



"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 Call for GRA Applications

Application window: January 10 - March 1, 2022

The Center for Health Equity Transformation (CHET, <https://chet.med.uky.edu/>) welcomes applications for a graduate research assistantship focused on innovative, transdisciplinary and impactful health equity research.



This is a full-time graduate research assistantship with a competitive stipend and tuition. The start-date is negotiable, and the assistantship may be renewable for multiple years. Members of underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply.

You can learn more about this opportunity on our website: <https://chet.med.uky.edu/chet-call-ra-applications>

Applications are due by **March 1, 2022**

The Evolution of the Health Equity Movement: Black History Month Panel

Cancer History Project
February 23, 2022
7:00pm

Registration: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-evolution-of-the-health-equity-movement-black-history-month-panel-tickets-267582144397>

Join The Cancer Letter and the Cancer History Project in celebrating Black History Month with a panel discussion: The evolution of the health equity movement

CANCER HISTORY PROJECT PRESENTS

The evolution of the health equity movement: Black History Month panel

Feb. 23 | 7 PM, EST



Robert Winn, MD



Otis Brawley, MD



Edith Mitchell, MD



John Stewart, MD, MBA

SPARK Administrative Position

CHET is seeking part-time administrative support for the [Students Participating as Ambassadors for Research in Kentucky \(SPARK\) Program](#), an undergraduate health equity research training program for underrepresented students.

We are seeking a detail-oriented, organized, and ambitious individual to provide administrative assistance for the SPARK Program. Duties will involve administrative coordination of the program including scheduling, payment coordination, event planning, and other administrative duties in support of the program. Applicant interest in health equity or social justice is welcomed.

This is a paid position for 10 hours per week.

For more information, please contact Ariel Arthur (ariel.arthur@uky.edu).

Addressing Rural Health Needs: COVID-19, Equity and Access to Care

February 28, 2022

3:00-4:00pm

Registration: <https://nihcm.org/events/rural-health-access-to-care-equity-and-covid19>

The National Institute for Health Care Management (NIHCM) Foundation is hosting a webinar to hear from leaders in the field of rural health who are working to improve the health and well-being of these communities. Speakers will discuss:

- Federal health policy focused on improving access, quality, and financing for rural health care and their role in the response to COVID-19
- The pandemic's impact on health care services and steps to ensure digital health equity
- Efforts to address health disparities in rural areas, including establishing equitable COVID-19 vaccine access across Arkansas



Digital Health Symposium: Advancing Broadband Connectivity as a Social Determinant of Health

March 3, 2022

10:00am - 4:30pm

Registration: <https://www.fcc.gov/news-events/events/2022/03/digital-health-symposium-advancing-broadband-connectivity-social>

The Federal Communications Commission’s Connect2Health Task Force is hosting this virtual event which will gather public and private sector thought leaders from a variety of disciplines, including telecommunications and health care, to discuss issues around recognizing broadband connectivity as a “social determinant of health.” Social determinants of health reflect the fact that health begins where we live, learn, work, and play; they are the non-medical factors (including education, health care access, income, and employment) that affect health or can serve as a predictor of one’s health status.

Participants will also explore the implications of this framework for national broadband policies, population health, and government-wide efforts to address health inequities. Achieving digital health equity through improving broadband access and adoption is an FCC priority and will be an overarching theme of this event.

Graduate Training Opportunity

The University of Kentucky Human Development Institute is leading a five year Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LEND) grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration Maternal and Child Health Bureau in partnership with the University of Louisville and Eastern Kentucky University. LEND programs share the overall mission of improving the health of infants, children and adolescents with autism and other neurodevelopmental disabilities. A major focus of LEND is to increase the number of professionals with the knowledge and skills to provide evidence-based screening and diagnosis, as well as supports to individuals and families.

We are accepting applications across disciplines for the 2022 – 2023 academic year. A total of nine trainees will be accepted in the LEND traineeship, which includes leadership coursework and a rich array of clinical and community placements each semester.

Trainees commit to 15 hours of LEND activities each week.

1. Complete LEND [online application](https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5vAMf2dLWxdaRV4) by **March 4**
(available: https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5vAMf2dLWxdaRV4)
2. Applications will be reviewed and interviews scheduled with finalists
3. 2022 – 2023 trainees notified by April 15. A total of nine selected trainees receive a nine month fellowship.

Trainees must be one of the following:

- enrolled in a graduate or post-graduate training program in a LEND discipline
- a family member of an individual with an intellectual/developmental disability
- an individual with an intellectual or developmental disability

Visit hdi.uky.edu/kylend to learn more and to apply online. Contact the Kentucky LEND Project Director caroline.gooden@uky.edu with any questions, or to schedule an informational session for your department and interested students!

