

**Geographic Management of
Cancer Health Disparities Program
(GMAP) Region 2**
May 2020 E-Blast

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.

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GMaP Region 2 - COVID-19 Update

Dear GMaP Region 2: We hope you and your families are staying safe amidst the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. As we monitor the situation, GMaP Region 2 will continue to send out news from the National Cancer Institute, conference updates, virtual meeting details, job opportunities, grant notices, etc. via multiple communication channels.

Although applications for GMaP Region 2 Travel Awards are closed until further notice, applications for [GMaP Region 2 Expert Grant Reviews](#) remain open. If you have information you would like to share with our network or additional questions or concerns, please contact us at gmap.region2@moffitt.org.

COVID-19 Related News & Resources:

Funding Opportunity & National Institutes of Health Updates

- **(NEW)** [Coronavirus Update: Guidance for NIH Reviewers](#)
- **(NEW)** [NIH to launch public-private partnership to speed COVID-19 vaccine and treatment options](#)
- **(NEW)** [New NIH Resource to Analyze COVID-19 Literature: The COVID-19 Portfolio Tool](#)
- **(NEW)** [At NCI, A Robust and Rapid Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)
- **(NEW)** [NIH Director's Blog](#)
- **(NEW)** [Open Mike Blog](#)
- [Emergency Competitive Revision FOA](#)
- [Notice on Late Applications](#)
- [Notice on NIH FAQs](#)

Notices of Special Interest (NOSIs)

- [Notice of Special Interest - Competitive and Administrative Supplements for the Impact of COVID-19 Outbreak on Minority](#)

Health and Health Disparities

- Notice of Special Interest (NOSI) - National Cancer Institute Announcement Regarding Availability of Urgent Competitive Revision and Administrative Supplements on Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)
- Notice of Special Interest (NOSI) - National Cancer Institute Announcement regarding Availability of Competitive Revision SBIR/STTR Supplements on Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Application Extensions

- Extension of Diversity Supplement Submission Period
- Extension of Re-Entry Supplement Submission Period
- Application Extension for NCI Provocative Question #7 & #8 (R01)
- Application Extension for NCI Provocative Question #7 & #8 (R21)

General Information

- **(NEW)** COVID Projections Tracker
- **(NEW)** COVID-19 More Prevalent, Deadlier in U.S. Counties with Higher Black Populations
- **(NEW)** A Top Immunologist on Why Coronavirus Is Killing More African-Americans
- **(NEW)** Survey: COVID-19 Affecting Patients' Access to Cancer Care—Delays and Financial Strain Dominate Cancer Patients' Experience in Pandemic
- **(NEW)** American Cancer Society Podcast with Dr. Sharpless
- **(NEW)** Understanding the COVID-19 Pandemic: Insights from Johns Hopkins University Experts
- Coronavirus - The Hammer and the Dance
- Health Equity & Coronavirus
- Preguntas Mas Frecuentes



**19th Annual Health
Literacy Conference -
CANCELLED**

For more information please
visit the [website](#).

NEWS - EVENTS - CONFERENCES

(NEW) The 15th Annual Texas Conference on Health Disparities will take place virtually from **Thursday, June 11th - Friday, June 12th, 2020**. For the Virtual Texas Conference On Health Disparities: "Women's Health Disparities", we will focus on the research, training, and community outreach activities of our Texas Center for Health Disparities. We will update everyone as we iron out the details to make this very important conference still take place. We appreciate your

interest and patience as we iron out the details and will contact you as we finalize the conference. For any questions, please contact molly.o'brien@unthsc.edu.

For more information please visit the [website](#).



AFROTECH™ : HEALTH

AfroTech continues to be the leading black tech conference in the US, and we are now expanding to include AfroTech Health! AfroTech Health is a one-day summit of programming and networking for Black professionals in the health industry. Come join 350+ of your fellow health industry professionals, entrepreneurs and executives as we explore emerging health tech trends and discuss how to grow your career in the health industry. The level up includes hands-on workshops, panels and guided group discussions. You must be 18+ to attend. The conference will be held at the Terra Gallery & Event Venue in San Francisco, CA on **Friday, August 7th, 2020**.

For more information please visit the [website](#).



International Cancer Education Conference

Using Cancer Education to Address Social Determinants of Health

14-16 October 2020 • College Park, Maryland, USA

The 2020 International Cancer Education Conference (ICEC) will be held in College Park, Maryland, from **Wednesday, October 14th – Friday, October 16th, 2020**. The 2020 conference plans to draw in more than 250 educators, physicians, nurses, public health professionals, researchers, students and social workers from around the world. Continuing Education credits will be provided for physicians, nurses, CHES professionals, and social workers.

