



Geographical Management of Cancer Health  
Disparities Program (GMaP) *Region 2*  
*October 2016 Newsletter*

## Geographical Management of Cancer Health Disparities Program (GMaP)

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### Introducing Our GMaP Region 2 Scholars



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**You are receiving this email as a Cancer Researcher in GMaP Region 2**

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**Greetings from the Geographical Management of Cancer Health Disparities (GMaP) Region 2 team.**

GMaP is an integrated network of 7 hubs across the United States. Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa, FL. serves as the hub for GMaP Region 2 (previously Region 3), which currently includes more than 40 partner institutions in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Missouri, Mississippi and Puerto Rico.

# WHAT DOES GMaP REGION 2 OFFER?

## Trainee/Early Career Scientists Travel and Pre - Submission Expert Grant Review Awards

- ◆ Travel scholarships for trainees/investigators to attend advanced cancer disparities trainings and/or to present their work.
- ◆ Supports peer review of grant proposals by outside experts prior to submission. Applicants should also consult with NCI CRCHD program directors.

## Cancer Health Disparities Targeted Training

- ◆ Supports cohort of 10 junior investigators for 2 day targeted career development activities at Moffitt Cancer Center intending to submit career development award.

## Collaborative Inter-institutional Research Pilot Funding

- ◆ Pilot funds to support collaborations between two or more institutions to generate feasibility data for larger research/education projects.

## Collaborative Cluster meeting Awards

- ◆ Supports meetings of clusters of investigators to fuel research collaborations.

## Regional Communications about Current Research and Training Opportunities

- ◆ Monthly E-blasts and quarterly newsletters on funding and training opportunities.

[Click to Visit our GMaP Region 2 Website](#)

**Do you need feedback from senior researchers prior to submitting a competitive grant application?**



The **Expert Grant Review** award is intended to assist New Investigators and Early Stage Investigators who are applying for funding awards with feedback from senior researchers in the region. This award supports pre-submission peer review of grant proposals by outside experts.

For more information [click](#) below:

**EXPERT GRANT REVIEW APPLICATION!**



**Planning to attend a workshop or conference to present your Cancer Health Disparities (CHD) research?**

For more information [click](#) below:

**TRAVEL AWARDS APPLICATION!**

**Are you looking for pilot funding for your Cancer health Disparities (CHD) project?**

The **pilot funding** in Cancer and Cancer Health Disparities research and training award is available to generate feasibility data for larger research/education projects between investigators from at least two or more institutions in GMaP Region 2 focused on the elimination of Cancer Health Disparities (CHD).

For more information [click](#) below:

**PILOT FUNDING AWARD APPLICATION**

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**Do you need funding to help plan your Cancer or CHD research and build your research collaborations?**

The collaborative cluster award is designed to promote the planning of activities to build inter-disciplinary, inter-institutional collaborations between at least two or more institutions in GMaP Region 2 to develop or expand research that impacts Cancer or CHD research.

For more information [click](#) below:

**COLLABORATIVE CLUSTER AWARD APPLICATION**

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## What's New in Region 2

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The “**Navigate your Way to a K**” two-day interactive workshop took place on September 23 - 24, 2016 at Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa, FL. The workshop was designed to provide guidance on preparing and/or advancing a career development ‘K’ application for early stage investigators and post-doctoral fellows who are transitioning to independent researcher in the field of cancer and/or cancer health disparities research. The workshop focused on career development grant funding mechanisms (e.g., K01/K08/K22/K23).



**GMaP Region 2 welcomes 12 new scholars from institutions throughout the region (pictured above).**

**Matthew S. Beatty, PhD** (Moffitt Cancer Center Postdoctoral Fellow), **Alicia L. Best, PhD, MPH** (USF Assistant Professor), **Sidney Bolden, PhD** (Bethune-Cookman University Assistant Professor), **Emmanuel Chavarria, PhD., MS, CHES** (Moffitt Cancer Center Postdoctoral Fellow), **Shannon M. Christy, PhD** (Moffitt Cancer Center Postdoctoral Fellow), **Ewan K. Cobran, Ph** (University of Georgia Assistant Professor), **Diana R. Hernandez, PhD** (University of Miami Postdoctoral Fellow), **Samuel T. Opoku, MBChB, PhD** (Jian-Ping Hsu College of Public Health, Georgia Southern Assistant Professor), **Desiree A. Rivers, MSPH, PhD** (Morehouse Assistant Professor), **Lynnette A. Ruiz, PhD** (Ponce Assistant Professor), **Wesley D. Sims, BS, M.Eng, PhD** (Alabama A&M/Morehouse College Graduate Research Assistant/Adjunct Professor), **Erika L. Thompson, PhD, MPH** (USF Postdoctoral Fellow)

