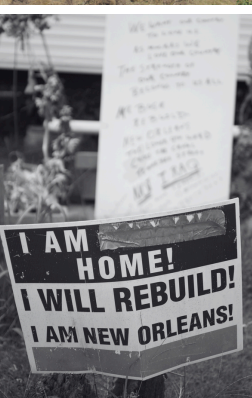




# FROM STORM To STRENGTH

KATRINA'S LEGACY OF HEALTH, HEALING, AND HOPE



## MONDAY

August 25, 2025  
12-1:15PM

Medical Education Building  
1901 Perdido St, Lecture Room 1101B

### TRAPPED AND HEALING: KATRINA THROUGH THE EYES OF HOSPITAL STAFF

Join us for a panel featuring healthcare workers who endured Hurricane Katrina inside New Orleans hospitals, sharing firsthand stories of resilience, ethical challenges, and the critical importance of disaster preparedness in healthcare.

**Moderator:**  
Dr. Donna Williams

**Speakers:**  
Dr. Denise Johnson - Dr. Cathi Fontenot - Dr. Barry Keim  
Dr. Juzar Ali

## TUESDAY

August 26, 2025  
12-1:15 PM

Medical Education Building  
1901 Perdido St, Lecture Room 1101B

### HEALTH AFTER THE STORM: THE FIGHT TO RESTORE CARE IN NEW ORLEANS

Discover how New Orleans' healthcare community responded to the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina through firsthand accounts of rapid response, resourcefulness, and the fight to restore care in a city left in crisis.

**Moderator:**  
Dr. Michael D. Celestin, Jr.

**Speaker:**  
Dr. Scott Hemmerling - Dr. Peter DeBlieux - Dr. Demetrius Porche  
Mr. Mark Schleifstein

## WEDNESDAY

August 27, 2025  
12-1:15 PM

Medical Education Building  
1901 Perdido St, Lecture Room 1101B

### FROM DISASTER TO RECOVERY: PUBLIC HEALTH LESSONS FROM HURRICANE KATRINA

Join experts as they discuss Hurricane Katrina's lasting impact on mental health and community well-being—and what it teaches us about building resilience in a changing climate.

**Moderator:**  
Dr. Tekeda Ferguson

**Speakers:**  
Dr. Barry Keim - Dr. Susanne Straif-Bourgeois - Dr. Stephen Phillippi  
Dr. Adrienne Katner

## THURSDAY

August 28, 2025  
12-1:15 PM

Medical Education Building  
1901 Perdido St, Lecture Room 1101B

### ECHOES OF THE STORM: ACADEMIC RECOVERY AND FUTURE READINESS

Former deans and academic leaders from LSU Health New Orleans share their experiences navigating the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, highlighting the university's resilience, innovative recovery efforts, and commitment to rebuilding education and community health with purpose and compassion.

**Moderator:**  
Representative  
Joseph Cao

**Speakers:**  
Dr. John Gallo - Dr. Jimmy Cairo - Dr. Kevin Lord - Dr. Paul Fidel

## FRIDAY

August 29, 2025

### 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF HURRICANE KATRINA

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