

Community Outreach, Engagement, and Equity



QUATERLY NEWSLETTER



PARTNERSHIP SPOTLIGHT



SUN BUJRI

COEE Community Advisory Council Member

Sun Bujri is a member of the DCI Community Advisory Council. She loves being a part of community outreach and engagement research, especially those that benefit immigrant and refugee populations. Sun Bujri is excited to offer insights, and support implementation of impactful projects in the community.

What inspires you in your work?

I am inspired by my community, family, shared experiences of different communities, and ancestors. In response to the call for justice, police accountability, and racism, I addressed the pervasive anti-Black sentiment within Asian communities by initiating the We Gotta Talk monthly virtual series within my community, the Montagnards. I curated presentations and led discussions that centered on identity, Asian American history, and the importance of unlearning and solidarity.

What inspired you to join the DCI CAC?

I was inspired by lack of access to healthcare, history of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color, my family and community's history with cancer to join DCI CAC. I became motivated to join as cancer and heart diseases are the leading causes of death for Southeast Asians in CA which has a potential contributing factor by the use of Agent Orange by the US military in the Vietnam War.

Fun fact about yourself/an interest you have outside of work

I grew up going to thrift stores with my mom as this was all we could afford and continue to be a big thrifter. My sisters and friends love shopping through my closet. I've been practicing yoga for 4 months and it's been awesome!

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FALL 2024 RFA

The DCI is currently accepting applications for the Cancer Research Pilot grants!

Pilot grant focus areas this year are:

- 1) DISPARITIES
- 2) COMMUNITY ENGAGED RESEARCH

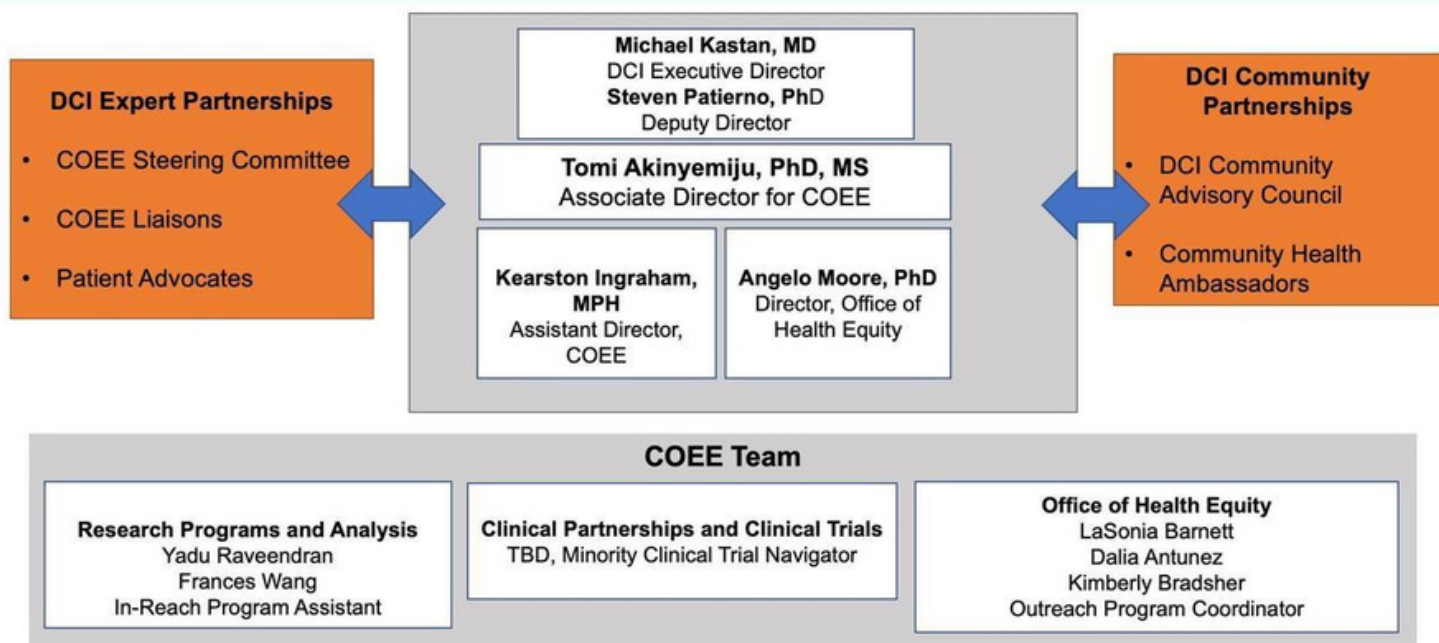
Projects that focus on measuring and eliminating health disparities (Disparities RFA) and reducing the burden of cancer in diverse patients, populations, and communities in the DCI catchment (COEE pilot) area are invited

[Click here](#) to schedule a consultation with the DCI COEE office for assistance in identifying community partners, review of methodology and the DCI CREST dashboard, and community engagement approach.

