

## Geographic Management of Cancer Health Disparities Program (GMAP) Region 2 *July 2020 E-Blast*

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

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## GMaP Region 2: Anti-Racism Resource Guide

Tragic events over the past few months have highlighted the pervasive issue of systemic and institutional racism in the United States. Black people in research and academia are not exempt from experiencing the pitfalls of racism in their personal and professional lives. GMaP Region 2 serves a diverse cadre of scholars including dynamic Black students, investigators, and faculty, many of whom likely have firsthand experiences with racism. While we will not solve the issue of systemic and institutional racism overnight, our collective actions have power. Below are links to thoughtfully selected anti-racism resources. Our hope is that these resources will 1) support difficult conversations, 2) cause you to think introspectively and listen actively, and 3) speak up and speak out against racism.

- [Black Study in a Time of Trouble: A Reading List](#)
- [TED Talks to help you understand racism in America](#)
- [A Detailed List of Anti-Racism Resources](#)

*“Race and racism is a reality that so many of us grow up learning to just deal with. But if we ever hope to move past it, it can’t just be on people of color to deal with it. It’s up to all of us — Black, white, everyone — no matter how well-meaning we think we might be, to do the honest, uncomfortable work of rooting it out.” – Michelle Obama*

Additional Reading -

[The Cancer Letter:](#)

[Guest Editorials from Dr. Robert A. Winn & Dr. Otis W. Brawley](#)

# GMAP Region 2 - COVID-19 Update

Dear GMAP Region 2: We hope you and your families are staying safe amidst the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. As we monitor the situation, GMAP Region 2 will continue to send out news from the National Cancer Institute, conference updates, virtual meeting details, job opportunities, grant notices, etc. via multiple communication channels.

Although applications for GMAP Region 2 Travel Awards are closed until further notice, applications for [GMAP Region 2 Expert Grant Reviews](#) remain open. If you have information you would like to share with our network or additional questions or concerns, please contact us at [gmap.region2@moffitt.org](mailto:gmap.region2@moffitt.org).

## COVID-19 Related News & Resources:

***\*For a full list of news and resources, please visit our [website](#).***

- **(NEW)** [COVID-19 Resource Center](#) (Johns Hopkins)
- **(NEW)** [Coronavirus Resource Center](#) (Harvard)
- **(NEW)** [Coronavirus disease \(COVID-19\) advice for the public](#) (WHO)
- **(NEW)** [Health Literacy: TOO MUCH INFORMATION: A PUBLIC GUIDE \(How to separate the helpful from the harmful when it comes to coronavirus\)](#)
- **(NEW)** [Online Health Information: Is It Reliable?](#) (National Institute on Aging)

## NEWS - EVENTS - CONFERENCES



**BRIDGE  
TO NEW  
HEIGHTS**

**NCI SBIR Phase IIB Bridge Award**

NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE  
**SBIR**  
DEVELOPMENT  
CENTER

**(NEW)** Are you a Phase II SBIR/STTR awardee in need of additional funding to reach commercialization? Consider applying for the FY2021 Phase IIB Bridge Award! The NCI's Phase IIB Bridge Award aims to help small businesses developing innovative cancer technologies cross the funding "valley of death." Recipients can ask up to \$4 million over 3 years.

To learn more about this opportunity, join our Bridge program manager and NCI SBIR program director Jonathan Franca-Koh for an informational webinar on **Tuesday, July 14th, 2020 from 2:00-3:00PM ET**.

Jonathan will introduce the program and answer your questions on all things Bridge Award.

For more information please visit the [website](#).



The **AACR Virtual Meeting: COVID-19 and Cancer** will take place from **Monday, July 20th to Wednesday, July 22nd**, this special AACR conference will focus on the presentation of emerging data in basic, clinical, and epidemiologic research related to COVID-19 and cancer. COVID-19 has altered our approaches to caring for patients with cancer, and the negative ramifications related to cancer outcomes and psychosocial disorders and methods to mitigate these risks will be discussed. The increased incidence of severe COVID-19 in certain ethnic backgrounds and association with socioeconomic disparities will be highlighted.

For more information please visit the [website](#).

