

December 2021

Consortium of African American Public Health Programs Monthly Newsletter

CAAPHP Program Announcements

The next CAAPHP Monthly Business Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 10th 2022 from 12pm to 1:30pm EST.

Happy Holidays



CAAPHP is wishing you and your family a Happy Holiday season and a Wonderful New Year!!



ASPHN Health Equity Intern Highlight

Jared Bailey is a recent 2021 graduate of Morehouse College. He is a first year Master of Public Health Student at Morehouse School of Medicine with and currently an intern at Morehouse School of Medicine's Prevention Research Center through the Association of State Public



Health Nutritionists (ASPHN). He is currently working on Project Dads in Nutrition Education (Project DINE) and will be a co-author to a forthcoming peer-reviewed journal focusing on eliminating disproportionate rates of maternal mortality and morbidity. Jared has received the Human and Health Services Public Service Star award while interning at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in the Division of Violence Prevention this year. Jared can be found in multiple articles including Apple Inc. , Bonner Foundation, Bonner Network , NMSDC, SPCC AHEC, among other publications.



CAAPHP Member Spotlight



Charles R. Drew University
of Medicine and Science

A Private University with a Public Mission

The CDU MPH program in Urban Health Disparities continues the University's tradition of addressing the health and education needs of underserved communities. Cultivating highly competent and committed health professionals, our MPH program offers an academically rigorous environment uniquely focused on the urban social determinants of health. The CDU MPH program offers intimate evening classes conducive for working adults and provides opportunities for students to conduct research with COU faculty, participate in community-based research, acquire public health hands-on skills, advocate for social justice and health equity, and develop innovative public health programs.

Click [here](#) to visit the Charles R. Drew University Masters of Public Health program website for more information.



National Events and Educational Opportunities



December is Safe Toys and
Gifts Month!



This holiday season, ensure the toys and gifts you wish to give suits the age, skills, and abilities of the individual, especially if they are children or infants. APHA has a list of guidelines for choosing safe gifts for people of all ages. Click [here](#) to view.

Job Opportunities



Cook County DEPT. of
Public Health
Promoting health. Preventing disease. **Protecting you.**

Cook County Public Health is hiring for a Public Health Educator III -Bilingual. This position is required to plan and implement interventions, provide technical

assistance to community-based partners, create materials to support communication strategies and efforts among other important duties. For more information and to apply click [here](#).

Job Code is 00126587.

New Mexico Department of Health
Epidemiology & Response Division is in search
of their next **Childhood Lead Program**

Epidemiologist. Purpose of Position The
Childhood Lead Poisoning Program (CLPPP)
Manager/Epidemiologist position will provide
epidemiological perspective and guidance for
developing the new CLPPP, and assure that the Healthy Homes and Lead
Poisoning Surveillance System (HHLPSS) is managed for the purpose of
blood lead data collection, epidemiological investigation, case
management, analysis, and reporting. For more information and to
apply click [here](#).



Internship Opportunities and Fellowships



**BMSF Clinical
Investigator Pipeline**

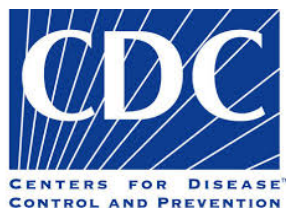
Program

The Bristol Meyers Squibb Foundation Clinical Investigator Pipeline Program (BMSF CIPP) was established to build the pipeline of community oriented clinical trialists of diverse backgrounds who are committed to increasing diversity, equity and inclusion in clinical trials. This will be a 6-week summer externship program for 250 underrepresented medical students, and with hands-on community-oriented clinical trial experience in underserved communities. **The awards will be \$5,000 per student.**

PLEASE NOTE: The application window for the BMSF CIPP is now open and will close on January 28th, 2022. Click **here** to apply.

Fellowship Opportunities

- **CDC Phylogenetics/Evolutionary Genetics Fellowship**
- **FDA Vaccine Immune Response Fellowship**
- **Intelligence Community Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Program**
- **Research in Increasing Resilience to Air Quality Environmental Exposure**



CDC Laboratory Internship in Evolutionary Analysis and Ecology

A research opportunity is currently available with the Evolutionary Analysis and Ecology (EAE) Team at the National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID) at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, Georgia. This fellowship provides the opportunity to be involved in a variety of research projects aimed to the study of zoonotic viruses in their natural hosts and at the animal-to-human interphase. The participant will perform diagnostic assays for the detection of potential infection with orthopoxviruses and rabies virus in animals; more specifically, samples collected in the field through various projects around the world will be tested using diagnostic methods, which include ELISA, viral culture, conventional and real-time PCR, among others.

Click [here](#) for more information and to **apply**.

COVID-19 Information and Resources



Omicron Variant

According to the CDC, as of December 20, 2021, Omicron has been detected in most states and territories and is rapidly increasing the proportion of COVID-19 cases it is causing. The Omicron variant likely will spread more easily than the original SARS-CoV-2 virus and how easily Omicron spreads compared to Delta remains unknown. CDC expects that anyone with Omicron infection can spread the virus to others, even if they are vaccinated or don't have symptoms. Current vaccines are expected to protect against severe illness, hospitalizations, and deaths due to infection with the Omicron variant. However, breakthrough infections in people who are fully vaccinated are likely to occur. With other variants, like Delta, vaccines have remained effective at preventing severe illness, hospitalizations, and death. The recent emergence of Omicron further emphasizes the importance of vaccination and boosters. Click [here](#) for more information.

Partnerships



Visit APHA's to get access to the sessions from the Annual APHA website if you were not able to attend the meeting. Click [here](#) to see how you can get access to captioned scientific sessions and presentations from the annual meeting.

Health Equity



Since September 2020, Bethune-Cookman University has been the **convening site** for CAAPHP.

Learn More about the BCU Masters' of Public Health here.

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