Due Dates for Fall 2024
Application Deadline: October 2, 2023
Outcome Announced: December 1, 2023
Start Date: January 1, 2024
Progress Report Deadline: February 3, 2025

We are renewing and expanding our commitment to comprehensive outreach, community-facing patient navigation, robust engagement and research to meet the cancer health needs of our community. We are also expanding our commitment to achieving even greater impact by harnessing the talent and passion of all our DCI faculty across all Research Programs, multi-disciplinary Disease Groups, and cross-cutting Centers. See below for updated COEE org chart and please feel free to reach out to us for assistance with any community-impacting program or research questions

COEE Organizational Structure



INTRODUCING...



Angel Oxendine is an intern with DCI and at the NCDHH Division of Child Welfare, under the Regulations and Licensing Section. She graduated from Elizabeth City State University with a BS in Criminal Justice and a BA of Social Work. She is currently a graduate student in the Master of Social Work program at North Carolina Central University. During her free time, she likes to volunteer with the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina and the NC Guardian Ad Litem Program.



Rashad Rahman is a research assistant working on the CLOVER project. He is excited to work with the team and broader community to understand the links between socioeconomic factors and patient outcomes and develop more informed treatment strategies. Rashad is a senior at Duke studying biology and a Benjamin N. Duke scholar. He grew up in Fayetteville, NC and loves to visit home whenever he can.



Madison Barnhill is interning this fall semester with COEE and the Population Health Sciences department to complete her degree in public health at ECU. She has been conducting research for two years now and has worked on a variety of projects all involving health disparities. As her research and knowledge continue to grow, she plans to apply to medical school upon graduating this December and pursue her passion for providing accessible and affordable obstetric and gynecological care for all women.

The DCI is committed to promoting a clinical and research workforce that is educated and mobilized to achieve meaningful impact in reducing the burden of cancer in our catchment area.

To achieve this goal, the DCI COEE program has developed a foundational curriculum to educate all faculty, staff, and trainees on the principles, approaches, and considerations for respectful and impactful community engagement.



INTRODUCTION

Currently available via CITI

- Introduction to community-engaged & community-based participatory research
- Ethical and practical considerations in community-engaged research
- [Questions change everything in community engagement \(TEDx\)](#)

COMMUNICATION

Currently available via LMS

- Communicating Your Science to Everyone Else
- How do we share our research?

Speaker: Karl Bates, Executive Director, Research Communications

CASE STUDY #1

Currently available via LMS

- Advancing your science and impact with patient advocacy

Moderator: Dr. Jenny Freedman

HISTORY

Currently available on LMS

- Duke Hospital and the Durham Community
- A conversation about race and memory



Dr. Jeffrey Baker



Dr. Damon Tweedy

DCI COEE Foundational training Metrics

| DCI Research Program | Complete/Members | Complete % |
|--|------------------|------------|
| Cancer Biology | 74/77 | 96 |
| Cancer Prevention and Control | 80/87 | 92 |
| Cancer Risk, Detection and Interception | 45/50 | 92 |
| Immuno-Oncology | 58/63 | 92 |
| Neuro-Oncology | 39/43 | 91 |
| Precision Cancer Medicine and Investigational Therapeutics | 119/123 | 97 |
| Radiation Oncology | 59/61 | 97 |
| Total Completions | 484 | |



Community Engagement Co-Design

How do we amplify what works in Community Engagement?

Join us in this 3-part series to explore thorny issues, develop strategies, and learn the importance of appreciative inquiry in authentic community engagement



Max Hardy is one of the foremost experts in community engagement co-design and authentic partnerships. He has designed and facilitated deliberative panels in diverse communities for a variety of sensitive topics globally since 1998. His TEDx talk: "Questions Change Everything in Community Engagement" is highly regarded, and included in the COEE Foundational Training Module

Join us via the link below:

<https://duke.zoom.us/j/94778018389>

For more information, please contact DCI COEE via email: dcicoe@dm.duke.edu

**SEPT
14TH
4-5 PM**

Online Webinar

Appreciative Inquiry: What is an expert? What works, and how do we amplify that?

**OCT
19TH
4-6 PM**

Community engagement workshop

Humility in engagement: Advanced skills building for those already in community engagement

**NOV
16TH
4-6 PM**

Co-Design in Community Engagement

Complexity Theory: Framing good questions and methods for engaging

THE CLOVER STUDY

Climate Impact on Lung Cancer Risk Via Exposure to Radon



Help us understand the impact of climate change on radon and prevent radon exposure in NC households by participating in the **CLOVER** Study!

