



"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 Director Honored as University Research Professor

The University Research Professorship Awards honor faculty members who have demonstrated excellence that addresses scientific, social, cultural and economic challenges in our region and around the world. Each University Research Professor, nominated based on criteria set by college leadership, receives a one-year award of

\$10,000.

"I am honored to be selected as a University Research Professor," Schoenberg said. "At a university where many scholars are engaged in such important work, I feel humbled and grateful to be recognized as making a contribution."

Schoenberg is a medical anthropologist, leading others with a community-based focus over the past 25 years with the University of Kentucky. Schoenberg's research focuses on developing and adapting evidence-based health promotion interventions to ensure cultural compatibility within specific community settings.

You can read more about Dr. Schoenberg's work [here](#). Congratulations Dr. Schoenberg!

CHET Awardees Highlighted

Congratulations to Christal L. Badour, Ph.D., Jacqueline Leachman, Ph.D., and Shemeka Thorpe, Ph.D., who were recognized as CHET Equity Changemakers. Dr. Badour earned the Faculty Equity Changemaker Award, and Drs. Leachman and Thorpe earned the Equity Changemaker Award

for Graduate Students, Professional Students, and Postdoctoral Scholars.

The purpose of these awards is to recognize the efforts of University of Kentucky faculty, graduate students, professional students, and postdoctoral scholars in advancing health equity through research and training. Annual awards are made to individuals whose research seeks to understand health disparities and inequities and whose mentorship has contributed to the next generation of health equity scholars. You can read more about the awardees [here](#).



Congratulations Dr. Badour, Dr. Leachman, and Dr. Thorpe!

Oxford University Press Social Determinants of Health Collection

The Oxford University Press has released a new section of its Health Equity collection focused on social determinants of health, which includes free excerpts and articles from its Medicine & Health products. According to the World Health Organization, social determinants of health (SDH or SDOH) are non-medical factors affecting health outcomes that can be more significant than individual health care or lifestyle choices in influencing health.

Oxford University Press's books, journals, and online resources provide a wealth of research on the factors contributing to global health inequity. The content selected for this collection has been organized into SDOH categories used by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Many articles could fit in more than one section, so we encourage you to explore the full collection.

All content will be made freely available to read and share through to August 31, 2022. You can access the collection [here](#).

Collaboration Column

UK HealthCare Language Services Director, Sarah Hesler, is seeking potential collaborators to develop and implement a grant project on addressing health disparities in patients with limited English proficiency (LEP) through access and utilization of language services. The Office of Minority Health (OMH) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has released the following funding opportunity announcement (FOA) for which applications are now being accepted:

- Announcement Number: MP-CPI-22-005
- Opportunity Title: Promoting Equitable Access to Language Services in Health and Human Services
- Award Amount: \$300,000 to \$375,000
- Estimated Total: \$3,000,000
- Application Due Date: July 15, 2022 by 6:00 p.m. ET

The initiative will support the implementation of policies, tools, resources, training, and practices that have been researched and have demonstrated effectiveness in informing individuals of limited English proficiency (LEP) of their rights to language services across the nation. OMH expects recipients/awardees to address health disparities among racial and ethnic minority populations and to demonstrate the impact of those efforts on

outcomes and the overarching goal of advancing health equity.

If you are interested in collaborating with Sarah Hesler please email her at sarah.hesler@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

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