The 2020 International Cancer Education Conference invites abstracts for Preconference Workshops, Oral Presentations, Poster Presentations, and Symposia/Panels that emphasize cancer education curricula, programs and/or initiatives across the cancer continuum, in relation to the conference theme, *Using Cancer Education to Address Social Determinants of Health*.

Workshop Abstract Submission Deadline: Extended to June 15th, 2020

Oral/Poster/Symposium Abstract Submission Deadline: Extended to June 15th, 2020

For more information please visit the [website](#).

(NEW) [Potential impact of family history-based screening guidelines on the detection of early-onset colorectal cancer](#)

(NEW) [National Minority Health Month Spotlight: PACHE Researcher Ming-Chin Yeh, PhD, Expanding His Nutrition Research to Study and](#)

Blunt Cancer Disparities

(NEW) [National Minority Health Month Spotlight: Patricio Meneses, PhD, Moves Through the CURE Pipeline to Research Independence](#)

(NEW) [National Minority Health Month Spotlight: iCURE Scholar Sheryse Taylor, PhD, Examining Immune Differences in Disparities and Lung Cancer: Finding Your Research Potential](#)

[American Society for Radiation Oncology \(ASTRO\) seeks applications for 2020 Survivor Circle Grants and Award](#)

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



(NEW) The National Research Mentoring Network (NRMN) was established by the National Institutes of Health to promote diversity in the biomedical sciences. Mentorship is a key component of career advancement, professional development, and establishing an inclusive community.

Take advantage of this time indoors and use it to maintain your forward trajectory by engaging in a mentoring connection. MyMentor is MyNRMN's one-on-one guided virtual mentoring feature which provides an evidence-based curriculum to help you feel comfortable in a virtual capacity as well as promote independence, self-efficacy, and confidence in your education and/or career path.

For more information and to join NRMN, please visit the [website](#).

 NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE

www.cancer.gov

NCI CRCHD Professional Development Workshop and Mock Review

SAVE THE DATE

June 8–9, 2020

Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center

The National Cancer Institute (NCI) Center to Reduce Cancer Health Disparities (CRCHD) will host its annual 2020 Professional Development Workshop and Mock Review (PDW & MR) on Monday, June 8, and Tuesday, June 9, 2020. The 2020 PDW & MR will be held at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center in Rockville, Maryland.

The purpose of the PDW & MR is to share information and experiences with recipients of CRCHD training awards and to assist with career development and advancement in cancer and cancer health disparities research.

CRCHD-supported graduate students, postdocs, and early-career investigators are strongly encouraged to attend. As a reminder, K awardees are required to attend the PDW & MR at least two times during the

duration of their award.

For questions regarding the Program, please contact CRCHD Program Directors Dr. John Ojeifo, ojeifojo@mail.nih.gov, or Dr. Jessica Calzola, Jessica.calzola@nih.gov.

AWARDS - SCHOLARSHIPS - INTERNSHIPS



AACR Educational Workshops and Professional Development Opportunities

The American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) is the oldest and largest scientific organization in the world focused on every aspect of high-quality, innovative cancer research. Committed to building and training a diverse cancer research workforce, the AACR invests in the training of the next generation of cancer researchers and early-career investigators by offering the following Educational Workshops in 2020.

Integrative Molecular Epidemiology Workshop: Bridging Cancer Biology and Precision Medicine (Boston, MA) *

Molecular epidemiologists, geneticists, statisticians, bioinformaticians, molecular biologists, physician-scientists, and others who have completed basic coursework in epidemiology will be trained in the integration of biology and epidemiology in studies of cancer etiology and disease outcome.

Application deadline: Friday, May 8th, 2020

For more information please click [here](#) or contact Shakira Nelson at shakira.nelson@aacr.org

Translational Cancer Research for Basic Scientists Workshop (Boston, MA)

Basic scientists at the pre- or postdoctoral level and early-career scientists will gain an in-depth understanding of translational research, enabling the adaptation of their research for maximum clinical impact and transition into translational cancer medicine.