Who is eligible?

- Must be an adult and a North Carolina resident
- Able to understand English and/or Spanish
- Be willing to participate in free radon testing and a short survey

What to expect:

- Complete a short survey
- 7-day household radon test kit
- After tests and survey are received, you will receive a \$10 VISA gift card for each and the radon test results

Want to Learn More about the Study?
Visit our website below or scan the QR
<https://sites.duke.edu/dcicoee/clover/>



SOUTHEASTERN AMERICAN INDIAN CANCER HEALTH EQUITY PARTNERSHIP


Over the last few months, the DCI COEE team has organized native-led talking circles with the Coharie, Haliwa-Saponi, and Lumbee tribes of North Carolina. Our goal is to learn more about these communities, build long-lasting partnerships and learn about unique cancer-related health needs.



L to R: Ms. Vivette Jeffries Logan, Dr. Clare Meernik (DCI), Dr. Laura Flsh (DCI), Dr. Tomi Akinyemiju (DCI), Ms. Tabatha Brewer (Coharie Tribe Administrator), and Tony Locklear at the Harnett Country Coharie Indian Community Center.



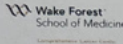


Talking circle around the medicine wheel at the Lumbee Tribal Administration Office in Maxton, NC with community members of the Lumbee tribe.

Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe 

AND

SOUTHEASTERN AMERICAN INDIAN CANCER HEALTH EQUITY PARTNERSHIP (SAICEP)

A COLLABORATION BETWEEN

Cancer Health Needs Talking Circle Agenda

Welcome Chief Dr. Ogletree Richardson

Purpose Yadu Raveendran

Greetings Greg Richardson
Commissioner of Indian Affairs

Invocation/Blessing of Food Rev. Al Cooper
Pastor Trinity Baptist Church, Hollister, NC

Dinner
Catered by Chaddy's Big Hat Restaurant, Littleton, NC

(Talking Circle participants will be selected by presenter)

Talking Circle

Agenda from recent talking circle at Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex in Hollister, NC with community members of the Haliwa-Saponi tribe.

Learn more about SAICEP [HERE!](#)



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November 1
Wednesday

12:00 – 1:00 PM EST/EDT

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This program co-provided with
UNC Health
and UNC Lineberger Cancer Network

Catawba Indian Nation & Lung Cancer Institute: Partners in Healing

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These webinars are a collaboration between



Wake Forest University
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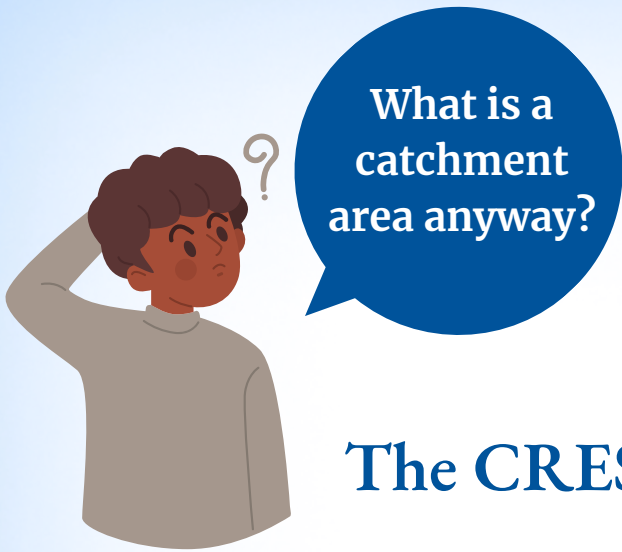
DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Activity Directors: This activity has been planned and implemented under the sole supervision of the Course Director, William A Wood, MD, MPH, in association with the UNC Office of Continuing Professional Development (CPD). The course director and CPD staff have no relevant financial relationships with ineligible companies as defined by the ACCME.
Speaker(s): The presenter has no relevant financial relationships with ineligible companies as defined by the ACCME.

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Want to learn more about the DCI catchment area?

Looking for descriptive cancer data for your grants?

Need to identify communities at high risk for cancer?

The CREST Dashboard can help!

CREST

Center for Research to Reduce Disparities and Enhance Equity in cancer through Systematic and Transformative Change

The CREST Dashboard is a comprehensive, multilevel data warehouse that facilitates evaluation of the cancer burden and disparities in the DCI catchment area.

CREST enables DCI scientists to identify areas in need of targeted efforts to eliminate health disparities, advance cancer health equity and reduce the burden of cancer in our catchment area and beyond.



[Link to CREST Overview Recording](#)

[Request Access](#)

2023 MEN'S HEALTH SCREENING

At the 2023 Men's Health Screening, 207 men received services during the two-day event. It is important to note, there was a 14% increase (N=26) in attendance in 2023 when compared to 2022. The last Men's Health Screening before the COVID-19 pandemic occurred in 2019 with the event returning in 2022.



