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Dr. Gerald is a University Distinguished Outreach Professor, Canyon Ranch Endowed Chair & Professor in the Department of Health Promotion Sciences in the College of Public Health, University of Arizona and Associate Director of Clinical Research for the Asthma and Airways Disease Research Center. Her area of expertise is in pediatric asthma and she has maintained continuous funding from NHLBI in school based asthma interventions for 20 years. She was instrumental in passing legislation allowing stock inhalers for schools in Arizona and has been serving as a consultant for other states seeking to pass similar legislation. Dr. Gerald recently collaborated with the Pima County Health Department and the Pima County Superintendent's Office to implement and evaluate stock inhalers in all 300 Pima County schools. Currently, she serves as PI of the American Lung Association Airways Clinical Research Center at the University of Arizona, PI of a NIH funded R31 examining the feasibility of connecting emergency departments and schools to improve asthma disparities, and Co-PI of a U01 that is implementing proven effective interventions on the Navajo Nation to improve health disparities in pediatric asthma. Dr. Gerald has a strong background in implementation of community programs to improve pediatric health equity. Dr. Gerald has held several leadership positions in the American Thoracic Society including serving on the Board of Directors, serving as Chair of the Behavioral Science and Health Services Research Assembly, as Co-Chair of the Membership Committee, Co-Chair of the Research Advocacy Committee and as a member of the Finance Committee. Dr. Gerald was recently a member of the Clinical Trials Review Standing Study Section for the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute. Dr. Gerald received a BS in Psychology from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 1990, a MA in Sociology from the University of South Alabama in 1992, a MSPH in Epidemiology and a PhD in Medical Sociology from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 1997. She has both an undergraduate and graduate certificate in Gerontology from the University of Alabama at Birmingham.



Session Title: *The Stock Inhaler Program in Arizona: Updates and Future Directions*

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- the definition of a stock inhaler.
- *the important components of Arizona's stock inhaler law.*
- the comparisons *between inhaler use among different types of schools, students, and administrators.*