



"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-CCTS Health Equity Pilot: LOI Due April 1, 2022

The Center for Health Equity Transformation (CHET) is pleased to issue our 3rd annual call for health equity-focused pilot grants. In collaboration with the Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS), we are accepting letters of intent from CHET core faculty and affiliates through **April 1, 2022**.

This collaborative pilot between the UK CCTS and CHET will fund two awards for up to **\$25,000** each in total direct costs.

For more information visit: <https://chet.med.uky.edu/chet-pilot-grants>

Call for Pilot Grant Applications

Topical Focus

The purpose of this funding mechanism is to support meritorious translational projects which focus on identifying, reducing and/or eliminating health disparities and promoting health equity. All applications must propose a study which examines or proposes to intervene in achieving health equity for a vulnerable population.

Grant Specifications

- Maximum \$25,000
- Award period is 12 months
- 2 proposals may be funded



Letter of Intent Deadline:
April 1, 2022

For more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/3ycx6y7e>

The 17th Annual Center for Clinical and Translational Science Spring Conference: Climate and Health

April 5, 2022

8:00am - 5:00pm

Gatton Student Center

Registration: <https://www.ccts.uky.edu/2022-spring-conference-climate-health>

CHET to Cosponsor Keynote Address by Dr. Robert Bullard, the "Father of Environmental Justice"

CHET is please to cosponsor the keynote address of the 17th Annual Center for Clinical and Translational Science Spring Conference: Climate and Health. This year's conference will take place in person and will feature Dr. Robert D. Bullard, the "Father of Environmental Justice."

Dr. Bullard is the Director of the Bullard Center for Environmental and Climate Justice and a Distinguished Professor of Urban Planning and Environmental Policy at Texas Southern University.



17th ANNUAL CCTS SPRING CONFERENCE

CLIMATE AND HEALTH

APRIL 5, 2022 8 AM - 5 PM | GATTON STUDENT CENTER (IN PERSON)

 Center for Clinical and Translational Science



2022 KEYNOTE SPEAKER

DR. ROBERT BULLARD

Distinguished Professor

Leland School of Public Affairs, Texas Southern University

**PANEL DISCUSSIONS | CCTS RECOGNITION AWARDS
VON ALLMEN POSTER PITCH COMPETITION LIVE!
COLLEGE/CENTER/GROUP RESEARCH DAY ACTIVITIES**

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KEYNOTE CO-SPONSORS: Appalachian Center & Appalachian Studies, Center for Clinical and Translational Science, Center for the Environment, Center for Health Equity Transformation, College of Nursing, College of Public Health, Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Kentucky Geological Survey, Kentucky Water Resources Research Institute, Tracy Farmer Institute for Sustainability & Environment, UK-CARES, UK Superfund Research Center, UNITE RPA



CLIMATE AND HEALTH

17TH ANNUAL CCTS SPRING CONFERENCE

APRIL 5, 2022 | GATTON STUDENT CENTER | WORSHAM CINEMA



College of Dentistry Keynote | 12:30-2 pm

Social and Commercial Determinants of Health

SCOTT L. TOMAR, DMD, MPH, DrPH

Dentistry Oral Presentations | 2-3 pm

Dental Home Entryway During a Pandemic

Susan S. Bishop, DMD, MHA

Lessons Learned From a 4-year Oral Cancer

Project in East Kentucky and Next Steps

Pam Stein VanArsdall DMD, MPH

Utilizing KASPER to Identify Dental

Opioid Prescription Patterns

Marcia Rojas Ramirez, DDS

Social Vulnerability, Community

Resilience and Oral Health

Richard C. Ingram, DrPH

CE will be provided for keynote
and oral presentations.

Dentistry Poster Session | 3-5 pm

Register by March 25 at www.ccts.uky.edu/2022-spring-conference-climate-health

 Center for Clinical and
Translational Science

 University of
Kentucky
College of Dentistry

CCTS Conference High School Poster Presentation

April 5, 2022

12:00pm

Gatton Student Center

This year, students from the [Fredrick Douglass Biomedical Sciences Pathway](#) from Fredrick Douglass High School in Lexington, Kentucky will be in attendance. This group will consist of 55 high school juniors, 60% of whom represent traditionally underserved populations. Of these 55 students, 20 will be presenting posters at 12:00 pm during the conference in the Gatton Student Center Grand Ballroom.

At FDHS BMS Pathway, students play the roles of over 50 different biomedical professionals as they investigate and study the concepts of human medicine, physiology, genetics, microbiology, and public health. In the Project Lead the Way BMS Program, students engage in activities like investigating the death of a fictional person or dissecting a sheep's heart, learning content in the context of real-world cases. They examine the structures and interactions of human body systems and explore the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of disease. Students work collaboratively to understand and design solutions to the most pressing health challenges. The future of biomedical sciences comes alive in this rigorous and relevant four-course nationally-recognized sequence that prepares students to continue their studies through post-secondary education and careers.

