonge, President and CEO The Colorado Trust

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Although there is no universally accepted definition of "health equity," The Colorado Trust (www.coloradotrust.org) takes it to mean "ending inequalities that affect racial, ethnic, low-income and other vulnerable populations, so that everyone will have fair and equal opportunities to achieve good health." Evidently, then, health equity is integral to the human and ecological well being of all Coloradans.

Since 1985, "The Trust has worked closely with communities and nonprofit organizations in every county across the state to the improve health and well-being of Coloradans More recently, The Trust began a new strategy aimed at empowering resident-led initiatives to advance health equity at the community level."

Our speaker, Ned Calonge, MD, MPH, became President and CEO of The Colorado Trust in 2010. Prior to joining The Trust, he served as Chief Medical Officer of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment and Chief of the Department of Preventive Medicine for the Colorado Permanente Medical Group. Dr. Calonge also was a family physician for 10 years.