

Geographic Management of Cancer Health Disparities Program (GMaP) Region 2 <u>December 2019 E-Blast</u>

GMaP is an integrated network of 7 regions across the United States. Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa, FL serves as the hub for GMaP Region 2 which currently includes more than 40 partner institutions in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Missouri, Mississippi and Puerto Rico.

You are receiving this email as a Cancer Researcher in GMaP Region 2

GMaP Region 2 TRAVEL AWARDS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!



GMaP Region 2 is offering travel awards to Early Stage Investigators and Trainees intended to support career development related to cancer research or cancer health disparities research. This scholarship will provide reimbursement (e.g. registration, airfare, hotel, etc.) for ESI's or Trainees to present research at conferences and attend skills workshops/trainings. Applicants must be located in a GMaP Region 2 state/territory, be a trainee or Early Stage Investigator (ESI), and submit a

To learn more and/or apply for a travel award click the link below!

complete application.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

The Microbiome and Viruses

February 21 - 24, 2020 Hyatt Regency Orlando Orlando, Florida Abstract submission deadline: Monday, December 9 Advance registration deadline: Friday, January 10

The Microbiome and Viruses

This conference will take place from **Friday, February 21 - Monday, February 24, 2020** at the Hyatt Regency Orlando in Orlando, Florida. The conference aims to illuminate the impact of the microbiome on cancers and cancer therapy will also be discussed. The study of the microbiota and its effects on cancer have transformed how we examine therapies and relationships with the immune system. Tumor microenvironments, and the associated tumor microbiota, have also played a role in individualized immunotherapy, and the development of novel therapeutics. This conference will cover a wide range of topics including the role of the microbiota in metabolism and immunity, oncogenic viruses, and the microbiota in cancer prevention and therapy.

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Abstract Submission and Award Application Deadline: Monday, Dec. 9, 2019, 11:59 p.m. ET Advance Registration Deadline: Friday, Jan. 10, 2020, 11:59 p.m. ET

For more information please visit the website.



The Mays Cancer Center and the Institute for Health Promotion Research at UT Health San Antonio are hosting the second international conference on Advancing the Science of Cancer in Latinos on **February 26-28**, **2020**, in San Antonio, Texas.

This conference comes at an especially important time when Latinos – the largest, youngest and fastestgrowing minority group in the U.S. – are expected to face a 142% rise in cancer cases in coming years. Disparities continue to plague this population in access to care, risk factor behaviors, mortality, and quality of life. Our vision has been to unite researchers, scientists, physicians, healthcare professionals, patient advocates and students from across the nation and beyond, in an open dialogue, under one roof, to discuss research advancements to date, identify gaps, and develop actionable goals to translate basic research into clinical best practices, effective community interventions, and professional training programs to eliminate cancer disparities in Latinos.

We hope you will join us in February 2020 to gain a comprehensive perspective on Latino cancer health disparities, learn how you can apply some of this research and practice into your own work, and help us foster more collaboration, more research and more success in improving the health and lives of Latinos.

For more information please visit the website.



4th Annual Cancer Disparities Symposium: Cultivating Science and Community Engagement to Address Cancer Health Disparities

Presented by Case Comprehensive Cancer Center Office of Cancer Disparities Research, the 4th Annual Cancer Disparities Symposium will take place on **Friday, March 6, 2020** at the Tinkham Veale University Center at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH. The symposium will feature keynote presentations by renowned disparities researchers and community leaders, a poster session highlighting academic research and community programs, a networking session and an interactive panel discussion.

The Case Comprehensive Cancer Center Office of Cancer Disparities Research invites multidisciplinary researchers, community agencies and organizations to submit abstracts for presentation at the 4th Annual Cancer Disparities Symposium. Abstracts will be divided into two tracks: <u>Scientific Research</u> and <u>Community Programs</u>.

Meritorious abstracts will be selected for oral presentations. Abstracts must be submitted electronically by 5 pm ET on Tuesday, December 3, 2019. For more information please visit the<u>website</u>.

Creative Partnerships:

Working Together to Advance Health Literacy and Equity

I9th Annual Health Literacy Conference

May 13-15, 2020 | Hilton Orange County | Costa Mesa

19th Annual Health Literacy Conference

Institute for Healthcare Advancement's Annual Health Literacy Conference draws participants from around the world to discuss practical health literacy solutions. Whether you work directly with the public or behind the scenes, in patient education or in research, at a small non-profit or a large corporation – there's something for everyone.