"Health For All Y'all" Health Equity Panel

College of Public Health

April 7, 2022

6:00-7:30pm

Gatton Student Center, Room 330A-B

Registration: https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_egpkjON7adERSS2

For National Public Health Week, the University of Kentucky's College of Public Health is excited to announce a stellar group of dynamic speakers for the "Health For All Y'All" Health Equity Panel.

Racism, stigma, and discrimination are setbacks to our health and create conditions that unfairly disadvantage certain communities while unfairly advancing others. This panel of public health leaders will discuss health equity and social determinants of health through a variety of lenses and will shed light on what can be done to improve the health of all Kentuckians.

The community along with all UK students, faculty, and staff are invited to this event. For a complete list of events for Public Health Week on campus, visit cph.uky.edu/NPHW.

HEALTH FOR ALL Y'ALL HEALTH EQUITY PANEL



VIVIAN
LASLEY-BIBBS



DR. MEREDITH
DUNCAN



DR. SARAH
MARKS



ARIEL
ARTHUR

THURSDAY, APRIL 7 | 6PM | GATTON SC 330A-B



LGBTQ+ Parent Families: Underscoring Strengths in Well-Being to Promote Health Equity

April 7, 2022

11:00am-12:00pm

Zoom: <https://uky.zoom.us/j/87619641444>



As part of CHET's speaker series and in observance of National Minority Health Month in April:

Join CHET for a Research Talk

LGBTQ+ Parent Families: Underscoring Strengths in Well-Being to Promote Health Equity



Rachel H. Farr, PhD, MS

Associate Professor
Psychology Department
Core Faculty, Center for Health Equity Transformation (CHET)

WHEN: April 7, 2022 11:00am - 12:00am

ZOOM: <https://uky.zoom.us/j/87619641444>

Dr. Farr's research in developmental psychology focuses on diverse families, particularly those parented by LGBTQ+ adults and formed through adoption. For over 14 years, she has conducted a large longitudinal study about how parental sexual orientation relates to child, parent, and family outcomes among diverse adoptive families across the U.S. Funded by the William T. Grant Foundation, Dr. Farr is currently studying racially, socioeconomically, and geographically diverse adolescents with LGBTQ+ parents.



Congratulations to CHET manager, Ariel Arthur!

Ariel was recently awarded the College of Medicine Diversity and Inclusion Pillar Award.

She was also accepted into the Public Health Disparities Geocoding Project Training 2.0.

The Public Health Disparities Geocoding Project, based at the Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health (Boston, MA), will host virtual trainings on why & how to analyze population health and health inequities in relation to census tract, county, and other georeferenced societal and environmental data.

Behavioral Science Awards White Coats for Black Lives Fellowships

Congratulations to University of Kentucky College of Medicine students Rashmi Bharadwaj, Maya Cleveland, Lillian Maxwell, Darayon Moore and Maggie Stull who were awarded Department of Behavioral Science White Coats for Black Lives Fellowships.



The fellowship was developed because the Department of Behavioral Science recognized political and social inequalities that have not only created significant health disparities among Black Americans but have led to health care inequalities experienced by Black people due to historical explicit bias and contemporary implicit bias across the health care system. It is hoped that the experience will enhance medical school training, increase the understanding of how behavioral science research can help to address health disparities and enable students to be better prepared to care for underserved Black patient populations.

You can read more here: <https://uknow.uky.edu/research/behavioral-science-awards-white-coats-black-lives-fellowships>

Upcoming Events

Kentucky Conference on Health Communication: Communication Strategies to Promote Comprehensive Well-being

April 7-9, 2022

Hyatt Regency, Lexington, KY

Registration: <https://comm.uky.edu/kchc/2022/register>

UNITE Research Showcase

May 4, 2022

8:00-4:00pm

Gatton Student Center

Registration: https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cNip9RWBW7rz1To

Poster Submissions: https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_enVVxTPGz1Q1KmO

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

Physician Research Study Opportunity

You are invited to participate in a research study entitled "[Physician Perspectives on Occupational Climate and Strategies to Create and Sustain a Diverse Physician Workforce](#)." This study is being conducted by Thailandria Daniels, a second-year medical student at the University of Kentucky College of Medicine, under the mentorship of Dr. Laurie McLouth and Dr. Jagriti Chadha to fulfill a requirement for the White Coats for Black Lives Fellowship.

The UK College of Medicine Department of Behavioral Science's White Coats for Black Lives Fellowship serves to address the health, political, and social disparities affecting Blacks in the United States. The students must develop and complete a research project within an 18-month period. Ms. Daniel's project description is listed below.

The purpose of this study is to elicit physician perspectives regarding occupational wellness, DEI strategies regarding recruitment and retention of minority physicians, and how COVID-19 and social unrest have impacted the physician workforce at the University of Kentucky. **Participation entails completing a brief, anonymous survey (~10-15 minutes). You can complete the survey on your phone or computer.**

You may open the survey in your web browser by clicking the link below:

[Study Information Sheet: "Physician Perspectives on Occupational Climate and Strategies to Create and Sustain a Diverse Physician Workforce"](#)

For questions please contact:

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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

CHET Student and Trainee Listserv

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