## AFROTECH™ : HEALTH

AfroTech continues to be the leading black tech conference in the US, and we are now expanding to include AfroTech Health! AfroTech Health is a one-day summit of programming and networking for Black professionals in the health industry. Come join 350+ of your fellow health industry professionals, entrepreneurs and executives as we explore emerging health tech trends and discuss how to grow your career in the health industry. The level up includes hands-on workshops, panels and guided group discussions. You must be 18+ to attend. The conference will be held at the Terra Gallery & Event Venue in San Francisco, CA on **Friday, August 7th, 2020**.

For more information please visit the [website](#).



**(NEW)** The **13th Annual Conference on the Science of Cancer Health Disparities in Racial/Ethnic Minorities and the Medically Underserved** will take place from **Friday, October 2nd to Monday, October 5th** at the Hilton Miami Downtown in Miami, FL. The AACR Science of Cancer Health Disparities conferences advance the understanding of, and ultimately help to eliminate, the disparities that represent a major public health problem in our country. Reflecting this transdisciplinary field, professionals from academia, industry, government, and the community are brought together to promote the exchange of novel ideas, discuss the latest findings in the field, and stimulate the development of new research on cancer health disparities.

Abstract Submission Deadline: **Friday, July 17th, 2020**  
For more information please visit the [website](#).

**(NEW)** For the **19th Annual Health Literacy Conference** from **Monday, July 20th to Friday, July 24th**, we reimagined the theme and presentations to reflect recent events. The new theme for this year is, "Health Equity and Disparities in the Time of COVID-19." We will share stories, insights, and encourage conversations to promote a greater understanding of the pandemic's disproportionate effect on select populations. Most importantly, we will identify solutions to consider as we work to rebuild a more equitable society.

For more information please visit the [website](#).



## Health Equity and Disparities in the Time of COVID-19

July 20-24, 2020 | Virtual Conference 2020

**IHA** 19th Annual Health Literacy Conference

A VIRTUAL EDUCATION EVENT



### International Cancer Education Conference

Using Cancer Education to Address Social Determinants of Health

12-16 October 2020 • Online @ [2020.attendicec.org](https://2020.attendicec.org)



The **2020 International Cancer Education Conference (ICEC)** will be held **virtually** from **Monday, October 12th – Friday, October 16th, 2020**.

This year's conference theme is Using Cancer Education to Address Social Determinants of Health, but what are "social determinants of health"? The World Health Organization (WHO) uses this definition: "The social determinants of health are the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work and age. These circumstances are shaped by the distribution of money, power and resources at global, national and local levels. The social determinants of health are mostly responsible for health inequities - the unfair and avoidable differences in health status seen within and between countries."

For more information please visit the [website](#).

**(NEW)** The Institute for Healthcare Advancement (IHA), the Horowitz Center for Health Literacy at the University of Maryland, and the producers of the Health Literacy Annual Research Conference (HARC) are teaming up for a virtual event, scheduled for **Monday, October 19th - Wednesday, October 21st, 2020**.

Conference coordinators are creating an innovative, cross-disciplinary agenda highlighting current health literacy research, practice, and policy.

For more information please visit the [website](#).



Integrating Research, Practice, and Policy

[hlia-harccconf.org](https://hlia-harccconf.org)

The APHA Annual Meeting and Expo is the largest and most influential yearly gathering of public health professionals, bringing the public health community together to experience robust scientific programming, networking, social events, poster sessions and more.

This year's theme is "Creating the Healthiest Nation: Preventing Violence". Violence is a leading cause of premature death, particularly among children, adolescents and young adults. This serious health and public health threat directly impacts life and limb, lowers life expectancy and undermines future achievement.

The virtual meeting will take place the same days



# APHA 2020

## VIRTUAL

ANNUAL MEETING & EXPO

OCT. 24 – 28

CREATING THE HEALTHIEST NATION:  
PREVENTING VIOLENCE

as originally scheduled, **Saturday, October 24th - Wednesday, October 28th**. All sessions and events will be scheduled in Pacific Daylight Time (PDT).

Registration opens Wednesday, July 1st. For more information please visit the [website](#).