Drs. Tiffany Carson and Levi Ross, both past K-Award recipients within Region 2, led the training workshop with topics focusing on the essential components of a K Award and tips on crafting your K Award application. Dr. Anil Wali, a program director from the NCI also presented on the importance of getting to know your NCI program directors while writing your K Award.

The workshop also included an interactive mock review session to help trainees better understand the study section process for grant reviews. Next steps include a future writing retreat, quarterly teleconferences, and development of a GMaP Region 2 trainee cohort LinkedIn group for future networking and mentorship.

We are looking forward to continuing our collaborations with our GMaP Scholars as they each continue to "Navigate" their way to a K!

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## Linking Research to the Community

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### The Community Health Educators (CHEs) Corner: Tips for Connecting Your Research to the Community

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#### Q1: Why are CHEs important to your community based research project?

- CHEs are important to community based research because they can serve as pivotal liaisons and educators between the research enterprise and community members.
- CHEs are educators who can educate, inform and supply resources to community members AND researchers related to research projects. They also tend to have rapport to the community in which they serve; which is invaluable when it comes to the receptivity of information being shared/taught.
- CHEs can also help to create and tailor research educational and recruitment materials/resources to fit the needs and educational levels of the communities in which they work.
- Establishing strong relationships with CHEs is extremely important because they are the people who are on the ground interacting, building, and repairing strong ties with community members. CHEs strive to communicate the significance of being involved in different research studies and the impact that it may have on their lives.
- CHEs also have a greater understanding of the needs and disparities of the community because they hear it firsthand by listening to the voices of the community.

#### Q2: How can I engage my CHE in my region?

- There are 3 National Outreach Network ([NON](#)) and 1 Partnerships to Advance Cancer Health Equity ([PACHE](#)) community health educators (CHEs) in the Region. Your CHEs are only a phone call or an email

away! Feel free to schedule a brief call to introduce yourself to your regional CHE (and vice versa) and discuss ways in which you can collaborate.

- Researchers can better engage CHEs by keeping them in the loop on their studies. By being aware of the different research studies, CHEs are able to provide this information to community members when we are conducting outreach.
- CHEs can also be an asset to researchers when they are designing their study by advising them on ways for the study to be feasible and acceptable to their target population, thus adding to the studies potential successes.
- Provide the CHE with materials to promote your research project and incorporate your regional CHE into conversations regarding community perspectives on educational materials/interventions and new outreach/recruitment strategies.

## CHE CONNECTION

**Click below to send an email to your CHE:**

[Khaliah Fleming, MPH, CHES](#)

Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa, FL

[Jomar Lopez, BA, CCHW](#)

Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa, FL

[Saffiyah Poole, MPH](#)

Alvin J. Siteman Cancer Center  
Washington Univ. School of Medicine

[Claudia Hardy, MPA](#)

Comprehensive Cancer Center  
University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB)

### Mark Your Calendars: Upcoming Events

**October 13-14, 2016:** [8th Annual Health Literacy Research Conference](#) in Bethesda, MD.

**October 29 - November 2, 2016:** [American Public Health Association \(APHA\) 2016 Annual Meeting](#) in Denver, CO.

**November 9-12, 2016:** [4th Biennial](#)

### WEBINARS/TALKS:

**October 13, 2016.  
2:00pm - 3:00pm (EST):**  
SHEC's Cultural Competency Resource Guide Spotlight Webinar Series: Hispanic/Latino Population. [To RSVP, Click Here](#)

**November 2, 2016.  
2:00pm-3:00pm (EST):**

[Global Prostate Cancer Disparities Conference](#) in Orlando, FL.

