

2009 KHSP Meeting Thematic Groups Abstracts

Friday, June 5

Concurrent Thematic Group Meetings

10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
and 2:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Bryce

Thematic Group I: Aging

Organizers/Facilitators: *Mindi Spencer, Angelica Herrera, Shevon Harvey, Gina Evans, Angela Thrasher, and Besangie Sellars*

The synthesis of the fields of gerontology and health disparities has been largely ignored in the past, and assuming a leadership role in minority aging will be critical over the next 40 years. During this time, the U.S. Census estimates that the number of Americans age 65 years and older will double, and the proportion of the older population who are members of a racial/ethnic minority group will increase from approximately 16% to 36%. The chief goal of this workgroup is to encourage scholars, alumni, and guests to explore gaps in health policy and research that limit progress toward reducing disparities in older adulthood. Themes of special interest include: Depression and Mental Health in Older Racial/Ethnic Minorities; Successful Aging; Disability Prevention; Chronic Disease Management; Caregiving, and Translation of Evidence-based Practices. The specific objectives of the 2009 session are to (1) reflect upon and discuss the implications of health policies, bills, and initiatives referenced during the group visit to Capitol Hill; (2) discuss challenges and opportunities for NIH research funding in minority aging that align with Institute-specific strategic plans; (3) solicit input from colleagues on specific grant proposal ideas; and (4) identify areas for future collaboration and professional development. In addition to this morning meeting, the group will also meet in the afternoon.

10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

Yosemite

Thematic Group II: Mental Health

Organizer/Facilitator: *Anita Wells*

Workshop Content: This session will focus on three central themes: cultural differences in how mental health is construed; mental health's place in the public health and policy arena, and framing objectives for the mental health group, which will be meeting this year for the first time. The session will begin with an overview of Joe Gone's (Scholar alum) June 3rd presentation on culture and mental health; this brief overview will be followed by a discussion examining the effects on service delivery when the mental health profession's understanding of mental health differs from that of the racial and ethnic communities in which it is being practiced. The session will then transition to a review of current legislation targeting mental health. We specifically will address tensions that exist between moving quickly toward prescriptive solutions for service provision, often embodied in public health policy, and cultural constructs of mental health and illness. Lastly we will hear from attendees about what they want from a mental health thematic group and what contributions such a group can make to public health and policy. This final discussion will include a brief summary of the collaboration taking place between several group members on a new chapter for the text *Prevention is Primary*.

Objectives: Attendees will participate in discussions about mental health in cultural context, and mental health's place at the public health and policy table. Attendees will have an opportunity to help build a foundation for this new thematic group and to lay the groundwork for future collaborations.

Who might benefit? Scholars (Incoming, Current, and Alumni) who are interested in research, policy or advocacy that includes any component of mental health/behavioral health.

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Glacier

Thematic Group III: Community Interventions and Neighborhood Engagement **Organizers/Facilitators: Dawnavan Davis, Caree Jackson, and Precilla Belin**

The purpose of this workshop is to support and promote collaborative research and advocacy work in Community Intervention/Neighborhood Engagement among Scholars, Alumni and Mentors of the W. K. Kellogg Foundation's Kellogg Health Scholars Program. During this interactive session participants will address the following objectives:

- 1) Share and describe current research, projects, and interests in Community Intervention and Neighborhood Engagement
- 2) Explain the strategies and approaches used to conduct Community Intervention and Neighborhood Engagement research
- 3) Become acquainted with the research and research interests of other participants
- 4) Identify effective ways to collaborate with other workshop participants on future research, presentations, policy/advocacy work, and publications.

The workshop will be facilitated by Community Health Scholars Program Alumni, Dawnavan Davis and Precilla Belin and by current Community Track Kellogg Health Scholar, Caree J. Jackson. Participants should be prepared to engage in interactive discussion and are encouraged to bring copies of any work or collaborative ideas they may want to share.

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Thornton B

Thematic Group IV: Place, Migration and Health **Organizers/Facilitators: Flora Dallo and Lisa Goldman Rosas**

Research on migration and place is complicated by many issues, including racial and ethnic affiliations, as well as group identities that are spatial, public, private, and socio-politically motivated. Moreover, groups with migration and place identities are often burdened by disparities in healthcare access and quality, and well-being. In this collaborative session, we will explore meanings and contexts of "migration" and "place", as well as establish networks based on our unique perspectives and expertise. Prior to the workshop, we will disseminate our biosketches to other members of the group, so that when we meet, we can begin discussing ideas for collaborations, such as publications and grant opportunities. At the conclusion of this workshop, participants will establish potential collaborations with one another. Examples may include conference presentations, joint articles, panels, grants, and mutual citation for similar work, fostering ongoing relationships between scholars and senior researchers with common interests.