Health literacy must become an integral component of all health programs, quality improvement initiatives, and cost containment efforts to achieve successful outcomes for everyone. This important event happens just once a year. Take this opportunity to experience IHA's Annual Health Literacy Conference. The conference will be held at the Hilton Orange County in Costa Mesa, CA from Wednesday, May 13th - Friday, May 15th, 2020

For more information please visit the website.

THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

Transdisciplinary Community-Based Participatory Research

Training Workshop

Featuring 12 nationally-recognized experts in Community-Based Participatory Research (CBPR), this state-of-the-art, 2 ½ day workshop is geared especially for early stage investigators from various research and/or clinical backgrounds as well as researchers and clinicians more advanced in their career who want to further hone their community engagement skills. The workshop will be held at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC) in Memphis, TN from **Thursday, June 11- Saturday, June 13, 2020**.

As part of the workshop, trainees will learn how to create and sustain community partnerships in order to meaningfully impact cancer health disparities. In addition, trainees will have the opportunity to dialogue with nationally-recognized experts in CBPR who will present on a variety of CBPR components and discuss exemplars in CBPR research across the cancer continuum. In addition, trainees will have the opportunity to develop their own study ideas and receive feedback from CBPR experts. Trainees will engage in experiential learning and also will have the opportunity to tour the National Civil Rights Museum. Finally, trainees will be paired with a research mentor through the National Institutes of Health (NIH)-funded National Research Mentoring Network (NRMN) for continued research mentorship for 1 year following the workshop. The overall vision of this workshop is to equip trainees with the knowledge and skills needed to submit a grant application by Fall 2021.

Applications will be accepted through March 1, 2020. Registration is limited to 50 trainees, so applying early is encouraged.

For more information please visit the website.



Transdisciplinary Research on Energetics and Cancer (TREC) Training Workshop

Funded by the U.S. National Cancer Institute and led by Yale University's Dr. Melinda Irwin with a Senior Advisory Board and an expert international faculty, this program builds capacity in TD energetics and cancer research and is designed for early career investigators (i.e., junior faculty and postdocs). This 5-day, in residence Workshop is offered annually and places emphasis on developing and applying TD competencies focused on energetics (i.e., obesity, diet and exercise) and cancer. Faculty span an array of professional disciplines, from basic scientists to clinicians to behavioral and population scientists. Formal didactic learning is integrated with one-on-one dialog and small group discussions to enable fellows to learn from each other, from faculty, and to develop a TD network.

The 4th annual course will be held **Sunday, June 21th - Friday, June 26th, 2020** at Water's Edge Resort, Westbrook, CT, U.S.A. Costs will be covered (excluding ground transportation).

Notification of Intent to apply (simple, informal email to <u>dlowry@fredhutch.org</u>) due no later than December 16, 2019. Full application is due no later than Wednesday, January 15, 2020.

For more details and to apply, visit <u>TRECTraining.yale.edu</u>. For questions, please contact Diana Lowry at<u>dlowry@fredhutch.org</u>.



Community Advocacy Matchmaking Event: Connecting Clinical Researchers to the Community!

Please join us for an event sponsored by the WE-CARE group that aims to connect clinical researchers to the community. The event will take place on **Friday**, **December 6th, 2019** at the C. Blythe Andrews Public Library from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm. Lunch is provided and admission is free.

Space is limited! To register, click here.

AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/INTERNSHIPS



The SPIRIT-CHD Summer Internship Program provides students in Tampa, Florida and New Orleans, Louisiana with 8-weeks of intensive clinical and/or behavioral research studies under the mentorship of an assigned expert research scientist from Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa, Florida or Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The SPIRIT-CHD is open to U.S. citizens currently enrolled as an undergraduate or medical school student interested in biomedical research. The SPIRIT-CHD has an added focus on cancer health disparities, biobanking and precision medicine research. Minority undergraduate and medical school students are encouraged to apply.

For their participation in the program participants will receive a stipend to cover personal expenses. Housing is not covered for out-of-town students and candidates are required to make their own living arrangements for the duration of the program.

Additional information about this program can be found at this <u>website</u>. Applications are due Friday, January 31st, 2020 and can be completed at this <u>link</u>.

NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE

NCI Communications Fellowship (NCF)

The NCI Communications Fellowship (NCF), formerly known as the Health Communications Internship Program (HCIP), gives highly-qualified graduate students and recent graduate degree recipients the opportunity to participate in vital communications projects across the National Cancer Institute (NCI).

NCF Fellows are offered one-year fellowships in various communications and science-focused offices at NCI and a robust career development series. The NCF highly encourages individuals with communications education and/or experience who are represented in NIH's Notice of Interest in Diversity (NOT-OD-18-210) to apply.

Additional information about this program, including fellowship requirements, examples of past work assignments, and the online application can be found by visiting the <u>NCF website</u>.