**November 9 - 12, 2016:** [Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students \(BRCMS\)](#) in Tampa, FL.

**November 10-11, 2016:** [Addressing Health Disparities: The Role of Translational Research](#) in Nashville, TN.

**November 14, 2016:** [Fourth Annual Celebration of Junior Investigators in Cancer Research](#) in Boston, MA.

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**National Research Mentoring Network:  
Virtual Mentoring**

Students and researchers in the biomedical, behavioral, clinical, and social sciences:

[Click here to access  
FREE virtual mentorship through NRMN!](#)

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**The Continuing Umbrella of Research Experiences  
(CURE)**

The Center to Reduce Cancer Health Disparities (CRCHD) CURE program offers unique training and career development opportunities to enhance and increase diversity in the cancer and cancer health disparities research workforce. The CURE program identifies promising candidates from high school through junior investigator levels, and provides them with a continuum of competitive funding opportunities.

For more information on the CURE program, click [here](#).

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8 Ways to Successfully Navigate NIH Peer Review and Get a Fellowship Grant. [To RSVP, Click Here](#)

**December 1, 2016.  
2:00pm-3:00pm (EST):**  
8 Ways to Successfully Navigate NIH Peer Review and Get an RO1 Grant. [To RSVP, Click Here](#)

**December 2, 2016.  
2:00pm-3:00pm (EST):**  
NIH Peer Review Briefing for Basic Research Applicants and Reviewers. [To RSVP, Click Here](#)



**Are you interested in a Diversity and Re-entry Supplement?**

NCI Diversity supplements support the research training of students, post-baccalaureate and post-masters individual, postdoctoral



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fellows, and faculty investigators who are members of an underrepresented group.

Learn more about how you can become part of the next generation of competitive investigators in cancer health disparities research by participating in the diversity and re-entry supplements!

## AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/INTERNSHIPS

**\*\*DEADLINE APPROACHING!\*\* [NCI Mentored Research Scientist Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K01\)](#)** - Research Scientist Development Award - Research & Training. **Application Deadline: October 12, 2016**

**\*\*DEADLINE APPROACHING!\*\* [NCI Mentored Clinical Scientist Research Career Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K08\)](#)** - Clinical Investigator Award (CIA). **Application Deadline: October 12, 2016**

[Research Career Development Awards \(K-Series\)](#) - National Institutes of Cancer (NIH). **Application Deadlines: Vary**

[NIH Loan Repayment Programs \(LRPs\)](#) - Supporting Scientific Discovery. **Application Deadlines: Vary**

[Society for Public Health Education \(SOPHE\) Student Member Fellowships and Awards](#). **Application Deadlines: Vary**

[Louisiana Public Health Association Scholarships](#). **Application Deadlines: Vary**

[LSU School Of Public Health Student Awards](#). **Application Deadlines: Vary**

[Summer Public Health Scholars Program \(SPHSP\)](#) at the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention in Atlanta, GA. and Columbia University Medical Center in New York City. **Application Deadlines: Vary**

[AHRQ National Research Service Award \(NRSA\) Program](#). **Application Deadlines: August 8, 2016 and December 8, 2016.**

[Emerging Global Leader Award for LMIC scientists](#). **Application Deadline: December 14, 2016**

## POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

**\*\*DEADLINE APPROACHING!\*\* American Cancer Society Postdoctoral Fellowships: [ACS Fellows Program](#). Application Deadline: October 15, 2016**

[Health Policy Leadership Fellowship Program](#) - Morehouse School of Medicine in Atlanta, GA. **Application Opens: November 1, 2016**

[Research Career Development Awards \(K-Series\)](#) - National Institutes of Health (NIH). **Application Deadlines: Vary**

[Cancer Immunology and Immunotherapy Postdoctoral Fellowship Opportunity](#): Immunology, and Molecular Genetics, Division of Surgical Oncology at University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). For more information, contact: Manuel L. Penichet, M.D., Ph.D. at Email: [penichet@mednet.ucla.edu](mailto:penichet@mednet.ucla.edu). **Application Deadline: Please Inquire Directly**

[Biobehavioral Cancer Prevention and Control Training Program](#) - University of Washington. **Application Deadlines: Vary**

