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FACULTY DIRECTOR MESSAGE

Dear community,

Spring is upon us along with growing hope that our collective hard work over the last year is starting to result in a light at the end of the tunnel. As our hope grows, I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the loss, injustice, and sacrifice that many have experienced so acutely over the last year. My hope for the Spring and Summer is that we may find time and space for healing.

I would like to extend my warmest gratitude and appreciation to all of our community and research partners for your dedication, commitment, and passion to address racial inequities and the COVID-19 pandemic over the past year. We are inspired every day and honored to get to work alongside you. The recent racially-motivated shootings of Asian women in Atlanta and the vaccine inequities remind us that the work continues.

Finally, I would like to thank the hardworking OCE team. Our community and research partners deserve the best and you deliver every day. Thank you for all that you do!

In Community,

Lisa Goldman Rosas, PhD, MPH

For current information regarding COVID-19, please visit:
HealthAlerts.Stanford.Edu
Welcome to Emily Wood, MPH to the team! She, alongside Co-PI's Dr. Manali Patel and Dr. Lisa Goldman Rosas, will focus on the California Initiative to Advance Precision Medicine project aimed at reducing cancer disparities through collaborative Precision Medicine in Monterey County.

Best Wishes to Hector Romero, MS-HCA. He has accepted a new exciting career opportunity in the bio-tech industry. Thank you for your many contributions to OCE, we will miss you!

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

COVID-19 COMMUNITY TOWN HALLS

As millions of people across the country await their turn to take the coronavirus vaccine, there are still a number of topics OCE continues to address for the community. Watch the latest town halls in January and February as we addressed COVID-19 Vaccine Trials and Adolescent Mental Well-being on OCE's YouTube Channel. Please stay tuned for future community-engaged town halls here.
COMMUNITY PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES

The Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) of the Bay Area has a mission to “provide[s] communities of support, access to medical care, and the healing power of family and home for critically ill children” in order to “create communities where children and their families embrace life and healing with a sense of hope, courage, and joy.” The COVID-19 pandemic has greatly interrupted the organization’s traditional fundraising events, but families still need housing, food, and support more than ever. Direct donations make an immediate impact, allowing staff to purchase and prepare food typically provided by volunteer meal groups, which is key to feeding families while COVID-19 restrictions are in place. Please consider donating to RMHC [here](#).

EDUCATION

VALLEY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

2nd year medical students Emily Pang and Antonio Chahine successfully wrapped up their separate projects with their community partner Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Bay Area.

Together, alongside their RMHC mentors, Nicole Williams, Bri Seoane, and Juan Hernandez and Faculty mentors Dr. Susan Hintz and Dr. Lisa Goldman Rosas, they provided the house with valuable information to improve the health and well-being of the patients they serve. We applaud your dedication to community health and look forward to hearing your poster presentations at the Community Health Symposium on March 31st.

RESEARCH

COVID19 ANTIBODY TESTING IN LOCAL COUNTY JAILS

Since the start of the pandemic, the Office of Community Engagement has been providing technical assistance to a number of COVID-19-related studies across the Stanford School of Medicine. One of such studies focuses on the health and well-being of men and women who work or are incarcerated in local jails. The project, COVID19 Antibody Testing in Local County Jails (PI: Jason Andrews), has two
specific goals: 1) to determine COVID-19 seroprevalence in local jails through antibody testing; 2) to understand perceptions, attitudes, and behaviors surrounding COVID-19 among people living or working in jails. Members of our team have been supporting project activities related to community advisory boards for the two county jail systems involved in the study since June 2020 and will continue to provide support with dissemination efforts.

**RESEARCH RESOURCES**

**PILOT AWARD OPPORTUNITY**
New Requests for Proposals are now being accepted for the Spectrum (Stanford Center for Clinical and Translational Research and Education) Community Engagement Pilot Award. These are awarded annually to faculty, trainees, and their collaborative partners. Apply/Contact/Learn more

Deadline for Proposals | Wednesday, April 7, 2021 by 5PM PST

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

[REGISTER TODAY!][4]

**LAUNCH SYMPOSIUM** (Password: 495844)

19th Annual Community Health Symposium

Wednesday, March 31, 2021 | 2:00-5:30 PM PST

*Engaging Communities in Health Equity Research*

Since 2002, the Community Health Symposium at Stanford School of Medicine has served to showcase the work of Stanford students, trainees, staff, faculty and community partners in underserved communities in California and around the world. Join us Live and On Demand

**AGENDA**

**EXHIBIT HALL** | 2:00 PM PST

**OPENING REMARKS** | 3:00 PM PST
Charbel Bou-Khalil & Davis Chhoa | 1st Year Stanford Medical Students

**WELCOME ADDRESS** | 3:10 PM PST
Lloyd B. Minor, MD | Stanford Medicine
KEYNOTE ADDRESSES | 3:20 PM PST
Alyce Adams, PhD | Stanford Medicine
Al Richmond, MSW | Community Campus Partnerships for Health

BREAKOUT SESSIONS (Concurrent) | 4:25 PM PST

Breakout 1 | Health Equity
I.  Food insecurity in Latinx Immigrant Populations
Anisha Patel, MD, MSPH, MSHS | Stanford Medicine
Cecilia Castro | Dolores Huerta Foundation
Genoveva Islas, MPH | Cultiva la Salud

II.  COVID-19 Testing
Daniel Ho, PhD, JD | Stanford Law School
Analilia Garcia, DrPH, MPH, Santa Clara County Public Health Department
Derek Ouyang, MS | Stanford Earth

Moderator | Lisa Goldman Rosas, PhD, MPH | Stanford Medicine

Breakout 2 | Climate Change
Kari Nadeau, MD, PhD | Stanford Medicine
Gabrielle Wong-Parodi, PhD, MA | Stanford Earth
Violet Saena | Climate Resilient Communities

Moderator | Wei-ting Chen, PhD, MA | Stanford Medicine

Breakout 3 | Racial Equity
Cati G. Brown-Johnson, PhD | Stanford Medicine
Italo M. Brown, MD, MPH | Stanford Medicine

Moderator | Felipe D. Perez, MD | Stanford Medicine

CLOSING REMARKS | 5:10 PM PST
Yvonne Maldonado, MD, FAAP, FPIDS, FIDSA | Stanford Medicine

SCCR
Virtual Science Series: Community Engagement for Clinical Research Wednesday, April 7, 2021 | 9-11 AM PST
Join Dr. Lisa Goldman Rosas, Dr. Patricia Rodriguez Espinosa, and Katherine Connors as they provide you an overview of the basics of community engagement in clinical research. More Info/Register here

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