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Medical Research Scholars Program(MRSP)

The <u>Medical Research Scholars Program</u> endeavors to be the premier training program for future clinician-scientists that advances health by inspiring careers in biomedical research. By engaging

students in basic, clinical, or translational research investigations, a curriculum rich in didactics and professional development, and a robust mentorship and advising program, MRSP prepares its Scholars to become tomorrow's leaders in medicine and biomedical research.

The 12 month program is designed for students who are U.S. citizens and permanent residents who have a strong interest in conduction basic, clinical, translational, population health research and are currently enrolled in their 2nd, 3rd, or 4th year at an accredited medical, dental, or veterinary program.

The application cycle for the 2020–2021 program is from October 1, 2019 to January 10, 2020. For application details, please click<u>here</u>.

The Tribal Researchers' Cancer Control Fellowship Program is recruiting a third cohort!

The overall goal of the Tribal Researchers' Cancer Control Fellowship Program is to reduce cancer incidence and mortality and improve cancer survival in tribal communities through the efforts of Al/AN researchers. This fellowship program offers training and mentorship to prepare researchers to design and implement cancer-related research projects within Al/AN communities. Costs associated with the training, including travel will be covered.

For more information please see the following<u>flyer</u>.



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Cancer Prevention & Control Research Training Program

The Cancer Prevention and Control (CAPAC) Research Training Program at the Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences of the University of Puerto Rico Comprehensive Cancer Center (UPRCCC) aims to increase the pool of master's degree graduates and other health professionals to pursue a doctoral degree and/or a career in cancer prevention and control research with a focus on Hispanic health and health disparities. The long-term goal of this Program is to contribute to the development of the next generation of successful cancer control researchers with a cultural sensitivity to the Hispanic population.

For more information please visit the website.

Scientist Mentoring & Diversity Program

The Scientist Mentoring & Diversity Program (SMDP) is accepting applications for the 2020 SMDP. Ethnically diverse university students and recent graduates in technical fields are invited to apply (Hispanic Americans, Pacific Islanders, African Americans and American Indians). To qualify, applicants must be interested in a career in biotechnology, medical technology or consumer healthcare industries and seek to receive career mentoring and training from industry leaders.

For more information please visit the website.





NIH Loan Repayment Programs (LRPs). Application deadlines vary

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

(NEW) <u>Project Assistant</u>, Division of Clinical and Administrative Services (DCAS) of the College of Pharmacy, Xavier University of Lousiana

Faculty Member, Department of Health Outcomes & Behavior, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute

Postdoctoral Scholar in Health Inequities, Center for Health Outcomes and Population Equity (Center for HOPE), University of Utah

<u>Postdoctoral Fellow</u>, Brown School and the Division of Public Health Sciences, Washington University in St. Louis and Siteman Cancer Center

<u>Clinical Assistant or Associate Professor</u>, School of Public Health and Health Professions, University at Buffalo

Postdoctoral Fellow, Division of Population Science, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute

<u>Postdoctoral Fellow</u>, Center for Health Behavior Research, University of Pennsylvania

<u>Postdoctoral Fellow</u>, Department of Medical Social Sciences, Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center, Northwestern University

<u>Health Economist</u>, Healthcare Assessment Research Branch, National Cancer Institute

Medical Officer, Health Systems and Interventions Research Branch, National Cancer Institute

Lecturer in Public Health, Baylor Public Health, Baylor University

<u>Associate Professor of Epidemiology</u>, Baylor Public Health, Baylor University

Associate Professor or Assistant Professor, Community Psychology or Applied Social Psychology, University of Massachusetts Lowell

<u>Global Health Technical Positions (USAID) - Humanitarian Health Advisor</u> Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance, Washington, D.C.

Yale University Cancer Outcomes Faculty Position Yale Cancer Outcomes, Public Policy and Effectiveness Research (COPPER) Center

San Diego State University Associate Professor/Professor Position San Diego State University School of Public Health

<u>University of Kentucky Open-Rank Tenure-Faculty Positions</u> Center for Health Equity Transformation (CHET), College of Medicine at the University of Kentucky <u>Tenure-track Faculty Position: Cardiovascular Disease Epidemiology and</u> <u>Related Fields-Department of Epidemiology and Population Health,</u> Department of Epidemiology and Population Health, Albert Einstein College of Medicine

Health Scientist, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Epidemiologist, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Public Health Analyst, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



COMMISSIONED CORPS OF THE U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

America's Health Responders

The Commissioned Corps is accepting applications for all professional categories for applicants who must be willing to serve where the needs of the service dictate or within the organizations that provide clinical care services listed below.