[Cancer-Related Health Disparities Education and Career Development Program](#) - University of Minnesota. For more information contact: Colleen Doyle at E-mail: [phdr@umn.edu](mailto:phdr@umn.edu). **Application Deadline: Please Inquire Directly**

[Post-Doctoral Fellowship Positions](#) - Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston, MA. For more information contact: Timothy R. Rebbeck, Ph.D. at E-mail: [Timothy\\_Rebbeck@dfci.harvard.edu](mailto:Timothy_Rebbeck@dfci.harvard.edu). **Application Deadline: Please Inquire Directly**

[Building Healthy Urban Communities Health Disparities Fellows](#) - Rush University Medical Center in Chicago, IL. **Application Deadline: Please Inquire Directly**

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## TRAINING/ FELLOWSHIPS

**\*\*NEW\*\* [Cancer Research Training Award Fellowship in Clinical and Translational Epidemiology](#)** - National Cancer Institute (NCI)

[Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics Fellowships](#) - National Cancer Institute (NCI)

[Cancer Biology PhD Program](#) - Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa, FL.

[Behavioral Oncology Program](#) - Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa, FL.

[Fellowship & Residency at Emory](#) - Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University in Atlanta, GA.

[Fellowship: Health Communication](#) - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and The Research Participation Program for CDC is

administered by the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) in Atlanta, GA.

[Summer Public Health Scholars Program \(SPHSP\)](#) - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Office of Minority Health, and Health Equity (OMHHE).

[University of South Florida Residency and Fellowship Programs](#)  
based at Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa, FL.

[Applied Public Health Informatics Fellowship \(APHIF\)](#) supported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE), and the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO). Locations Vary.

[Global Noncommunicable Diseases and Injury Research](#) sponsored by National Institutes of Health (NIH).

[AZ-PRIDE Summer Institute Training Programs](#) - The University of Arizona Health Sciences

[CancerResearch Training Award Fellow Sought for Clinical and Translational Epidemiology](#) - National Cancer Institute (NCI)

[Career911: Your Future Job in Medicine and Healthcare](#) - Northwestern University

[Public Health Informatics Fellowship, in the Atlanta, Georgia.](#) - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

[Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program](#) - Institute of International Education

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## **JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

**\*\*NEW\*\* ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR** - [University of South Carolina College of Nursing](#) in Columbia, SC. For more information, contact Dr. Beverly Baliko, Chair of the Search Committee at E-mail: [balikob@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:balikob@mailbox.sc.edu)

**\*\*NEW\*\* ASSISTANT OR ASSOCIATE FACULTY MEMBER- Department of Health Outcomes and Behavior at Moffitt Cancer Center** in Tampa, FL. Questions regarding the position should be directed to Dr. Thomas Brandon, Department Chair at E-mail: [Thomas.BRANDON@Moffitt.org](mailto:Thomas.BRANDON@Moffitt.org)

**\*\*NEW\*\* ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR** - Rural Health Research Investigator. [University of Alabama College of Community Health Sciences](#) in Tuscaloosa, AL. For more information contact: John C. Higginbotham, PhD, MPH Chair, Department of Community and Rural Medicine at E-mail: [jhigginb@ua.edu](mailto:jhigginb@ua.edu)

**\*\*NEW\*\* ASSOCIATE/FULL PROFESSOR-** Cancer Prevention and Control Program. [The John Theurer Cancer Center at Hackensack University Medical Center](#) in Hackensack, NJ. For more information contact: Marc Schwartz, Ph.D. at E-mail: [schwartm@georgetown.edu](mailto:schwartm@georgetown.edu)

**\*\*NEW\*\* ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR-** Department of Public Health. [Bethune-Cookman University College of Health Sciences](#) in Daytona Beach, FL

**\*\*NEW\*\* ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR -** [Department of Social Sciences and Health Policy](#). [Wake Forest University School of Medicine](#) in Winston-Salem, NC. Please send applications to: Mark Wolfson, Ph.D. at E-mail: [dojones@wakehealth.edu](mailto:dojones@wakehealth.edu)

