

2018 NIMHD Health Disparities Research Institute (HDRI) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Q1: What is the Health Disparities Research Institute's structure?

A1: The HDRI consists of seminars covering emerging minority health and health disparities topics, small group discussions, grant writing training, mock grant proposal review, and meetings with NIH Program Officials.

Q2: Who is eligible for this Health Disparities Research Institute?

A2: This program is intended for early stage research investigators. Applications will only be accepted from post-doctoral fellows, assistant professors, or individuals in similar early stage research career positions who are engaged in minority health and health disparities research. Early career researchers from diverse backgrounds interested in the conduct of health research, within academic, community-based, non-profit, and other non-academic settings, are encouraged to apply.

Q3: Would NIH staff or staff from other HHS agencies be eligible for the Health Disparities Research Institute?

A3: No, as per eligibility criteria, NIH and HHS staff including persons doing fellowships or trainings (at NIH/HHS) are not eligible to apply, however, limited space may be available to audit the morning lectures (email the HDRI planning committee at NIMHDHealthDC@mail.nih.gov for more information).

Q4. Would previous participants of the HDRI or the Translational Health Disparities Course be eligible to apply?

A4: No, as per eligibility criteria.

Q5: Can foreign professionals apply?

A5: The Health Disparities Research Institute is open to all eligible applicants. However, the NIH cannot provide any financial or travel/visa related assistance beyond the standard acceptance confirmation.

Q6: Where will the Health Disparities Research Institute take place?

A6: The HDRI will take place on the NIH campus at 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Maryland (Lister Hill Auditorium, Building 38-A and Natcher Conference Center/Building 45), Bethesda, Maryland 20892.

Q7: On what days will the Health Disparities Research Institute occur?

A7: The HDRI will run from Monday, July 23rd to Friday, July 27th. The HDRI will begin at 8:30am and will end at 5:30pm each day except on Friday, July 27th when the program will end at 12 noon.

Q8: Is the Health Disparities Research Institute first come, first serve?

A8: No. All applications submitted are reviewed by the selection committee and top finalists will be invited to attend HDRI.

Q9: Do I have to attend the entire institute?

A9: Yes, applicants are required to attend the entire duration of the HDRI and participate in all activities.

Q10: Will Health Disparities Research Institute materials (e.g. presentations, reading materials) be available online or during the Course?

A10: No, presentations and/or materials will not be distributed.

Q11: Is there a cost for the Health Disparities Research Institute?

A11: The Health Disparities Research Institute is free. Participants are responsible for transportation, room and board.

Q12: Is financial assistance available?

A12: Yes, limited scholarships may be available to cover travel expenses. Applicants invited to attend HDRI will receive additional information.

Q13: Will CMEs/CEU's be offered?

A13: No, CMEs/CEUs will not be offered.

Q14: Where can I get information on accommodations?

A14: A hotel block will be available at participant cost. Also visit the following link:

www.cc.nih.gov/about/visitor/hotels.shtml.

Note: the NIH Shuttle from hotels is exclusively for use of Clinical Center's patients.

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Q15: Where can I get information about parking or taking public transportation?

Q15: Please visit the following link: <https://www.ors.od.nih.gov/maps/Pages/Gateway-Center-Map.aspx>).