## COMMUNITIES IN PARTNERSHIP:

*Ensuring Equity in the Time of COVID-19*

Webinar Series Every Wednesday at 1pm EST Starting on April 15

Sponsored by the Clinical Scholars

[ccphealth.org/covid-19-equity](http://ccphealth.org/covid-19-equity)



The importance of partnerships in crisis is front and center as we confront the global COVID-19 pandemic. Community-Campus Partnerships for Health and the UNC Center for Health Equity Research at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill have partnered to launch the webinar series, *Communities in Partnership: Ensuring Equity in the Time of COVID-19*. Join us each session on Wednesdays at 1pm EST as we highlight the disparate impact of the disease in the most vulnerable communities in our nation.

For more information please visit the [website](#).

[Culturally Specific Education Program Improved Knowledge and Screening Rates for CRC](#)

[Can a Culturally Tailored Education Program Improve Colorectal Cancer Awareness and Screening?](#)

[Colorectal Cancer Program Improves Screening Uptake in Minorities](#)

[Potential impact of family history–based screening guidelines on the detection of early-onset colorectal cancer](#)

[National Minority Health Month Spotlight: PACHE Researcher Ming-Chin Yeh, PhD, Expanding His Nutrition Research to Study and Blunt Cancer Disparities](#)

[National Minority Health Month Spotlight: Patricio Meneses, PhD](#), Moves Through the CURE Pipeline to Research Independence

[National Minority Health Month Spotlight: iCURE Scholar Sheryse Taylor, PhD](#), Examining Immune Differences in Disparities and Lung Cancer: Finding Your Research Potential

## TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

# 2020 NIH VIRTUAL SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

[Information](#) ▶

**(NEW)** Earlier this year, we made the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 NIH Intramural Summer Internship Program (SIP) due to the coronavirus pandemic. To help you sharpen your science skills and develop both professionally and personally, we have worked with Institutes and Centers (ICs) and Training Offices across the NIH to develop a summer-long series of activities. These online offerings will focus on the exciting science we do at the NIH and on important career and professional development topics for students at all educational levels. You can choose to participate in career development series for high school or college students, series on preparation for graduate or professional school, wellness activities, and a scientific skills series. We encourage you to look at all the program offerings and identify events that will help you achieve your scientific and career goals.

For more information, please visit the [website](#).

**(NEW)** NCI is offering a variety of online activities targeted to those interested in becoming a summer intern - whether now or in the future. These activities offer participants the opportunity to interact with NCI scientists and are in coordination with the offerings from the NIH Virtual Summer Enrichment Program.

For more information, please visit the [website](#).



The National Research Mentoring Network (NRMN) was established by the National Institutes of Health to promote diversity in the biomedical sciences. Mentorship is a key component of career advancement, professional development, and establishing an inclusive community.

Take advantage of this time indoors and use it to maintain your forward trajectory by engaging in a mentoring connection. MyMentor is MyNRMN's one-on-one guided virtual mentoring feature which provides an evidence-based curriculum to help you feel comfortable in a virtual capacity as well as promote independence, self-efficacy, and confidence in your education and/or career path.

For more information and to join NRMN, please visit the [website](#).

**(NEW)** [2021 Enriching Communication Skills for Health Professionals in Oncofertility \(ECHO\) Training Program](#)

## AWARDS - SCHOLARSHIPS - INTERNSHIPS



**(NEW)** Sustaining Technical and Analytical Resources (STAR) is a USAID-supported project which aims to strengthen the practice of global health through a learning-centered Fellowship and Internship program, capacity-building for host organizations, and knowledge-sharing collaborations between academic institutions.

For more information please visit the [website](#).



If you are a new graduate or student who feels like their summer internship plans are in limbo due to the COVID-19 outbreak, you are not alone. Usually at this time, people would be searching for, applying to and confirming their summer internships across the country. However, as they move online to finish their school year and consider the next step of their career this summer, students are facing unprecedented uncertainty.

For more information please visit the [website](#).

