P60 Center of Excellence in Minority Health (COE) Program Directory

(Sorted by State)
UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM
Birmingham, AL
Grant no: P60MD000502
Center name: Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Center
URL: http://mhrc.dopm.uab.edu/default.html

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Public Health Relevance Statement: Phase III of the P60 Center of Excellence - "Comprehensive Minority and Health Disparities Research Center (MHDRC)" will generate new knowledge on minority health and health disparities in chronic disease, specifically in the areas of cancer prevention and control, cardiovascular disease, and their related risk factors in African American and Hispanic populations, with an emphasis on developing and testing interventions to reduce, and ultimately eliminate, these disparities.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES
Los Angeles, CA
Grant no: P60MD006923
Center name: Bridging Research, Innovation, Training & Education Center (BRITE) on Minority Health Disparities Solutions
URL: http://www.britecenter.org

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Public Health Relevance Statement: Los Angeles is the largest and among the most diverse counties in the U.S., with 16% of households 100% below the federal poverty line, making it an ideal laboratory for health-disparities research. The high unemployment among our minority population brings an added urgency to our Center's work, which will improve health while creating jobs. As the U.S. becomes more diverse, our successes will provide a template for better health and opportunities for all health-disparities populations, a Healthy People 2020 goal.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO
San Francisco, CA
Grant no: P60MD006902
Center name: Comprehensive Center of Excellence for Health and Risk in Minority Youth and Young Adults
URL: http://charm.ucsf.edu/

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Public Health Relevance Statement: Chronic illnesses are major sources of morbidity and mortality in racial/ethnic minority populations. The youth and young adult period offers considerable opportunities for prevention and improvement of health across the life course, but is currently relatively understudied. The Center for Health and Risk in Minority youth and adults (CHARM) is dedicated to chronic disease prevention in racial/ethnic minority communities in the San Francisco Bay Area, with a focus on youth and young adults.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
Los Angeles, CA
Grant no: P60MD002254
Center name: Childhood Obesity Research Center
URL: http://corc.usc.edu/

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Public Health Relevance Statement: The Center will support a nexus of health researchers dedicated to reducing obesity-related health disparities in minority youth. The Center will provide new information and training that is scalable to community settings and unique programs that will elucidate the biological, behavioral and metabolic factors contributing to obesity and related disease-risk in Hispanic and African American children.

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER
Aurora, CO
Grant no: P60MD000507
Center name: Centers for American Indian and Alaska Native Health Disparities
URL: http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/PublicHealth/research/centers/CAIANH/Pages/CAIANH.aspx

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Public Health Relevance Statement: The Center for American Indian and Alaska Native Health Disparities at the University of Colorado Denver proposes to continue its important work in the research, research training/education, and community engagement/outreach. In this renewal we will focus on the development of interventions to address the high rates of psychological trauma many American Indian and Alaska Native communities must cope with. This PBO Center mechanism allows innovative approaches to the amelioration of trauma-related health disparities.

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY
Washington, District of Columbia
Grant no: P60MD006920
Center name: Center of Excellence for Health Disparities in the Nation’s Capital
URL: http://healthdisparities.georgetown.edu/CEHD/

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Public Health Relevance Statement: Health disparities are particularly prevalent in our nation’s capital, especially in low-income neighborhoods. The District of Columbia ranks highest in the country for breast and cervical cancer mortality and stroke is the 4th leading cause of death. The Center of Excellence for Health Disparities in Our Nation’s Capital (CEHD) will conduct critical health disparities research, prepare future professionals to deliver state-of-the-art services and programs, and train future leaders in the field.

