POST-DOCTORAL TRAINING IN PROMOTING EQUITY IN CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS at AUSTIN

Overview: The Steve Hicks School of Social Work and the Dell Medical School at The University of Texas at Austin are recruiting four postdoctoral fellows through a T32 award from the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI). The goal of the postdoctoral training program is to increase diversity in behavioral, population, and implementation science research to promote health equity in cardiovascular disease. The program will enhance inter-professional education efforts already underway at UT Austin with involvement from 32 mentors across the Schools of Social Work, Medicine, and Nursing, the Population Research Center, School of Public Health, and the College of Pharmacy. Two fellows will be appointed in each of the Schools of Social Work and Medicine. This is a two-year fellowship, contingent upon satisfactory progress, with a start date of 9/1/18.

Postdoctoral fellows will further their research and training agendas through formal mentorship and coursework, seminars, conferences, and other career development activities. Each fellow will have a primary mentor assisted by other mentors in a team approach. They will work with established investigators on research projects and be expected to prepare and submit manuscripts for publication, present at local and national conferences, and develop and submit at least one grant proposal by the end of the fellowship term. Fellows will be trained in community-based participatory research methods and population health science. They will implement evidence-based interventions and/or produce scientific evidence with the ultimate goal of increasing health equity in heart and lung diseases, including their behavioral risk factors. Dell Medical School is uniquely designed to promote population health while the Steve Hicks School of Social Work is rooted in an equity lens and has a strong community-based focus; furthermore, the Schools have an established and successful partnership.

Eligibility: Individuals underrepresented in health-related sciences (African Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans, Alaskan Natives, Hawaiian Natives, natives of the U.S. Pacific Islands, and individuals with physical or mental disabilities) are eligible to apply for the fellowship. All applicants must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States at the time of application. Applicants are required to possess a PhD, MD, or other doctoral degree in a related discipline, or be enrolled in an accredited doctoral degree program and fulfill all degree requirements prior to program entry.

Fellows will receive an annual $60,000 stipend, fringe benefits, and a travel/professional development allowance.

Application process: Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis and require a cover letter, curriculum vitae, two-page (single-space) statement describing research interests and experience, and three letters of recommendation, sent directly to the principal investigator:

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