Morehouse Emerging Scholars Program

Deadline: March 4, 2022

Application: https://msm.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3V1YJMbGCJsUMei

The National African American Child and Family Research Center at Morehouse School of Medicine is seeking applicants to participate in a comprehensive one-year research internship designed to increase the knowledge and skills of student trainees interested in research around economic and social mobility, early childhood education, childcare, fatherhood, or social determinants of health for African American children and families.

Program Eligibility

- Currently enrolled in Undergraduate or graduate program
- Majoring in social work, public administration, public health, education, or related fields
- Current junior, senior, or graduate student
- Cumulative GPA of 2.9 or higher
- US Citizen or Permanent Resident currently residing in the U.S.

*Black/African American males are strongly encouraged to apply

NATIONAL AFRICAN AMERICAN CHILD & FAMILY RESEARCH CENTER

EMERGING SCHOLARS PROGRAM

APPLY TODAY

A one-year-long research internship designed to increase knowledge and skills of students interested in community-based participatory research around economic/social mobility, early childhood education, childcare, fatherhood, or social determinants of health for African American children and families.

SCHOLARS WILL RECEIVE:

- Personalized cross-disciplinary training to strengthen their capacity to design and implement research that impacts African American children and families.
- Personalized mentoring from experienced researchers who will create an Individual Development Plan (IDP) for success.
- Opportunity to contribute to the evidence-base through peer-reviewed manuscripts and scientific presentations.
- \$20,000 stipend and additional financial support for professional development and travel to present research findings.

ISTAART Ambassador Program

Deadline: March 14, 2022

Application: <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6729843/2022-ISTAART-Ambassador-Program-Application>

Faculty Recommendation Form: <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6729908/2022-ISTAART-Ambassador-Program-Faculty-Recommendation-Form>

The Alzheimer's Association International Society to Advance Alzheimer's Research and Treatment (ISTAART) is excited to announce the launch of the new **ISTAART Ambassador Program**. The program provides students and early postdocs with year-round networking and volunteer opportunities. Ambassadors gain valuable experience volunteering at the Alzheimer's Association International Conference® (AAIC) (July 31-August 4) and other in-person or virtual scientific meetings, and also build awareness of ISTAART within their region. Upon completion of the ISTAART Ambassador Program, Ambassadors join a network of alumni for continued collaborations.

Applicants must be a current student (includes undergraduate, graduate and PhD students) or postdoctoral researcher (within one year of graduation by March 2022).

The Alzheimer's Association International Society to Advance Alzheimer's Research and Treatment (ISTAART) convenes the global Alzheimer's and dementia science community. Members share knowledge, fuel collaboration and advance research to find more effective

AARP Community Challenge Grant Program

Deadline: March 22, 2022, 5:00pm E.T.

Application: www.AARP.org/CommunityChallenge

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) has opened the Community Challenge grant program for the 6th year. This program funds quick-action projects to make communities more livable and jump-start long-term change. Past projects have demonstrated an ability to help grantees garner additional funds or support from public and private funders, encourage replication and overcome local policy barriers, and receive greater overall awareness and engagement.

AARP will prioritize projects that support residents age 50 and over, are inclusive, address disparities, directly engage volunteers and aim to achieve one or more of the following (with a focus on all residents, especially people age 50 and older):

- Creating vibrant public places;
- Delivering a range of transportation and mobility options;
- Supporting a range of housing options;
- Ensuring a focus on diversity, equity and inclusion;
- Increasing civic engagement;
- Supporting communities' efforts to build engagement and leverage funding available under new federal programs; and
- Other community improvements.

Implicit Bias in Black Women's Health Outcomes

U.S. Department of Labor Women's Bureau

February 23, 2022

1:00-2:30pm

Registration: <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/wb/webinars>

Historically, the American healthcare system has underserved the Black community, from the implementation of Jim Crow policies that restricted access to good quality facilities to subpar treatment at the hands of providers. Join our panel of health researchers and practitioners to discuss the implicit, explicit, and institutional biases that adversely impact Black women's health outcomes and may in the long-term affect their workforce participation.

Upcoming Events

The State of Black History at UK: Race and Sports

February 22, 2022

5:30pm

Registration: <https://cibs.as.uky.edu/state-black-history-uk-race-and-sports>

Sister Circle 2022 "EmpowHer" Conference

February 24-25, 2022

More information: <https://www.uky.edu/cgd/sister-circle-2022>

Dr. Moya Bailey in Conversation

March 10, 2022

7:00-8:00pm

Keynote topic: Black Women's Digital Resistances

Zoom Registration:

https://uky.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VCwrlGwXRAyoT_cTraMSZg

15th Annual Graduate Student Regional Research Conference

March 24-25, 2022

University of Louisville

Registration: <https://louisville.edu/graduate/gsc/research-conference>

UNITE Inaugural Research Event

May 4, 2022

More information: <https://www.research.uky.edu/unite-research-priority-area/unite-news-events>

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 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

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

CHET Student and Trainee Listserv

Please encourage your students and trainees to join our listserv here: bit.ly/joinchet