2017 Health Disparities Research Institute (HDRI)  
Frequently Asked Questions

Q1: What is the Research Institute structure?  
A1: The Institute is organized into 5 seminars and small group discussions and a mock grant proposal review. Each seminar covers a health disparities subject area and will consist of 2-3 topics. Some of the faculty will present case studies.

Q2: Who is eligible for the Research Institute?  
A2: This program is intended for early stage research investigators, 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: Can NIH and HHS staff apply for the Research Institute?  
A3: Please note that NIH and HHS staff are not eligible to apply, however, limited space may be available for auditing the morning lectures (email the HDRI planning committee at NIMHDHealthDC@mail.nih.gov for more information).

Q4: Where will the Research Institute take place?  
A4: The course will take place on the NIH campus (John Edward Porter Neuroscience Research Center, Building 35), 35 Convent Drive, Bethesda, Maryland 20892.

Q5: On what days and times will the Research Institute occur?  
A5: This course will be offered daily from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., August 14-18, 2017, Monday to Friday. No evening or weekend classes will be offered.

Q6: Will we have recommended readings?  
A6: Yes, you will be provided with the recommended readings in advance.

Q7: Will Research Institute materials (e.g. presentations, reading materials) be available online after the course?  
A7: Only Research Institute scholars will have access to materials for a limited time after the Institute is over.

Q8: Can I audit the Research Institute?  
A8: No. Research Institute scholars are required to attend the Institute in its entirety for the one-week duration, August 14-18, 2017.

Q9: Is there a cost for the Research Institute?  
A9: The Research Institute is free, but admission is competitive and daily attendance is mandatory. Participants are responsible for transportation, room and board.
Q10: Can foreign professionals apply?
A10: The 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.

Q11: Is the Research Institute first come, first serve?
A11: No. Space is limited and admission is competitive. Research Institute participants will be selected once all applications have been reviewed.

Q12: Will CMEs/CEU’s be offered?
A12: No, CMEs/CEUs will not be offered.

Q13: Where can I get information about parking or taking public transportation?
A13: Please visit the following link: NIH visitor information.

Q14: Is financial assistance available?
A14: No, participants are responsible for transportation, room and board.

Q15: Where can I find information on housing options?
A15: Please refer to the PDF on the HDRI webpage, or follow this link: Local Area Hotels.