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Thematic Group V: Sexual and Reproductive Health

Discussants: *Michael Reece and Kevin Robinson*

Organizers/Facilitators: *Sekai Chideya, Yvonne Ferguson, and Michael Reece*

Many past and current Scholars, Advisors and Community Mentors have research, programs and advocacy interests in the field of sexual and reproductive health. The purpose of this workshop is to promote these interests and build a sustainable collaboration between workshop participants.

The first half of this interactive session will include a panel of Alumni who currently work in the sexual and reproductive health field (i.e. faculty, community-based organizations, policy/advocacy, foundations, etc.). Panel members will discuss their career path, future plans, research projects, how they have developed community-academic relationships, advocacy efforts, and provide job search tips. The panel discussion will be extended to the workshop participants, where participants can share aspects of their work and discuss how they see opportunities for collaboration.

A key goal of the sexual and reproductive health thematic group is building a sustainable collaboration between workshop participants. To support this goal, the afternoon session of the workshop will focus on collaboration. In addition to continuing the morning discussions, there is an opportunity for participants to collaborate and develop a CBPR panel for the 2009 American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting. Alumni Scott Rhodes and Michael Reece serve as the current and incoming chair of the APHA HIV/AIDS Section. The HIV/AIDS Section is open to receiving late-breaking abstracts for a CBPR-focused panel. Interested participants, who have HIV/AIDS-related CBPR projects, will have an opportunity to collaborate and develop abstracts for a panel presentation at the 2009 APHA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA (November 7 - 11, 2009). All Networking Meeting attendees are welcome to attend this afternoon session.

At the conclusion of this workshop, participants will be knowledgeable about careers in the field of sexual and reproductive health and will establish potential and sustainable collaborations with workshop attendees.

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Thematic Group VI: Social Determinants of Health Organizers/Facilitators: *Chandra Ford and Shawn Kimmel*

The purpose of this workshop is to support and promote collaborative research and advocacy work in Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) among Scholars, Alumni, Senior Researchers, and Mentors of the W. K. Kellogg Foundation's Kellogg Health Scholars Program. During this interactive session participants will address the following objectives:

- 1) Share and describe current research, projects, and interests in SDOH.
- 2) Explain the strategies and approaches used to conduct SDOH research
- 3) Become acquainted with the research and research interests of other participants
- 4) Identify effective ways to collaborate with other workshop participants on future research, presentations, policy/advocacy work, and publications.

The meeting will start with large group introductions and discussion of research interests. Group members will breakout into small groups by common research interests to discuss: 1) Current SDOH research/work, 2) potential for collaborators, and 3) policy interests. Participants will return to the large group to discuss moving SDOH policy forward as a group and next steps.

The workshop will be facilitated by Kellogg Health Scholars Program Alumni, Shawn Kimmel and Chandra Ford. Participants should be prepared to engage in interactive discussion and are encouraged to bring copies of any work or collaborative ideas they may want to share.

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Thornton B

Thematic Group: Prevention is Primary Organizer/Facilitator: *Kalahn Taylor-Clark*

The goal of this Thematic Cluster is to encourage Scholar contributions to the second edition of a textbook, *Prevention is Primary*. This collaboration will take place between KHSP and the Prevention Institute.

Prevention is Primary is an academic and practitioner focused text on primary prevention co-edited by Prevention Institute and Dr. Vivian Chavez of San Francisco State University. The text marks the first co-publication of Jossey-Bass and the American Public Health Association and has received a tremendous response amongst both academics and practitioners alike. *Prevention is Primary* is currently being used at a variety of academic institutions, including University of California at Berkeley, San Jose State University, San Francisco State University, Mississippi State, University of South Carolina, University of Wisconsin (Madison) and Washington State University to name just a few. Waldman University and the University of Phoenix online programs have also both adopted the text as the center piece of their public health courses. According to the text's editor at Jossey-Bass, it is one of the fastest selling public health texts in a long time, having sold well over 3000 copies in its first year.

Current Scholars, alums, and program affiliates will contribute to this text in a number of different areas, including:

Anita Wells and Taqi Tirmazi

*Chapter - *Mental Health*

Barbara Krimgold

Textbox – *Children's Health*

Lisa Goldman-Rosas

Textbox – *Immigration and Health*

Naima Wong

*Textbox – *Resilience*

Chapter Update – *Community Organizing*

Gina Evans

Textbox – *TBA*

Soowon Kim

Textbox – *Activate America*