- Indian Health Service
- Federal Bureau of Prisons
- Department of Homeland Security
 - U.S. Coast Guard
 - Immigration Health Service Corps
- National Institutes of Health
- Federal Occupational Health
- Department of Interior/National Park Service, Clinical Site
- Department of Defense/Defense Health Agency
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs/Veterans Health Administration

We are emphasizing our recruiting for the following categories:Medical officers, Veterinary officers, Dental officers, and Nurse Practitioners officers. Interservice Transfers and Former Commissioned Corps officers, including former JRCOSTEPs, are also encouraged to apply.

To apply please visit the <u>website</u>, contact the Call Center at 1-888-225-3302 or direct your questions to cchelpdesk@hhs.gov.

FUNDING RESOURCES & OPPORTUNITIES



The Florida Breast Cancer Foundation is currently offering scientific grants for

Pilot Program research projects, with a maximum of \$100,000 for a one year project. Preference will be given to new/first time applicants and to research applications that are a reflection of a collaborative and integrated multidisciplinary approach.

The Florida Breast Cancer Foundation supports unique research projects or ideas (from small- to large-scale) that specifically focus on scientific and clinical breast cancer issues, which, if successfully addressed, could ultimately revolutionize the understanding and/or treatment of breast cancer and move closer to the goal of eradicating the disease.

For more information please visit the website.

(NEW) Administrative Supplements to Support Cancer Disparity Collaborative Research | Applications are due February 10, 2020 and September 10, 2020| <u>PA-18-842</u> *<u>Pre-Application Webinar, Friday, December 6, 2019, 2:00 – 3:30 PM EST</u>*

Social Epigenomics Research Focused on Minority Health and Health Disparities (R01- Clinical Trial Not Allowed) | Applications are due November 6, 2019, November 6, 2020, November 8, 2021 PAR-19-372

Funding Your Health Equity Research in an Evolving Era: Trends and Tips from National Funding Organizations

NCI Mechanisms of Disparities in Etiology and Outcomes of Lung Cancer in the US: The Role of Risk and Protective Factors (NEW) (R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed) | Applications are due March 4, 2020; March 4, 2021| PAR-19-018

NCI Mechanisms of Disparities in Etiology and Outcomes of Lung Cancer in the US: The Role of Risk and Protective Factors (NEW) (R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed) | Applications are due March 4, 2020; March 4, 2021| PAR-19-019

Looking for additional **funding opportunities**? A full list of CRCHD funding opportunities as well as select NIH opportunities is available online.

The National Cancer Institute has re-issued the Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) Linking the Provider Recommendation to Adolescent HPV Vaccine Uptake (Clinical Trial Optional) (PAR-19-360 [R01]; PAR-19-359 [R03] and PAR-19-358 [R21]).

This FOA encourages research on how the health care delivery system enhances or inhibits the effectiveness of a provider's recommendation of the adolescent human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine.

NIH Maximizing Opportunities for Scientific and Academic Independent Careers (MOSAIC)



The NIH Maximizing Opportunities for Scientific and Academic Independent Careers (MOSAIC) program is designed to facilitate the transition of promising postdoctoral researchers from diverse backgrounds, such as individuals from groups underrepresented in the biomedical research workforce at the faculty level, into independent faculty careers at research-intensive institutions.

The program has two components:

- MOSAIC Postdoctoral Career Transition Award to Promote Diversity (K99/R00). Supports postdoctoral scientists from diverse backgrounds conducting research in areas within the NIGMS mission by providing up to 5 years of support in two phases. The initial (K99) phase provides support for up to 2 years of mentored postdoctoral research training and career development. The second (R00) phase provides up to 3 years of independent research support once the scholar transitions to an independent faculty position. Awardees must be US Citizens or Permanent Residents. For more information see: PAR-19-343. Please note, the first application deadline is February 12, 2020. Intramural postdocs are eligible for this award.
- MOSAIC Institutionally-Focused Research Education Cooperative Agreement to Promote Diversity (UE5). Supports scientific societies whose members conduct research within the NIGMS mission. Awardees will provide skills development, mentoring, and networking opportunities that prepare cohorts of scholars supported by MOSAIC K99/R00 awards to transition into, succeed, and advance in independent faculty careers at research-intensive institutions. For more information see: <u>PAR-19-342</u>.

Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): NCI's Research Interests to Improve Interprofessional Teamwork and Coordination During Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment

This <u>NOSI</u> highlights the Healthcare Delivery Research Program's interest in receiving investigator-initiated grant applications focused on understanding and improving interprofessional teamwork and coordination during cancer diagnosis and treatment.