## *EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES*

**(NEW) [2020 Stadtman Tenure-Track Investigators](#)**, Intramural Research Program (IRP), National Institutes of Health (NIH)

**(NEW) [Physicians](#)**, Division of Blood Diseases (DBDR), Division of Cardiovascular Sciences (DCVS), and Division of Lung Diseases (DLD), The National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI)

**[Program Manager](#)**, Center for Health Outcomes and Population Equity (HOPE), Utah Huntsman Cancer Institute

**[Tobacco Treatment Specialist](#)**, Center for Health Outcomes and Population Equity (HOPE), Utah Huntsman Cancer Institute

**[Post-Doctoral Fellow](#)**, University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center

**[Research Scientist](#)**, Center for Health Outcomes and Population Equity (HOPE), Utah Huntsman Cancer Institute

**[Faculty Position](#)**, Social and Behavioral Determinants of Health, Department of Public Health and Community Health, Wayne State University

**[Post-Doctoral Fellow](#)**, Division of Health Equities, Beckman Research Institute, City of Hope Medical Center

**[Faculty Member](#)**, Department of Health Behavior and Policy, Virginia Commonwealth University



[Faculty Member](#), Department of Health Outcomes & Behavior, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute

[Health Economist](#), Healthcare Assessment Research Branch, National Cancer Institute

[Medical Officer](#), Health Systems and Interventions Research Branch, National Cancer Institute

[USAJOBS - Various Positions](#),  
Varying locations, Domestic & International

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

[Funding Opportunity Announcement: Research Supplements to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research \(Admin Supp - Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#) | Application dates vary

[Funding Opportunity Announcement: Mechanisms and Consequences of Sleep Disparities in the U.S. \(R01 - Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)  
| Applications are due July 14, 2020; July 14, 2021; July 14, 2022

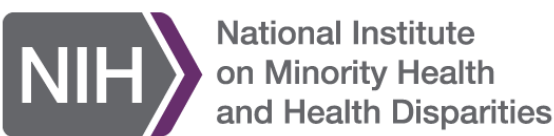
[Funding Opportunity Announcement: Basic Research in Cancer Health Disparities \(R01 and R21\)](#) | Applications are due June 19, 2020; November 19, 2020

[Funding Opportunity Announcement: Research to Reduce Morbidity and Improve Care for Pediatric, and Adolescent and Young Adult \(AYA\) Cancer Survivors \(R01 and R21 - Clinical Trial Optional\)](#) | First available due date - June 30, 2020 | *Pre-Application Webinar - May 12, 2020*

[Notice of Special Interest \(NOSI\): Availability of Administrative Supplements for Research in Geographically Underserved Areas](#) | First available due date - May 15, 2020

[Notice of Special Interest \(NOSI\): Administrative Supplements for Development of Risk-Stratified Cancer Survivorship Care Algorithms](#)  
| First available due date - May 15, 2020

[Notice of Special Interest: Administrative Supplement Opportunity to Stimulate or Strengthen Global Cancer Health Disparities Research](#) | First available due date - May 15, 2020



National Institute  
on Minority Health  
and Health Disparities

The logo for the National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD) is displayed, featuring the letters "NIMHD" in a purple, serif font.

### NIMHD Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant Program (R21 - Clinical Trial Optional)

NIMHD invites applications to support short-term exploratory or developmental research projects that have the potential to break new ground in the fields of minority health and/or health disparities or extend previous discoveries toward new directions or applications that can directly

**Open Date (Earliest Submission Date): May 16, 2020**  
For more information please visit the [website](#).

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

**[NIH Loan Repayment Programs \(LRPs\)](#). **Application deadlines vary****

**Administrative Supplements to Support Cancer Disparity Collaborative Research** | Applications are due February 10, 2020 and September 10, 2020 | [PA-18-842](#)

**Social Epigenomics Research Focused on Minority Health and Health Disparities (R01- Clinical Trial Not Allowed)** | Applications are due November 6, 2019, November 6, 2020, November 8, 2021 | [PAR-19-372](#)

**NCI Mechanisms of Disparities in Etiology and Outcomes of Lung Cancer in the US: The Role of Risk and Protective Factors (NEW) (R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)** | Applications are due March 4, 2020; March 4, 2021 | [PAR-19-018](#)

**NCI Mechanisms of Disparities in Etiology and Outcomes of Lung Cancer in the US: The Role of Risk and Protective Factors (NEW) (R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)** | Applications are due March 4, 2020; March 4, 2021 | [PAR-19-019](#)

Looking for additional [funding opportunities](#)? A full list of CRCHD funding opportunities as well as select NIH opportunities is available online.