Application deadline: Thursday, May 7, 2020

For more information please click [here](#) or contact Lyngine Calizo at lyngine.calizo@aacr.org

DEBUT

Design by Biomedical Undergraduate Teams (DEBUT) Challenge

The National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB) and VentureWell are challenging undergraduate student teams to develop technology solutions to unmet needs in any area of healthcare. Two NIH partners, NIH Office of AIDS Research and the National Institute of Minority and Health Disparities, are providing a prize each for 1.) technologies for HIV/AIDS prevention and/or care, and 2.) technologies for underrepresented populations and/or for low-resource settings.

Applications will be accepted through June 1, 2020, 11:59 PM EDT.

For more information please visit the [website](#).

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

[Post-Doctoral Fellow](#), University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center

[Research Scientist](#), Center for Health Outcomes and Population Equity (HOPE), Utah Huntsman Cancer Institute

[Faculty Position](#), Social and Behavioral Determinants of Health, Department of Public Health and Community Health, Wayne State University

[Post-Doctoral Fellow](#), Division of Health Equities, Beckman Research Institute, City of Hope Medical Center

[Faculty Member](#), Department of Health Behavior and Policy, Virginia Commonwealth University

[Faculty Member](#), Department of Health Outcomes & Behavior, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute

[Health Economist](#), Healthcare Assessment Research Branch, National Cancer Institute

[Medical Officer](#), Health Systems and Interventions Research Branch, National Cancer Institute

[USAJOBS - Various Positions](#),
Varying locations, Domestic & International

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

(NEW) [Funding Opportunity Announcement: Research Supplements to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research \(Admin Supp - Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#) | Application dates vary

(NEW) [Funding Opportunity Announcement: Mechanisms and Consequences of Sleep Disparities in the U.S. \(R01 - Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#) | Applications are due July 14, 2020; July 14, 2021; July 14, 2022

[Funding Opportunity Announcement: Basic Research in Cancer Health Disparities \(R01 and R21\)](#) | Applications are due June 19, 2020; November 19, 2020

[Funding Opportunity Announcement: Research to Reduce Morbidity and Improve Care for Pediatric, and Adolescent and Young Adult \(AYA\) Cancer Survivors \(R01 and R21 - Clinical Trial Optional\)](#) | First available due date - June 30, 2020 | *Pre-Application Webinar - May 12, 2020*

[Notice of Special Interest \(NOSI\): Availability of Administrative Supplements for Research in Geographically Underserved Areas](#) | First available due date - May 15, 2020

[Notice of Special Interest \(NOSI\): Administrative Supplements for Development of Risk-Stratified Cancer Survivorship Care Algorithms](#) | First available due date - May 15, 2020

[Notice of Special Interest: Administrative Supplement Opportunity to](#)



NIMHD

NIMHD Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant Program (R21 - Clinical Trial Optional)

NIMHD invites applications to support short-term exploratory or developmental research projects that have the potential to break new ground in the fields of minority health and/or health disparities or extend previous discoveries toward new directions or applications that can directly contribute to improving minority health and/or reducing health disparities in the U.S.

Open Date (Earliest Submission Date): May 16, 2020
For more information please visit the [website](#).

[Research Career Development Awards \(K-Series\)](#) - National Institutes of Health (NIH). **Application deadlines vary**

[NIH Loan Repayment Programs \(LRPs\)](#). **Application deadlines vary**

Administrative Supplements to Support Cancer Disparity Collaborative Research | Applications are due February 10, 2020 and September 10, 2020 | [PA-18-842](#)

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](#)

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.

(NEW) NIGMS Institutional Development Award (IDeA)

The Institutional Development Award (IDeA) is a congressionally mandated program that builds research capacity in states that historically have had low levels of NIH funding. It supports competitive basic, clinical, and translational research, faculty development, and infrastructure improvements. The program aims to strengthen an institution's ability to support biomedical research, enhance the competitiveness of investigators in securing research funding, and enable clinical and translational research that addresses the needs of medically underserved communities.

IDeA-eligible states include: **Alaska, Arkansas, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Vermont, West Virginia, Wyoming, and Puerto Rico.**

The IDeA program has five main components:

[Centers of Biomedical Research Excellence \(COBRE\)](#)

The Centers of Biomedical Research Excellence (COBRE) program supports thematic, multidisciplinary research centers that strengthen institutional biomedical research capacity.

[IDeA Networks of Biomedical Research Excellence \(INBRE\)](#)

The IDeA Networks of Biomedical Research Excellence (INBRE) program supports a statewide biomedical research development network in each IDeA-eligible state that partners research-intensive institutions with primarily undergraduate institutions.

