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MORNING PLENARY SESSION

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PLENARY SESSION: MAIN BALLROOM

7:30 AM	Buffet Breakfast	
8:30 AM	Welcome	Kelvyn Cullimore, CEO, BioUtah
8:40 AM	Chairman's Report	Andrea Kendell, CFO, North America, SVP Finance for Global Mfg., Quality & Supply Chain, bioMérieux
8:50 AM	Welcome Remarks	Spencer Cox, Governor, State of Utah
9:00 AM	Lifetime Achievement Award	
9:05 AM	FDA Virtual Town Hall	Jeff Shuren, Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA
9:55 AM	Executive of the Year Award	
10:00 AM	The Future of Medical Device Innovation	Joseph Smith, Chief Scientific Officer, BD
10:45 AM	Entrepreneur of the Year Award	
10:50 AM	A Utah Viewpoint of Progress in Diagnostics	Nicole Lambert, Former COO and President, Myriad Genetics Andrea Kendell, CFO, North America, SVP Finance for Global Mfg., Quality & Supply Chain, bioMérieux
11:35 AM	Innovation Impact Award	
11:40 AM	A World View of Pharmaceutical innovation	Lesley Stolz, VP Early Innovation Partnering, Johnson & Johnson Innovation, Interviewed by David Bearss, CEO, Halia Therapeutics
12:35 PM	Friend of Industry Award	
12:40 PM	Networking Lunch	

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LOCATION: SALON A

HOST: CHRIS PHILLIPS, EPITEL

1:30 PM MDR/IVDR Implementation for Decision Makers

Jessica Smith, VP & Chief Regulatory Officer, Integra Life Sciences (Moderator)
Victor Garcia, VP Regulatory Affairs, Varex Imaging
Kate Benedict, VP/GM Strategic Initiatives, BD
Karli Plenert, Director of Regulatory Affairs, bioMérieux
Rob Becker, VP of Quality, Edwards Life Sciences

2:15 PM The Digital Health Environment, Including Predetermined Changes

Alex Smith, Partner, Hogan and Lovells

3:00 PM Break

3:15 PM Clinical Trials Into the Future

Michelle Comas, Chief Regulatory Officer, Signpath Pharma (Moderator)
Hollie DeSmet, CEO, HJD Consulting
Neeraj Rama, Chief Investment Officer, CBCC Global
Erika Keith, Director of Business Development, Curavit

4:00 PM Impact of AI on Regulatory & Quality Professionals

Chris Phillips, VP, Regulatory Affairs and Quality, Epitel (Moderator)
Eric Henry, Sr. Quality System & Compliance Advisor, King & Spalding
Shweta Maniar, Director, Healthcare & Life Sciences Solutions, Google

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LOCATION: SALON C

HOST: KELVYN CULLIMORE

1:30 PM **Market Access: Navigating the World of GPOs**

Todd Ebert, President, Healthcare Supply Chain Association (Moderator)
Chad Mitchell, VP Medical/Surgical, Vizient, Inc.
Eric Swaim, VP of Strategic Sourcing, HealthTrust

2:15 PM **Developing Products for Pediatric Care: Challenges and Opportunities**

Ronald Day, Professor Emeritus, University of Utah (Moderator)
Chester J. Koh, Director, Pediatric Robotic Surgery Program, Texas Children's Hospital, Baylor College of Medicine
Juan Espinoza, Chief Research Informatics Officer, Stanley Mann Children's Research Institute, Northwestern University
Fineberg School of Medicine
Anne Blaschke, Professor of Pediatrics and Pediatric Infectious Diseases, University of Utah School of Medicine
Cory Jones, VP Data Science, Owlet Care

3:00 PM **Break**

3:15 PM **Developments in Diagnostics**

Greg Critchfield, President, Gregory C. Critchfield, M.D. Inc., Board Member, Sera Prognostics (Moderator)
Tracy George, President, Innovation Business Unit & Chief Scientific Officer, ARUP Laboratories
Mark Poritz, Chief Scientific Officer, Co-Diagnostics
Jared Bauer, CEO, Seek Labs
Kyle Berg, R&D Manager, Quansys Bioscience
Andrew Hemmert, Senior VP, R&D Molecular Biology and Programs, bioMérieux