## **(NEW) RADx Underserved Populations (RADx-UP)**

As part of NIH's multi-faceted response to the COVID-19 pandemic, NIH has launched an unprecedented four-pronged initiative, entitled Rapid Acceleration of Diagnostics, or RADx, to catalyze the scientific community to improve testing technologies, capacity, and accessibility for the country. As one of the four RADx components, RADx-Underserved Populations (RADx-UP) will establish a network of community-engaged projects to improve access to and acceptance of testing in underserved and vulnerable populations. The overarching goal of this \$500M effort is to understand factors that have led to disproportionate burden of the pandemic on these populations, so that interventions can be implemented to decrease the disparities.

As part of the RADx-UP initiative, NIH has released four funding opportunities (<https://www.nih.gov/research-training/medical-research-initiatives/radx/funding>) to solicit community-engaged research on COVID-19 testing among underserved and/or vulnerable populations to both understand and close the disparity gap. These funding opportunities include:

- Emergency competitive revision applications to existing awards for large consortia, multi-site trials, centers and other current networks that have adequate capacity, infrastructure, and established community-engaged relationships to support large-scale testing interventions or have the capacity to ramp up quickly to reach underserved or vulnerable populations. <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-121.html>
- Second, complementary emergency competitive revision opportunity which shifts eligibility to collaborative and individual research awards, generally focused on smaller underserved or vulnerable populations. <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-120.html>
- Emergency competitive revisions to solicit research to understand the social, ethical, and behavioral implications (SEBI) of COVID-19 testing in these populations. <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-119.html>
- A new Coordination and Data Collection Center (CDCC) award (U24), a key component of the consortium. The CDCC will serve as a national resource, working with NIH scientific staff and consortium members to provide overarching support and guidance in the following four domains: (1) Administrative Operations and Logistics, (2) COVID-19 Testing Technology, (3) Community and Health System Engagement and (4) Data Collection,

**Applications for this first phase will be accepted through August 2020** for FY20 funding. A second phase will be staggered to provide flexibility and to allow for adaption to the ever-changing needs that may be present as this pandemic evolves.

Please visit Rapid Acceleration of Diagnostics (RADx) (<https://www.nih.gov/RADx>) to learn more and to stay up to date on RADx information, news and progress.

## NIGMS Institutional Development Award (IDeA)

The Institutional Development Award (IDeA) is a congressionally mandated program that builds research capacity in states that historically have had low levels of NIH funding. It supports competitive basic, clinical, and translational research, faculty development, and infrastructure improvements. The program aims to strengthen an institution's ability to support biomedical research, enhance the competitiveness of investigators in securing research funding, and enable clinical and translational research that addresses the needs of medically underserved communities.

IDeA-eligible states include: **Alaska, Arkansas, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Vermont, West Virginia, Wyoming, and Puerto Rico.**

The IDeA program has five main components:

### **Centers of Biomedical Research Excellence (COBRE)**

The Centers of Biomedical Research Excellence (COBRE) program supports thematic, multidisciplinary research centers that strengthen institutional biomedical research capacity.

### **IDeA Networks of Biomedical Research Excellence (INBRE)**

The IDeA Networks of Biomedical Research Excellence (INBRE) program supports a statewide biomedical research development network in each IDeA-eligible state that partners research-intensive institutions with primarily undergraduate institutions.

### **IDeA Program Infrastructure for Clinical and Translational Research (IDeA-CTR)**

The IDeA Program Infrastructure for Clinical and Translational Research (IDeA-CTR) program supports clinical and translational research through the IDeA-states network by developing research infrastructure and human resources, enhancing an investigator's ability to develop a competitive research program, and increasing collaborative research activities that target health conditions prevalent in the medically underserved and rural communities.