[IDeA Program Infrastructure for Clinical and Translational Research \(IDeA-CTR\)](#)

The IDeA Program Infrastructure for Clinical and Translational Research (IDeA-CTR) program supports clinical and translational research through the IDeA-states network by developing research infrastructure and human resources, enhancing an investigator's ability to develop a competitive research program, and increasing collaborative research activities that target health conditions prevalent in the medically underserved and rural communities.

[IDeA Co-funding](#)

IDeA Co-funding supports R01 and R15 applications from investigators in IDeA-eligible states assigned to any NIH institute or Center (IC) that received meritorious score during peer review but fell beyond the pay lines of the IC's submitted to. NIH ICs select and submit eligible applications to NIGMS for consideration for IDeA Co-funding support.

[STTR Regional Technology Transfer Accelerator Hubs for IDeA States](#)

The NIGMS SBIR/STTR program and the Division for Research Capacity Building support the commercialization of innovative technologies and methodologies developed in IDeA states through Regional Technology Transfer Accelerator Hubs. The accelerator hubs act as regional consortia to provide infrastructure and build an entrepreneurial culture at IDeA institutions within each region.

For more information about the IDeA program, contact [Dr. Ming Lei](#).

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: [PAR-19-342](#).

NCI's Research Interests to Improve Interprofessional Teamwork and Coordination During Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment

This [NOSI](#) 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:

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

BEST PRACTICES & RESOURCES

Introducing eMENTORING



Given the break-neck speed of technical advancements, there's no doubt that Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) curriculums are the foundation for the future. In fact, 80% of future U.S. professions will require STEM expertise.

The Problem

But U.S. children—especially girls and minorities—are being left behind when it comes to studying and finding success in the world of STEM.

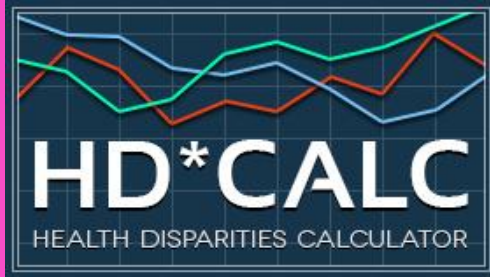
Mentoring: Pros and Cons

Adults who mentor school-age children has proven to be one of the most valuable and effective development opportunities available in any environment—academic, professional, and even personal. And adults in STEM-based professions who can share real-life experiences with at-risk children can have a drastic effect on increasing a child's interest in pursuing a STEM-based educational path. Historically, however, mentoring comes with numerous logistical challenges such as cost, travel, coordination, and time. This has led to a decrease in resources willing to provide support at the same time there has been a drastic increase in the need for help.

The Solution: eMentoring

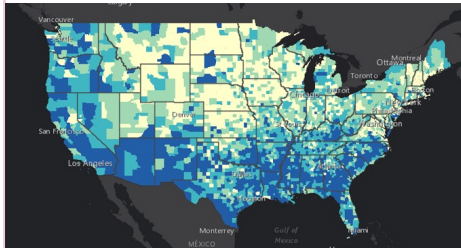
e-Mentoring is an effective and efficient solution which eliminates the obstacles that were previously faced. e-Mentoring pairs students in under-resourced areas with a volunteer using web-based technology so neither party is constrained by time, travel, expense, and coordination. They share STEM-based projects or reading assignments, communicate online via a secure platform, and exchange ideas, feedback, and support.

To learn more about e-Mentoring, download this [free e-book](#) that highlights some vital stats around the need for this important program and see how easy it is to get involved.



The Health Disparities Calculator (HD*Calc) is statistical software designed to generate multiple summary measures to evaluate and monitor health disparities (HD). HD*Calc was created as an extension of SEER*Stat that allows the user to import SEER data or other population-based health data, such as National Health Survey sample data from the National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) or the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), and calculate any of eleven disparity measures.

To download the new Health Disparities Calculator 2.0, please visit the following [website](#).



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 [here](#).

- (NEW) [The Diversity–Innovation Paradox in Science](#)
- (NEW) [Differences in Stage of Cancer at Diagnosis, Treatment, and Survival by Race and Ethnicity Among Leading Cancer Types](#)
- (NEW) [2020 AACR Annual Report](#)
- [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 - [NIH Reporter](#)
- [Cancer Health Disparities Definitions](#) - NCI
- [Public Health Employment Connection](#) - Updated Job Opportunities Nationwide
- [Jobs @ NIH](#) - Explore jobs and training opportunities

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Cancer Training at NCI

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