

Agenda for 2025 Assessing Ability to Pay Research Event:

Tuesday, September 16, 2025 hosted in the Amegy Tower located at 1717 W Loop South, Houston, Texas 77027, 9th Floor, Walter Johnson Conference Center (JCC)

Please review the [website](#) for more information.

Time (and duration)	Event/topic
8AM-8:30AM <i>30 minutes</i>	Breakfast and Check-in
8:30AM-9AM <i>30 minutes</i>	Welcome, agenda + framing, introductions
9AM-10:20 AM <i>80 minutes</i>	Participating Jurisdictions Share Out
10:20-10:30AM <i>10 minutes</i>	BREAK
10:30AM - 11:30 AM <i>60 minutes</i>	Researcher Panel What do we study & why?
11:30 - 12PM <i>30 minutes</i>	Questions & Answers / Facilitated Discussion
12PM - 12:45PM <i>45 minutes</i>	LUNCH
12:45PM - 1:45PM <i>60 minutes</i>	Researchers + Practitioners Discussion: Data & Information Sharing
1:45PM - 2:15PM <i>30 minutes</i>	Arnold Ventures Research Funding Opportunities
2:15 - 2:30 PM <i>15 minutes</i>	BREAK
2:30 - 3:30 PM <i>60 minutes</i>	Table Talks - Researchers and Practitioners
3:30 - 4 PM <i>30 minutes</i>	Confirming Next Steps and Closing

Confirmed Participant List (as of September 9, 2025):

First Name	Last Name	City/County/Org	Title/Org
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Johanna	Craft	Harris County, TX	ADA, HCDA
Bryant	Crubaugh	Researcher	AIR Researcher
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Sam	DeWitt	Researcher	AIR Senior Researcher
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Peter	Jones	Researcher	Associate Professor, University of Alabama-Birmingham
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