2023 Men's Health Screening

Encourage the men in your life to get screened!

Saturday, June 3 | 8 a.m. - noon

Lincoln Community Health Center
1301 Fayetteville St
Durham, NC 27707

Sunday, June 4 | noon - 4 p.m.

Duke Primary Care Croasdaile
1821 Hillandale Rd
Durham, NC 27705



FREE
Health Screenings

Prostate cancer is one of the leading causes of death in men. When caught early, it is almost always treatable. Please come and get your FREE onsite health screenings including:

- Prostate cancer screening
- Colon cancer screening
- Blood pressure checks
- Diabetes risk assessments
- Tobacco cessation counseling, including vaping
- Other screenings such as skin cancer screenings and nutrition/healthy eating counseling will be available depending on the location

You are welcome to complete as many screenings as you choose.

No appointment necessary.
For more information,
call 919-684-0409 or visit
DukeCancerInstitute.org/MHS

This program is brought you by Lincoln Community Health Center, Duke Cancer Institute and Duke Primary Care.



Check out <https://dukecancerinstitute.org/OHE/mens-health-screening> for information about the 2024 Men's Health Screening!

Upcoming Events

September 2023

- Lung Cancer Initiative Summit (Greensboro, September 14-15)
- La Fiesta del pueblo 2023 (Raleigh, September 17)
- 2023 CRUSH Colorectal Cancer 5K (Durham, September 30)
- Breast Symposium (Durham, October 7)
- Sisters Network INC Screening Mammogram Event (Greensboro, October 28)

Past Events

June 2023

- Men's Health Screening (Lincoln Community Health Center; June 3 | Duke Primary Care Croasdaile; June 4)
- Survivorship Day (June 7)
- LLS Health Fair (Raleigh, June 10)
- PHEN Prostate Program (June 10)
- Community Health Fair: Let's Talk About Blood Cancer (Raleigh, June 10)
- Fatherhood Conference (Jun 17)

July 2023

- Building a Better You - A community wellness event (Greensboro, July 8)

August 2023

- Prostate and Colon Cancer Awareness (Durham, August 12)
- Western Region Community Day (Cary, August 17)
- Community Outreach Day (Fayetteville, August 19)
- 2023 Health Symposium (Durham, August 26)

***Thank you to everyone who attended and volunteered!
Stay up to date with all our latest events via social media!***



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MaryAnn Black

Distinguished Health Equity Lecture



The late **MaryAnn Black** was a State Representative and Associate Vice President for Community Relations for the Duke University Health System. The Distinguished Health Equity Lecture honors Black for her extraordinary leadership, enduring impact, and powerful advocacy across our community.



Friday, Feb. 9, 2024

3:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Durham Convention Center

301 W. Morgan St., Durham, NC 27701

To register, scan the QR code or visit sites.duke.edu/dcicoee/mab/ or bit.ly/3QVKKp5.



Keynote Speaker

Mary T. Bassett, MD, MPH

Mary T. Bassett, MD, MPH, is director of the François-Xavier Bagnoud (FXB) Center for Health and Human Rights and FXB Professor of the Practice of Health and Human Rights in the department of Social and Behavioral Sciences at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. From December 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022 Dr. Bassett served as New York State’s Health Commissioner. With more than 30 years of experience devoted to promoting health equity and social justice, both in the United States and abroad, Dr. Bassett’s career has spanned academia, government, and not-for-profit work.



AROUND THE CATCHMENT



From L to R: Tony Locklear, Dr. Tomi Akinyemiju (DCI), Yadu Raveendran (DCI), and Ryan Dial (UNC) during the SAICEP study talking circle held on Coharie land in August.



Dr. Tomi Akinyemiju, Associate Director COEE, with Dr. Kunle Odunsi, Executive Director University of Chicago Comprehensive Cancer Center and colleagues where she gave the keynote address for the 2023 Summer Research Symposium.



L to R: Kimberly Bradsher (DCI), Clarence F. Birkhead (Durham County Sheriff), and Dalia Antunez (DCI) at the Community Health Coalition Block Party at the Morreene Rd Community Center - Durham on 19th May 2023



DCI COEE team at the Western Region Community Day "Pathways to Wellness" in Cary, NC on 17th of August 2023



Assistant Director for COEE, Kearston Ingraham, will be presented with the 2023 Student Achievement Award under the Health Administration section by the American Public Health Association (APHA) this upcoming November



Emily Rosario from DCI COEE and Erik Valera from El Centro Hispano attended El Centro Hispano's 31st Anniversary Gala on June 17th. The gala was held to celebrate El Centro Latino 31st Anniversary and present their 2023 scholarship winner.