May 8, 2020
Virtual Public Event

COVID-19: FOREWARNED, BUT NOT FOREARMED

OBJECTIVE
Provide the Bipartisan Commission on Biodefense with a better understanding of the ongoing response to novel coronavirus 2019, national readiness to address large-scale spread of the disease in the United States and throughout the world, and implications for strengthening our defense against the next, inevitable, biological threat.

SCHEDULE

Opening Remarks

Panel One: Congressional Perspective
Sitting Member of Congress will discuss the role of the Legislative Branch in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and the need to prepare the Nation for the next disease outbreak

Representative Donna E. Shalala (D-FL)
Member, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions, Committee on Education and Labor, U.S. House of Representatives; former U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services; former Commissioner, Bipartisan Commission on Biodefense

Panel Two: COVID-19 Leadership, Supply Chain and Diagnostics
Ex officio member of the Commission, and non-governmental and industry representatives will discuss leadership decisions, supply chains and diagnostic tests, and implications of the National Blueprint for Biodefense for policy to better defend against future biological threats.

The Honorable Tevi D. Troy
Former Deputy Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; Former Deputy Assistant and Acting Assistant to President George W. Bush for Domestic Policy; former Policy Director, Senator John Ashcroft; former Domestic Policy Director, Policy Committee, U.S. House of Representatives

Nicolette Louissaint, PhD
Executive Director, Healthcare Ready; former Senior Advisor to the Special Coordinator for Ebola, Department of State

Brent C. Satterfield, PhD
Chief Science Officer, Chief Technology Officer, and Founder, Co-Diagnostics Inc.

Closing Remarks