**\*\*NEW\*\* ASSISTANT, ASSOCIATE OR FULL PROFESSOR-** [The University of Utah Department of Social & Behavioral Science](#) in Salt Lake City, UT. For more information, contact Rebecca Utz at E-mail: [Rebecca.Utz@soc.utah.edu](mailto:Rebecca.Utz@soc.utah.edu) or Cindy Berg at E-mail: [Cynthia.Berg@psych.utah.edu](mailto:Cynthia.Berg@psych.utah.edu)

**NATIONAL CHAIR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH POLICY AND MANAGEMENT:** The [University of South Florida, College of Public Health](#) in Tampa, FL. Nominations and applications are currently being accepted. Please send applications to: Sandy Wirth at E-mail: [swirth@health.usf.edu](mailto:swirth@health.usf.edu)

**ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR/PROFESSOR-** Epidemiology Biostatistics, The [University of South Florida College of Public Health](#) in Tampa, FL. For more information, contact Dr. Yiliang Zhu, Chair, Biostatistics Faculty Search Committee at E-mail: [yzhu@health.usf.edu](mailto:yzhu@health.usf.edu)

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## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- **\*\*DEADLINE APPROACHING!\*\*** American Cancer Society opportunities: [Pilot and Exploratory Projects in Palliative Care of Cancer Patients and Their Families](#). **Application Deadline: October 15, 2016**
- **\*\*DEADLINE APPROACHING!\*\*** [AHRQ Grants for Health Services Research Dissertation Program \(R36\)](#). **Application Deadlines: November 1, 2016**
- NIH funding opportunities: [Imaging and Biomarkers for Early](#)

[Detection of Aggressive Cancer. Application](#)  
**Receipt/Submission Date(s): December 14, 2016**

- [NIH Funding Opportunities](#): Various Application Deadlines
  - PCORI | [Cycle 3 2015 Funding Announcements. Application Deadlines: \(Various\)](#)
  - [NIMHD Transdisciplinary Collaborative Centers for Health Disparities Research on Chronic Disease Prevention \(Various\)](#). National Institutes of Health. **Application Deadlines: (Various)**
  - [Administrative Supplements for Research on Sexual and Gender Minority \(SGM\) Populations \(Admin Supp\)](#) - National Institutes of Health. **Application Deadlines: (Various)**
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## RESOURCES/TOOL

- [Cancer Health Disparities | Did You Know?](#) - National Cancer Institute
- [National Research Mentoring Network](#) – Now live!
- [Questions about building more effective R&D partnerships? We've got answers](#)
- [The Value of Public Health](#) - American Public Health Association
- [Voices for Healthy Kids Toolkit](#) | Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) and American Heart Association (AHA)
- [Pathways to Prevention Workshop: The Role of Opioids in the Treatment of Chronic Pain – FINAL REPORT](#) - National Institutes of Health
- [New Library Acquisitions Monthly Update](#) - Office of Minority Health
- The [National Research Mentoring Network](#) is a fabulous resource for both senior and junior investigators.
- [Promoting Yourself, Your Research and the New NIH Biosketch.](#)
- [Community Outreach Program Linkage](#) - University of Alabama at Birmingham
- [Odessa Chambliss Center for Health Equity](#) - Bethune Cookman University in Florida
- [Research Mentoring](#) - University of Miami in Florida
- [NIH Biosketch](#) - What is new in the New Biosketch?
- NIH Tips on [Writing Your Grant Application](#)
- Find Funded NIH Projects - [NIH Reporter](#)
- [Health Disparities Calculator](#) - National Cancer Institute, NIH (NCI)

- [Cancer Health Disparities Definitions](#) - NCI
  - Making the Right Moves: [A Practical Guide to Scientific Management for Postdocs and New Faculty](#), Second Edition (PDF)
  - [Center of Excellence on Health Disparities](#) - Morehouse School of Medicine
  - [Office for Educational Outreach and Health Careers](#) - Morehouse School of Medicine
  - [The Satcher Health Leadership Institute](#) - Atlanta, GA.
  - [PR BioBank](#) - The Ponce Research Institute and the Moffitt Cancer Center Partnership
  - [Public Health Employment Connection](#) - Updated Job Opportunities Nationwide
  - [Careers in Public Health, An Introduction for Master's Level Students, by UAB School of Public Health](#) - Printable Booklet, UAB, School of Public Health
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