



1st SPEECH Regional Cancer Health Disparity Conference
Thursday May 30th, 2019
Temple Lewis Katz School of Medicine, Philadelphia, PA

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS!

The Synergistic Partnership for Enhancing Equity in Cancer Health (SPEECH*) a comprehensive partnership between [Temple University/Fox Chase Cancer Center](#) and [Hunter College](#) (TUFCCC/HC) invites students, postdoctoral fellows, and junior faculty from the Pennsylvania-New Jersey-New York City (PNN) Region to submit abstracts for poster presentations at our **1st SPEECH Regional Cancer Health Disparity Conference held at Temple Lewis Katz School of Medicine on May 30th, 2019.**

The purpose of this conference is to promote the advancement of research in cancer health disparities and support the development of outstanding underrepresented minority (URM) and diverse students/trainees who are committed to careers in cancer research and to collaboratively engage the community in enhancing quality and feasibility of these efforts. The conference involves a session opening featuring a Keynote Speaker and SPEECH Investigators, poster presentations, National Cancer Institute (NCI) Career Development Workshop for Cancer Research Funding Opportunities, lunch session, and networking with established investigators conducting cancer research and Program Directors from the Center to Reduce Cancer Health Disparities, NCI.

We are seeking abstracts that highlight and advance the field of cancer health disparities being conducted across the PNN Region. We welcome all areas of research within the **basic, clinical and population-based cancer research fields**. Students (undergraduate, graduate, medical, post-undergraduate), Postdoctoral Fellows, and Junior Faculty are all encouraged to submit their work.

Research areas of priority include (but not limited to):

- Molecular cancer mechanisms (e.g., cellular signaling)
- Genetic approaches in cancer research (e.g., epigenetics, genomics)
- Bioinformatics, biostatistical and epidemiological approaches to address cancer
- Racial and/or immigrant cancer health disparities
- Early detection/screening tools and measures (e.g., biomarkers, population-based screening)
- Novel treatment programs and interventions to treat cancer (e.g., cancer immunotherapy, clinical trials)
- Disparities in cancer clinical trial participation
- Social determinants of health, behavioral and community-based participatory research
- Population-based cancer prevention programs (e.g., health education, social media campaigns)

Abstract Submission Details:

Please submit your abstract of **250 words or less by Monday April 22nd, 2019:**

[ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS](#)

Conference registration: Free! [Register here for the Conference and NCI Career Development Workshop](#)

Awards will be given out to best presenters!

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