

## **DR. ANTHONY “TONY” ITON**

### **Chief Executive Officer**

### **Biography**



Dr. Anthony “Tony” Iton, MD, JD, MPH, is a physician, attorney, public health leader, and nationally recognized advocate for health equity. Over a career spanning more than 30 years, Dr. Iton has tackled systemic barriers to health and championed community-led solutions to target the root causes of health inequities.

As the CEO of The Health Trust, a private charitable foundation, Dr. Iton is spearheading a new path for the organization.

His work will be focused on transforming The Health Trust into a strong advocate for change, a catalyst for policy and systems change, and a Funder that partners with non-profit organizations in the Silicon Valley to improve health outcomes.

Dr. Iton formerly served as Senior Vice President for Healthy Communities, at The California Endowment. He was the principal architect of the landmark \$2 billion, 10-year Building Healthy Communities initiative—one of the largest philanthropic efforts of its kind in the nation. His visionary leadership focused on empowering marginalized communities, changing dominant narratives, shepherding more equitable and inclusive policies, and redesigning community health practices.

Previously, Dr. Iton served as Director and Health Officer for the Alameda County Public Health Department. There, he pioneered research illustrating how ZIP codes are better predictors of life expectancy than genetic codes and worked to craft innovative community-led strategies to improve the social determinants of health.

Dr. Iton holds an MD from Johns Hopkins University, a JD and MPH from UC Berkeley, and a BS in Neurophysiology from McGill University. He is a Lecturer of Health Policy and Management at UC Berkeley’s School of Public Health and serves on the boards of national organizations focused on public health, medical education, and health equity.