### **IDeA Co-funding**

IDeA Co-funding supports R01 and R15 applications from investigators in IDeA-eligible states assigned to any NIH institute or Center (IC) that received meritorious score during peer review but fell beyond the pay lines of the IC's submitted to. NIH ICs select and submit eligible applications to NIGMS for consideration for IDeA Co-funding support.

### **STTR Regional Technology Transfer Accelerator Hubs for IDeA States**

The NIGMS SBIR/STTR program and the Division for Research Capacity Building support the commercialization of innovative technologies and methodologies developed in IDeA states through Regional Technology Transfer Accelerator Hubs. The accelerator hubs act as regional consortia to provide infrastructure and build an entrepreneurial culture at IDeA institutions within each region.

For more information about the IDeA program, contact [Dr. Ming Lei](#).

## NIH Maximizing Opportunities for Scientific and Academic Independent Careers (MOSAIC)

The NIH Maximizing Opportunities for Scientific and Academic Independent Careers (MOSAIC) program is designed to facilitate the transition of promising postdoctoral researchers from diverse backgrounds, such as individuals from groups underrepresented in the biomedical research workforce at the faculty level, into independent faculty careers at research-intensive institutions.

The program has two components:

- **MOSAIC Postdoctoral Career Transition Award to Promote Diversity (K99/R00).** Supports postdoctoral scientists from diverse backgrounds conducting research in areas within the NIGMS mission by providing up to 5 years of support in two phases. The initial

(K99) phase provides support for up to 2 years of extended postdoctoral research training and career development. The second (R00) phase provides up to 3 years of independent research support once the scholar transitions to an independent faculty position. *Awardees must be US Citizens or Permanent Residents.* For more information see: [PAR-19-343](#). Please note, the first application deadline is **February 12, 2020**. **Intramural postdocs are eligible for this award.**

- MOSAIC Institutionally-Focused Research Education Cooperative Agreement to Promote Diversity (UE5). Supports scientific societies whose members conduct research within the NIGMS mission. Awardees will provide skills development, mentoring, and networking opportunities that prepare cohorts of scholars supported by MOSAIC K99/R00 awards to transition into, succeed, and advance in independent faculty careers at research-intensive institutions. For more information see: [PAR-19-342](#).

## NCI's Research Interests to Improve Interprofessional Teamwork and Coordination During Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment

This [NOSI](#) highlights the Healthcare Delivery Research Program's interest in receiving investigator-initiated grant applications focused on understanding and improving interprofessional teamwork and coordination during cancer diagnosis and treatment.

Research encouraged through this NOSI includes, but is not limited to, studies that

- Identify modifiable features of **care team structure** (e.g., care team composition or organization), associated with differences in cancer care quality and patient outcomes.
- Identify modifiable features of **care team processes** (e.g., decision making, communication, coordination behaviors, collaboration, leadership) associated with differences in cancer care quality and patient outcomes.
- Identify **characteristics at the patient, caregiver, care team, delivery organization, health system, and/or community levels** that influence the functioning and effectiveness of interprofessional cancer care teams.
- Develop and test interventions designed to improve cancer care quality and patient outcomes by **modifying the structure and/or functioning** of interprofessional teams.
- Develop and test interventions designed to improve cancer care quality and patient outcomes by **engaging patients and caregivers** as members of their cancer care team.

### Application and Submission Information

This NOSI applies to due dates on or after **September 25, 2019 through January 8, 2022**. Applications related to this NOSI may be submitted using the following funding opportunity announcements or future reissuances:

- [PAR-18-869](#) Modular R01s in Cancer Control and Population Sciences (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)
- [PAR-18-559](#) Cancer Prevention and Control Clinical Trials Grant Program (R01 Clinical Trial Required)
- [PA-19-056](#) NIH Research Project Grant (Parent R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
- [PAR-18-290](#) National Cancer Institute Program Project Applications (P01 Clinical Trial Optional)

## BEST PRACTICES & RESOURCES

### Introducing eMENTORING



Given the break-neck speed of technical advancements, there's no doubt that Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) curriculums are the foundation for the future. In fact, 80% of future U.S. professions will require STEM expertise.

