



**Orientation Webinar
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Welcome to AAMC CHARGE

Today's Agenda:

- What is AAMC CHARGE?
- History/ Background
- Who's in CHARGE?
- Our Impact
- Updates
- Survey Responses

What is AAMC CHARGE?

A forum for investigators, clinicians, and community partners to improve the design and implementation of research that eliminates health and health care inequities.

Background

- Previously known as ROCChe; rebranding process concluded June 2019
- Our Vision...
 - Fostering real time connections for professional achievement
 - Creating new and innovative opportunities for multidisciplinary health equity scholarship
 - Leveraging expertise to enhance advocacy footprint
 - Promoting health equity research and practice

Who's in CHARGE?



433 Participants



Over 200 unique
institutions/organizations



40+ states represented

Our Impact



Comment letters



Grant applications



Systematic reviews



Special programming (e.g. Call for Research)

Updates

- First ever Health Equity Call for Research concluded. Winners will be announced in early October
- Systematic Review paper on cultural competency, racial concordance, and patient-provider engagement/outcomes
- Virtual Community pilot
 - Subcommittee formation → First up, Maternal mortality/morbidity
- LSL Programming (Health-equity related sessions)
- Potential opportunities for internal teach back/“rounds”

Upcoming Opportunities

NIMHD Call for Manuscripts on Structural Racism/Discrimination



Call for Manuscripts on Structural Racism/Discrimination

NIMHD is sponsoring a special issue of *Ethnicity & Disease*, "Structural Racism and Discrimination: Impact on Minority Health and Health Disparities," and inviting researchers, scientists, physicians, and others to [submit manuscripts](#). Abstracts are due by **September 30, 2019**.

As revealed in a [2017 workshop](#) co-hosted by NIMHD and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Minority Health, there is currently a lack of consensus about how structural racism/discrimination as a construct should be defined, operationalized, and measured in the context of

- (1) health, minority health, immigrant health, and health disparities research; and
- (2) exposures beyond the interpersonal level to include racism/discrimination occurring at higher levels through societal, community, or organizational values, laws, policies, and corporate procedures, practices, and behaviors.

Additionally, there is need for the development, design, testing, and implementation of evidenced-based interventions to reduce or eliminate structural racism/discrimination occurring at higher levels beyond the interpersonal level.

Survey Questions



As a health equity scholar, what is the most significant barrier for your own professional achievement?



Describe two projects/initiatives that AAMC CHARGE might undertake that in your opinion would have the most positive impact on the field of health equity science and scholarship.



In three years, what would you like to see as the most significant achievement of AAMC CHARGE?

Survey Responses

As a health equity scholar, what is the most significant barrier for your own professional achievement?

- *“Finding the right collaborators”*
- *“Time to designate to professional activities beyond teaching”*
- *Connecting with people that share my research interest and collaborating on innovative research.*
- *“Time and ability to collaborate”*

Survey Responses

Describe two projects/initiatives that AAMC CHARGE might undertake that in your opinion would have the most positive impact on the field of health equity science and scholarship.

- *“Convening a forum for thought leadership and innovation regarding methods to achieve greater health equity”*
- *“Engaging the business community by demonstrating a ROI for supporting health equity”*
- *“Demonstration of the importance of primary care for promotion of health equity”*
- *“Focus on the individuals that are underinsured and implicit bias within the health care system”*
- *“Communication hub to encourage, support and share updates on collaborative work”*
- *“Develop more opportunities for health equity science scholarship publications”*

Survey Responses

In three years, what would you like to see as the most significant achievement of AAMC CHARGE?

- *“New research/methods/policies to improve health equity and a pipeline of scholars devoted to this work.”*
- *“Reconfiguration of the healthcare system to center around patient-centered, community-based primary care rather than hospital-based medicine. positioning healthcare within communities would allow for a far greater focus on issues of equity.”*
- *“Measurable changes in health inequities re: cancers, heart disease, HIV”*



Q & A

QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU!



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