

## 2017 AIFF COMMUNITY CONVERSATION ON “BENDING THE ARC”—GETTING INTO ACTION (October 9, 2017)

### Organizations: Global

1. Partners in Health (PIH; [www.pih.org](http://www.pih.org)); tagline “We go. We make house calls. We build health systems. We stay.” *“Our goal is nothing less than the refashioning of our world into one in which no one starves, drinks impure water, lives in fear of the powerful and violent, and dies ill and untreated. The idea that some lives matter less is the root of all that’s wrong with the world.”* Dr. Paul Farmer, Co-Founder and Chief Strategist
2. Global Force for Healing ([www.globalforceforhealing.org](http://www.globalforceforhealing.org)); tagline “Love is the force”, an Ashland-based nonprofit organization I founded and direct, whose mission is *“to end preventable maternal and newborn deaths by supporting the scaling of community-based, culturally respectful care and related education in underserved areas around the globe.”* We envision a world where all women have access to quality, women-centered care regardless of where they live, their level of education, or financial status. In this world, all babies are welcomed with love, all mothers are treated with compassion and respect, and all communities are supported to be healthy and thrive.

### Organizations: Local and State

1. SO-Health-E (<http://hccso.org/sohealth/>): a regional health equity coalition financially supported by Oregon Health Authority’s Office of Equity and Inclusion. *Mission is to promote equity and address social determinants of health, with a priority on underrepresented populations, particularly racially and ethnically diverse communities and the intersection with people with disabilities, gender and sexual minorities, and income level.*
2. Health Care for All Oregon ([www.hcao.org](http://www.hcao.org)); a nonprofit organization for single payer health care reform. *“We are a statewide coalition of over 120 member organizations working to achieve a comprehensive, equitable, publicly funded, and high-quality health care system to serve all Oregon residents. Through grassroots activism, legislative efforts, and community education programs, HCAO aims to pass universal health care in Oregon by the 2020 legislative session”. To support the movement, please sign the Statement of support: <https://hcao.org/statement-of-support/>.*

### Information

For statistical comparisons of Oregon’s rate of uninsured citizens overall and by ethnicity, consult the Oregon Health Authority website, especially:

- a. <http://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/ANALYTICS/InsuranceData/2015-Demographic-Fact-Sheet.pdf>;

- b. <http://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/ANALYTICS/InsuranceData/2015-ACS-Factsheet.pdf>.

## **Books**

1. "Mountains Upon Mountains" by Tracy Kidder, 2004 (re: PIH's early years in Haiti)
2. "To Repair the World: Paul Farmer Speaks to the Next Generation" by Paul Farmer, 2013
3. "Haiti After the Earthquake" by Paul Farmer, 2011
4. "The Healing of America: A Global Quest for Better, Cheaper, and Fairer Health Care" by T.R. Reid, 2010

## **Films**

1. "Bending the Arc" by Kief Davidson and Pedro Kos, Directors, 2017
2. "Sicko" by Michael Moore (documentary), 2007
3. "Poverty Inc" by Michael M. Miller, Director (documentary), 2014 (Netflix)
4. "Inequality for All" by Robert Reich (documentary), 2013 (Netflix).

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