#### The Problem

But U.S. children—especially girls and minorities—are being left behind when it comes to studying and finding success in the world of STEM.

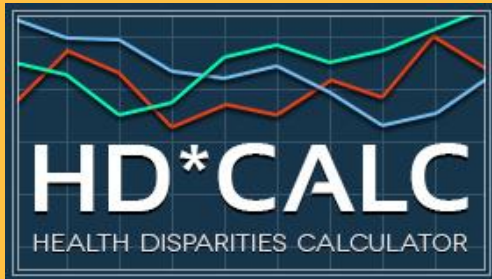
### Mentoring: Pros and Cons

Adults who mentor school-age children has proven to be one of the most valuable and effective development opportunities available in any environment—academic, professional, and even personal. And adults in STEM-based professions who can share real-life experiences with at-risk children can have a drastic effect on increasing a child's interest in pursuing a STEM-based educational path. Historically, however, mentoring comes with numerous logistical challenges such as cost, travel, coordination, and time. This has led to a decrease in resources willing to provide support at the same time there has been a drastic increase in the need for help.

### The Solution: eMentoring

e-Mentoring is an effective and efficient solution which eliminates the obstacles that were previously faced. e-Mentoring pairs students in under-resourced areas with a volunteer using web-based technology so neither party is constrained by time, travel, expense, and coordination. They share STEM-based projects or reading assignments, communicate online via a secure platform, and exchange ideas, feedback, and support.

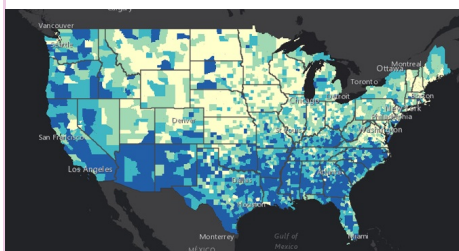
To learn more about e-Mentoring, download this [free e-book](#) that highlights some vital stats around the need for this important program and see how easy it is to get involved.



To download the new Health Disparities Calculator 2.0, please visit the following [website](#).

### Health Disparities Calculator 2.0

The Health Disparities Calculator (HD\*Calc) is statistical software designed to generate multiple summary measures to evaluate and monitor health disparities (HD). HD\*Calc was created as an extension of [SEER\\*Stat](#) that allows the user to import SEER data or other population-based health data, such as National Health Survey sample data from the National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) or the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), and calculate any of eleven disparity measures.



### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Social Vulnerability Index

Social vulnerability refers to the resilience of communities when confronted by external stresses on human health, stresses such as natural or human-caused disasters, or disease outbreaks. Reducing social vulnerability can decrease both human suffering and economic loss. CDC's Social Vulnerability Index uses 15 U.S. census variables at tract level to help local officials identify communities that may need support in preparing for hazards; or recovering from disaster.

The Geospatial Research, Analysis, and Services Program (GRASP) created and maintains CDC's Social Vulnerability Index. For more information visit [here](#).

- [PhenX Social Determinants of Health Assessments Collection](#)
- [The Diversity–Innovation Paradox in Science](#)
- [Differences in Stage of Cancer at Diagnosis, Treatment, and Survival by Race and Ethnicity Among Leading Cancer Types](#)
- [2020 AACR Annual Report](#)
- [Cancer Health Disparities | Did You Know? - NCI](#)
- [Promoting Yourself, Your Research and the New NIH Biosketch.](#)
- [NIH Biosketch](#) - What is new in the New Biosketch?
- NIH Tips on [Writing Your Grant Application](#)
- Find Funded NIH Projects - [NIH Reporter](#)

- [Cancer Health Disparities Definitions](#) - NCI
- [Public Health Employment Connection](#) - Updated Job Opportunities Nationwide
- [Jobs @ NIH](#) - Explore jobs and training opportunities

## Connect with your GMaP Partners

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## Cancer Training at NCI

### STAY CONNECTED

Become a GMaP Partner and stay connected. Let us know what information you want to know, how can we better help, or if you're interested in collaboration. Do you want us to highlight your programs? Join [GMap Region 2](#) today and let us know what information you want us to feature in our next newsletter!



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