

## Center for Health Equity Transformation

*"The Center for Health Equity Transformation (CHET), Lexington Kentucky, is located on the original homeland of diverse Native peoples who arrived over 10,000 years ago. The most recent among them were the Shawnee. Today, Kentucky is still home to over 25,000 Native people representing scores of tribal groups. CHET recognizes the injustices Native peoples have endured. Through this statement, we hope to begin the long process of healing."*

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## CHET's Weekly Communication Digest

### CHET Faculty Awarded New Funding

CHET faculty Drs. Carolyn Lauckner and Laurie McLouth were recently awarded an R21 grant from the National Cancer Institute (1R21CA261844-01) to pilot an intervention to reduce alcohol consumption in rural-dwelling adolescent and young adult (AYA) cancer survivors. The study, "Tracking and Reducing Alcohol Consumption for Adolescent and Young Adult Survivors of Cancer," will have two parts—first, adapting and refining the Tracking and Reducing Alcohol Consumption (TRAC) mobile health intervention for rural posttreatment AYAs, and second, testing the feasibility and acceptability of the adapted intervention through a randomized controlled trial.



While interventions exist to address physical activity, nutrition, sleep, and mood in AYA cancer survivors, no known interventions have addressed rural AYA survivor alcohol use despite the high prevalence of risky alcohol use among this population. Leveraging the high degree of digital literacy of AYAs, the TRAC mobile health intervention will address barriers to accessing substance use counseling that are common in rural areas. At the end of this study, the feasibility data gathered will inform a definitive randomized controlled trial to test the efficacy of the intervention.

Congratulations Dr. Lauckner and Dr. McLouth!

### CHET is Hiring!

We are delighted to announce our next round of opportunities for stellar candidates to join our collaborative and transformative research and training environment. Please share this announcement with appropriate center/departmental listservs and/or relevant individuals.

#### **Associate or Full Professor, Tenure Track Regular Title Series, University of Kentucky's Center for Health Equity Transformation**

We are seeking a senior (Associate or Full Professor) research-focused faculty member for a tenured or tenure track, Regular Title Series, full time (12 month) position in the Center

for Health Equity Transformation (CHET) in the College of Medicine at the University of Kentucky. We seek a health equity research leader with a dynamic, productive research agenda that aims to eliminate inequities in cancer, cardiovascular disease, dementia and other related neurological conditions, diabetes and obesity, substance use, or other health conditions. CHET is a transdisciplinary research and training center focused on developing the most innovative and impactful research and training portfolio. This position is part of a university--wide interdisciplinary cluster hire in health equity.

The ideal candidate will have a focus on rural, racial/ethnic, and other populations experiencing health inequities; leadership and administrative experience; expertise in research mentorship, and capacity to contribute to a vibrant environment of scholars from the behavioral sciences, public health, social sciences, communication, health services research, biomedical informatics, health sciences (nursing, medicine, nutrition, etc.), and others. Special emphasis is placed on intervention, dissemination, and implementation scientists with an NIH-funded research portfolio.

Applicants are welcome to apply on the UK Jobs website under requisition FE02741 at <https://ukjobs.uky.edu/postings/353219>.

Application review begins **October 15, 2021** and will continue until the position is filled.



## LATINX HERITAGE MONTH 2021

### Latinx Heritage Month Events

#### **The LGBTQ Latino: Identity & Gender Expression in Latin America**

University of Kentucky Alpha Omicron Chapter of Theta Nu Xi Multicultural Sorority, Incorporated, Latino Student Union and College of Social Work

October 13, 2021

6:00 p.m.

Jacobs Science Building 231

#### **COVID-19 and the LHS (Latino/Latina/Latinx, Hispanic or of Spanish Origin +) Communities**

University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center

October 14, 2021

5:00 - 6:00pm

Register [here](#)

#### **Festival Latino de Lexington/Lexington Latino Festival**

University of Kentucky MLK Center and the Latino Student Union

October 15, 2021

5:30pm

Downtown Lexington

### Collaboration Column

This weekly column provides space for any of our CHET affiliates to seek out involvement of others. We request that contributions be no more than 3 sentences and include contact information.

If considered appropriate, contributions sent to [chet@uky.edu](mailto:chet@uky.edu) by Thursday will be included in CHET's Friday digest. Contributions will be run twice, unless requested otherwise.

For more information, please contact the Communication Subcommittee via [chet@uky.edu](mailto:chet@uky.edu)

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## **Biostatistics and Research Design Core**

To request a consultation with the CHET Biostatistics and Research Design Core, please click the following link: [https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_9GlfBA9n9aPOFlb](https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9GlfBA9n9aPOFlb)

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## **CHET Student and Trainee Listserv**

Please encourage your students and trainees to join our listserv here: [bit.ly/joinchet](https://bit.ly/joinchet)