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
Miami, FL
Grant no: P60MD002266
Center name: Center of Excellence for Health Disparities Research: El Centro
URL: http://www.miami.edu/sonhs/index.php/elcentro

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Public Health Relevance Statement: HIV and other sexually transmitted infections, substance abuse, intimate partner violence and associated health problems are preventable conditions that disproportionately affect U.S. Hispanics, Blacks and sexual minority groups as well as people of Latin America and the Caribbean, whose wellbeing is inextricably tied to the wellbeing of people in the U.S. These inequitable differences increase the burden of disease for the affected groups, and are an issue of economic and social importance for all Americans.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
Chicago, IL
Grant no: P60MD003424
Center name: Center of Excellence in Eliminating Disparities
URL: http://www.ceed.uic.edu/

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Public Health Relevance Statement: The CEED will serve as a model for dissemination of knowledge to communities throughout Chicago, Illinois and the United States that can be related to other disease prevention and management areas of health disparities. Through the UIC CEED, we seek to address racial/ethnic disparities by building upon our strengths in cancer prevention and management as a model that can be extended to all health conditions. Our comprehensive strategy incorporating research, education, policy changes, and community partnerships is fundamental to accomplishing the goal of reducing health disparities in Chicago and across Illinois.

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY
Baltimore, MD
Grant no: P60MD000214
Center name: Hopkins Center for Health Disparities Solutions
URL: http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-center-for-health-disparities-solutions/

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Public Health Relevance Statement: The Hopkins Center for Health Disparities at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health is a national resource for research that advances knowledge about why racial health disparities exist and how to correct them. In addition to research we are engaged with community projects which seek to make scientific knowledge about health disparities accessible to policy-makers and the general public.

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS
Worcester, MA
Grant no: P60MD006912
Center name: Center for Health Equity Intervention Research
URL: http://www.cheir.org/

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Public Health Relevance Statement: By its very nature health disparities research is interdisciplinary, and our center integrates multiple complex components to create a whole that is more than the sum of the parts. Our team has given careful consideration to global and day-to-day coordination and project management including scientific and financial oversight, allocation of resources, and cross-campus relationships.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Ann Arbor, MI
Grant no: P60MD002249
Center name: Center for Integrative Approaches to Health Disparities (CIAHD)
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Public Health Relevance Statement: Elimination health disparities will require approaches that recognize their multilevel causes. Identifying these causes requires interdisciplinary approaches that integrate social and biological factors and that bridge across research, training, and community engagement. Through its activities CIAHD will enhance our understanding of cardiovascular health disparities and our ability to intervene to eliminate them.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
Minneapolis, MN
Grant no: P60MD003422
Center name: Center for Health Equity
URL: http://www.ctsi.umn.edu/community/CenterforHealthEquity/index.htm

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Public Health Relevance Statement: Like the mission of NIMHD, CeHDRET will promote minority health research by coordinating and leading these activities at the University of
Minnesota. With a goal to eliminate health disparities, we will closely partner with our communities and ensure the University invests in and supports these efforts. Our two research projects are examples of outstanding science that will ultimately lead to improved health of minority populations and the reduction of health disparities.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
Winston-Salem, NC
Grant no: P60MD006917
Center name: The Maya Angelou Center for Health Equity
URL: http://www.wakehealth.edu/MACHE/

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Public Health Relevance Statement: This proposal is responsive to the Request for Applications for PSO Centers of Excellence by the National Institute for Minority Health and Health Disparities (RFA 11-003) and is consistent with the mission and vision of the Maya Angelou Center for Health Equity. The aims of the Cores and research projects are focused on a health disparity priority area (Type 2 Diabetes).

ALBERT EINSTEIN COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, YESHIVA UNIVERSITY
Bronx, NY
Grant no: P60MD000514
Center name: Bronx Center to Reduce and Eliminate Ethnic and Racial Health Disparities (Bronx CREED)
URL: http://www.einstein.yu.edu/centers/bronxcreed/

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Public Health Relevance Statement: Diabetes is epidemic in New York City, so developing efficacious and cost-effective interventions with peer educators have the potential benefit for the patient, peer educator, and health care system. Innovations in home monitoring of hypertension will be assessed by adding the intervention of peer educator self-management support in diabetics with high blood pressure. Reducing the obesity epidemic is through posting calories at fast food restaurants will depend on activating consumers to improve their food choices.
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES
New York, NY
Grant no: P60MD000206
Center name: Center for the Health of Urban Minorities (CHUM)
URL: http://www.cumc.columbia.edu/dept/chum/index.htm

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Public Health Relevance Statement: Diabetes and heart disease are major health problems in the Hispanic community. One research project will examine consequences of poorly controlled diabetes on memory, and two will examine innovative community based interventions to better control these diseases among Latinos.