4:00 PM **From Conception to Launch: The Marketing Thread**

Stacy Boothe, CMO, Savvy Marketer Studio (Moderator)
Russ Bjorklund, VP, Marketing & Strategy, Fluidx Medical Technology
Kelly Himle, Head of Marketing & Strategy, Transit Scientific;
Aimee Kilpack-Francis, Director of Global Product Management, Scientia Vascular

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LOCATION: SALON B

HOST: KEITH MARMER, UVB CAPITAL/SEEK LABS

1:30 PM

Understanding Utah's Workforce Resources

Vic Hockett, Executive Director, Talent Ready Utah, Utah System of Higher Education (Moderator)
Aaron Davis, Associate Dean, College of Science, Engineering & Technology, Utah Tech University
Melisa Stark, Commissioner of Apprenticeship Programs, Utah Division of Workforce Services
Jenni Abbott, Assistant VP of Workforce Training and Education, Salt Lake Community College
Scott England, VP of Molding, Merit Medical
Darcy Carter, Department Chair, Health Administrative Services, Weber State University
Peter Trapa, Dean, College of Science, University of Utah

2:15 PM

The Growing Pharmaceutical Industry in Utah

Paul Laikind, Retired CEO and Serial Entrepreneur, GVM Bioscience (Moderator)
David Bearss, CEO, Halia Therapeutics
Flagg Flanagan, CEO/Chairman, Discgenics
Rob Etherington, CEO, Clene Nanomedicine
Simerdeep Singh Gupta, Associate Director, Product Development, Teva Pharmaceuticals
David Taylor, Chief Financial Officer, Biolexis Therapeutics

3:00 PM

Break

3:15 PM

The Voice of the Patient

Bo Nemelka, Partner, Intermountain Health Strategy Office
Allen Eskew, Retired USAF & Northrop Grumman
Ethan Bruns, Student

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Kem C. Gardner Industry Report












Andrea Brandley, Senior Education Analyst, Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute, University of Utah

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		LOCATION: BALLROOM	HOST: AIMEE EDWARDS, BIOHIVE
1:30 PM		From Sci-Fi Dream to Real-World Impact	Jake George, Director of NeuroRobotics Lab Josh Miller, CEO, Biological Input Output Systems
1:50 PM		Tools for Understanding Carbon Monoxide As a Signaling and Therapeutic Molecule	Lisa Berreau, Vice President for Research
2:05 PM		Biomedical Optics at Utah Valley University	Vern Hart, Associate Professor of Physics Dustin Shipp, Assistant Professor of Physics Vince Rossi, Assistant Professor of Physics
2:20 PM		Students, Startups and Successes – Why it's easier to launch life sciences ventures partnering with BYU	Mike Stark, Assoc. Dean, College of Life Sciences Dave Brown, Director of Tech Transfer Tim Jenkins, Associate Professor
2:35 PM		Sethera: a Platform for Synthesis of Stable Peptide Therapeutics	Karsten Eastman, CEO, Director of Product Development, Sethera
2:50 PM		Integrating Functional Genomics Research into the Undergraduate Experience	Aaron Davis, Associate Dean, College of Science, Engineering, and Technology
3:05 PM	Break		
3:15 PM		Medtech Innovation in Utah: Extending the Focus Beyond the University Lab	Jacob Sheffield, Co-founder/CEO, Bloom Surgical Ian Esplin, Co-founder, Bloom Surgical
3:30 PM		Bloom-B-Gone – A Bioengineered Product for Preventing Utah Lake Toxic Blooms Created by the UVU-iGEM Team	Eric Domyan, Associate Professor of Biology Colleen Hough, Assoc. Professor/Biotech Program Director
3:45 PM		Discovering the Next Generation of CRISPR-based Biotech Tools	Ryan Jackson, Associate Professor
4:00 PM		Nature's Sunscreen	James Gagnon, Assistant Professor
4:15 PM		Toward Educational Innovation in Bioscience Workforce Training and Development	Casey Sayre, Program Director, MS in Pharmaceutical Sciences

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