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New York City, New York USA
Oct. 1-3, 2026

Program

Thursday, October 1, 2026

6:00-8:30 PM: Pre-Workshop Dinner at La Gioconda

Friday, October 2, 2026

(Hunter College, CUNY, Hunter East 1203)

8:30 AM: Introduction and Welcome, Partha Deb

Session #1: Chair – Partha Deb

8:45–9:35 AM: **Sam Kleiner** (FTC) presents *"Healthcare Staffing and Quality of Care: Evidence from Staff Absences"* by Ashvin Gandhi (UCLA), David Grabowski (Harvard), **LJ Ristovska** (Texas) and Brian McGarry (Rochester)

9:35–10:25 AM: **Santiago Acerenza** (Universidad ORT Uruguay) presents *"Sorting on Survival Gains under Incomplete Health Insurance"* by **Dominique Araya** (Ohio State) and Wei G. Xiong (Andes)

10:25–10:55 AM: Break

Session #2: Chair – Melissa Garrido

10:55–11:45 AM: **Maura Coughlin** (Rice) presents *"From Training to Practice: Physician Labor Market Entry, Geographic Mobility, and Reproductive Health Policy"* by **Cecilia Diaz-Camp** (Wash U. St. Louis) and Mayra Pineda-Torres (Georgia Tech)

11:45 AM–12:35 PM: **Ian McCarthy** (Emory) presents *"Licensing Barriers to Interstate Mobility: Evidence from Travel Nurses"* by **Vibhuti Mehta** (Arizona State)

12:35–2:05 PM: LUNCH

Session #3: Chair – Monica Garcia-Perez

2:05–2:55 PM: **Jing Li** (Washington) presents *"Imperfect Attention in Discrete Choice Experiments"* by **Sen Zeng** (Cornell)

2:55–3:45 PM: **Adam Biener** (Lafayette) presents *"Monitoring Pressure and Billing Practices: Evidence from Medicare Recovery Audits"* by **Juan Pantano** (U. Hong Kong) and Jianjang Lin (U. Mass)

3:45–4:15 PM: Break

Session #4: Moderator – Austin Denteh

4:15–5:05 PM: **Nick Papageorge** (Hopkins) presents *"The "Depression Trap": Genetic Risk, Labor Supply, and the Case for Precision Psychiatry"* by **Fergus McCormack** (Cambridge) and Qianyu Yang

Dinner: 6:00 PM at Veerays

Saturday, October 3, 2026

(Hunter College, CUNY, Hunter East 1203)

Session #5: Chair – Edward Norton

8:30–9:20 AM: **Bart Hamilton** (Wash U. St. Louis) presents *"Endogenous Screening and Health Behaviors"* by **Michael Darden** (Hopkins) and Alex Hoagland (Toronto)

9:20–10:10 AM: **Yulong Wang** (Lehigh) presents *"Who Benefits from Higher Treatment Rates? Selection and Survival on the U.S. Kidney Transplanxt Waitlist"* by **Stephen Kastoryano** (Reading)

10:10–10:40 AM: Break

Session #6: Chair – Nick Papageorge

10:40–11:30 AM: **Andrew Ching** (Hopkins) presents *"Learning and Efficiency in the Market for Physician Referrals"* by **Ian McCarthy** (Emory) and Seth Richards Shubik (Hopkins)

11:30–12:20 PM: **Luca Maini** (Harvard) presents *"Did demand-pull deliver? Medicare Part D and pharmaceutical approval rates"* by **Meg Blume-Kuhout** (Gettysburg College)

12:20 PM: Lunch and Adjourn

All papers will be available for download at www.healtheconometrics.org

Lodging

Even Hotel Midtown East Manhattan

221 E. 44th St., New York, NY 10017

Group rate for AHEW available through Sept. 10. Contact UTBoydCenter@utk.edu for details.

Workshop Venue

Hunter College, CUNY Hunter East 1203

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- Subway – 14 minutes
- Walk – 1.3 miles – 30 minutes

Dinner Details

Thursday Evening Pre-Workshop Dinner:

La Gioconda, 6-8:30 PM

226 E 53rd St, New York, NY 10022
12-minute walk (0.6 miles) from Even Hotel Midtown.

Friday Evening Dinner:

Veerays, 6:00 PM

213 E 45th St, New York, NY 10017
3-minute walk (0.1 miles) from Even Hotel Midtown.