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
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Grant no:P60MD000538
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Public Health Relevance Statement: There are significant and pervasive disparities in health status and access to care for Asian Americans in the U.S. The goal of this project is to implement a community-engaged and multi-level approach to conducting research, dissemination, research training and educational strategies to reduce health disparities in Asian American populations.

WEILL MEDICAL COLLEGE OF CORNELL UNIVERSITY
New York, NY
Grant no: P60MD003421
Center name: Comprehensive Center of Excellence in Disparities Research & Community Engagement (CEDREC)
URL:
http://www.cornellmedicine.com/clinical_practices_and_divisions/general_internal_medicine/cedrec/
Public Health Relevance Statement: This application will advance health disparities research by leveraging Weill Cornell's and New York University's expertise in translational behavioral science research, will increase the number of well-trained minority investigators by developing a Health Disparities Research program that provides health disparities research training for minority nursing students at Hunter and junior faculty at Lincoln; will strengthen the capacity for research in Central Harlem and the South Bronx and establish an active Community Advisory Board that will participate in designing new community-based projects; and will establish an interdisciplinary Executive Committee and External Advisory Board that will ensure the growth and sustainability of CEDREC.

CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
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Grant no: P60MD002265
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Public Health Relevance Statement: We propose to engage Cleveland's communities and institutions to disseminate evidence-based health disparity interventions.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
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Center name: Comprehensive Center of Excellence in Health Disparities
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PUBLIC HEALTH RELEVANCE STATEMENT: The proposed center of excellence will integrate the knowledge obtained in our previous research experience to develop, evaluate, and begin to implement interventions aimed at reducing prostate cancer disparities that affect African American men in Philadelphia.

UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO
San Juan, PR
Grant no: P60 MD002261
Center name: UPR-CHA Research Center of Excellence: Making a Difference for Latino Health
URL: http://www.rcm.upr.edu/CsConductaDAA/uprcha.html

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PUBLIC HEALTH RELEVANCE STATEMENT: Health and health service disparities are pervasive in asthma and mental disorders in both Puerto Rico and the United States among Latinos. The causes for these disparities are poorly understood and effective interventions to eliminate these disparities are needed. The mission of the proposed University of Puerto Rico-Cambridge Health Alliance Research Center of Excellence (UPR-CHA RCE) is to conduct research on Latino health and health care disparities, specifically mental disorders, substance abuse and asthma, and to generate and test models of improved service delivery to eliminate these disparities.

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY
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Grant no: P60MD002256
Center name: Center on Health Disparities
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Public Health Relevance Statement: The high rate of premature births in the United States remains a public health concern. Preterm or premature birth is the leading cause of neonatal mortality and morbidity in African Americans. The contributory causes and mechanisms explaining preterm birth and especially the disparity in African Americans are poorly understood and this Center proposes specific aims to address this lack of knowledge.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
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Grant no: P60MD006909
Center name: Indigenous Wellness Research Institute
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Public Health Relevance Statement: Consistent with the mission of NIMHD, Indigenous Wellness Research Institute brings our research, education, and clinical skills together to adapt and apply what we know to contribute to national efforts to reduce health disparities, improve mental and physical health outcomes, and ultimately promote health and wellness among American Indian and Alaska Native. Our research projects are examples of innovative science that will ultimately lead to improved health and the reduction of health disparities among American Indian and Alaska Native populations.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON
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Grant no: P60MD003428
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Public Health Relevance Statement: The CCHE has been established as the catalyst for original and innovative basic science, behavioral, clinical and population based research and training collaborations focused on reducing health disparities in Wisconsin.