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California Diversity Council Hosts Southern California Healthcare Diversity Summit

On April 28, 2016, the California Diversity Council hosted the Southern California Healthcare Diversity Summit at AMN Healthcare in San Diego. Attendees of the symposium gained knowledge and advice from corporate leaders who shared insight from their personal and professional leadership experiences.

“This summit is a great place to participate in dialogue that emphasizes the importance of diversity in the healthcare industry,” said Dennis Kennedy, Founder and Chair of the National Diversity Council. “Our hope is that these discussions motivate participants to put what they have learned into action within their own organizations.”



The half-day event featured multiple healthcare professionals from various organizations discussing topics such as “Cultural Competence,” and “Becoming a Culture of Inclusive Excellence” The summit began at 8:00 a.m. with registration, breakfast, and networking. Following a presentation from keynote speaker Patty McKay, Senior Director of Learning and Talent Development at AMN Healthcare, Inc., featured panelist lead the audience in a series of discussions. Audience members were then given the opportunity to participate in an open question and answer session.

The California Diversity Council would like to thank all the sponsors, speakers and attendees for helping to make this event a success.

Event program booklet, photos, and past California events can be viewed on our [timeline](#).

Keynote Speaker:

Patty McKay

*Senior Director, Learning and Talent Development
AMN Healthcare, Inc.*

Moderator:

Von Fisher

*Talent Acquisition Consultant
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Panelists

Kara Marx

*VP, Information Systems Applications
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