Research encouraged through this NOSI includes, but is not limited to, studies that

- Identify modifiable features of **care team structure** (e.g., care team composition or organization), associated with differences in cancer care quality and patient outcomes.
- Identify modifiable features of care team processes (e.g., decision making, communication, coordination behaviors, collaboration, leadership) associated with differences in cancer care quality and patient outcomes.
- Identify characteristics at the patient, caregiver, care team, delivery organization, health system, and/or community levels that influence the functioning and effectiveness of interprofessional cancer care teams.

- Develop and test interventions designed to improve cancer care quality and patient outcomes by **modifying the structure and/or functioning** of interprofessional teams.
- Develop and test interventions designed to improve cancer care quality and patient outcomes by **engaging patients and caregivers** as members of their cancer care team.

Application and Submission Information

This NOSI applies to due dates on or after**September 25, 2019 through January 8, 2022**. Applications related to this NOSI may be submitted using the following funding opportunity announcements or future reissuances:

- <u>PAR-18-869</u> Modular R01s in Cancer Control and Population Sciences (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)
- <u>PAR-18-559</u> Cancer Prevention and Control Clinical Trials Grant Program (R01 Clinical Trial Required)
- <u>PA-19-056</u> NIH Research Project Grant (Parent R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
- <u>PAR-18-290</u> National Cancer Institute Program Project Applications (P01 Clinical Trial Optional)

An **informational webinar** about this NOSI is being planned and will be announced soon.

NEWS

Early Stage Investigator (ESI) Extension Request Process Moving to eRA Commons. NIH recognizes that a lot can happen to interrupt the ten-year eligibility window of your Early Stage Investigator (ESI) status, such as family care responsibilities, military service, medical concerns, and more. While you may currently request an extension of that ten-year period by completing an Extension Request Form, the process for requesting an extension of ESI status will soon be moving to the eRA Commons. Beginning on August 22, 2019, investigators will be able to request an extension of their ESI eligibility directly through eRA Commons via an ESI Extension request button in the Education section of their personal profile.

Please learn more about ESI Status Extensions here

RESOURCES & TOOLS



Health Resources & Services Administration

The HRSA seeks to ensure that underserved communities have well-trained, diverse health care providers to deliver and facilitate needed care. HRSA programs support providers with direct patient care responsibilities, as well as public health and allied health professionals and paraprofessionals who support the health and well-being of the population.

In 2019 – 2022, HRSA will focus efforts to equip and retain the health care workforce in underserved and rural communities to meet critical needs and achieve improved access to health care.

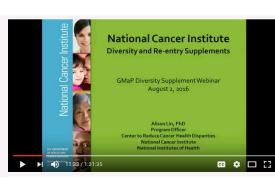
For information about HRSA Funding Opportunities, please visit the following website.



NINDS's Building Up the Nerve

Building Up the Nerve is a podcast from the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke for neuroscience trainees that takes you through the life cycle of a grant from idea to award at NINDS with the people who make it happen. We know that applying for NIH funding can be daunting, but we're here to help it's our job!





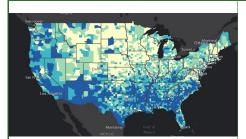
Watch Webinar!

Presentation Slides Presentation Flyer

Are you interested in a Diversity and Re-entry Supplement?

NCI Diversity supplements support the research training of students, postbaccalaureate and post-masters individuals, postdoctoral fellows, and faculty investigators who are members of an underrepresented group.

Learn more about how you can become part of the next generation of competitive investigators in cancer health disparities research by participating in the diversity and re-entry supplements!



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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Social Vulnerability Index

Social vulnerability refers to the resilience of communities when confronted by external stresses on human health, stresses such as natural or human-caused disasters, or disease outbreaks. Reducing social vulnerability can decrease both human suffering and economic loss. CDC's Social Vulnerability Index uses 15 U.S. census variables at tract level to help local officials identify communities that may need support in preparing for hazards; or recovering from disaster.

The Geospatial Research, Analysis, and Services Program (GRASP) created and maintains CDC's Social Vulnerability Index. For more information visit <u>here</u>.



- Cancer Health Disparities | Did You Know? NCI
- Promoting Yourself, Your Research and the New NIH Biosketch.
- NIH Biosketch What is new in the New Biosketch?
- NIH Tips on Writing Your Grant Application
- Find Funded NIH Projects <u>NIH Reporter</u>
- Health Disparities Calculator NCI
- <u>Cancer Health Disparities Definitions NCI</u>
- <u>Public Health Employment Connection</u> Updated Job Opportunities Nationwide
- Jobs @ NIH Explore jobs and training opportunities

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Cancer Training at NCI

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