Health Equity Research Training Fellowship

The Cornell Center for Health Equity (CCHeq) is delighted to announce the expansion of the Weill Cornell Health Services Research Training Program to include a Health Equity Research Training Fellowship funded through our new HRSA sponsored Diversity Center of Excellence (COE)

Cornell Center for Health Equity
Founded in 2018, the Center is led by Dr. Monika Safford and Dr. Avery August. The CCHeq responds directly to community priorities by focusing on practical, relevant research and education topics. It brings together experts at Weill Cornell Medicine and at Cornell University’s Ithaca campus with community members to collaborate to achieve health equity. Dr. Susana Morales leads the Diversity Center of Excellence and the Center’s Education Core, and Dr. Erica Phillips-Caesar leads the Community Engagement Core.

Diversity Center of Excellence
The COE program was established in 1991 by the Bureau of Health Workforce, Health Resources Service Administration, HHS. Weill Cornell Medicine received a COE grant in 2018, and is now one of 19 currently funded COE programs. COE’s work to improve clinical education, cultural competence, and research in minority health and social determinants of health. The ultimate goal of the COE program is to strengthen our national capacity to produce a quality healthcare workforce whose diversity is representative of the U.S. population.

Fellowship Mission:
The mission of the Health Equity Research Training Fellowship is to train underrepresented minority physicians through a two-year research fellowship. The fellowship is designed for physicians who wish to develop an extramurally funded independent research program focused specifically on health equity.

Background:
This two-year fellowship will be led by Dr. Martin Shapiro and includes a mentored research training experience coupled with a weekly fellows’ seminar. Fellows will be expected to complete a rigorous curriculum in clinical epidemiology and health services research and will obtain a Masters in Sciences degree from the Weill Cornell Graduate School of Medical Sciences.

Intensive Faculty Mentorship:
Weill Cornell Medicine faculty have active research programs on health equity in the cardiovascular diseases, rheumatology, cancer, healthcare fragmentation, and complex patients, with expertise in the behavioral sciences, community-partnered interventions, primary care practice improvement, epidemiology, implementation science, and health policy.

Cornell University faculty members in the Cornell Center for Health Equity include scientists in Sociology, Communication, Nutritional Sciences, Health Policy, many of whom are also members of Center for the Study of Inequality, the Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research, and the Yan Tang Institute. Additional mentorship is available from Cornell Tech faculty.

Apply to the Fellowship:
Candidates must possess an MD degree, must have completed their residency at the time of the start of the fellowship, must be an under-represented minority (African American, Latino, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, or American Indian/Alaska Native), and must be committed to pursuing a research career. Women are encouraged to apply.

Please send the following to centerforhealthequity@med.cornell.edu by October 29, 2018

1. Personal Statement outlining your research interest, experience in or commitment to research in health equity, and career objectives
2. Curriculum Vitae