

Greetings everyone,

The holiday season is upon us and as I reflect on the past year, my heart is full of gratitude. We are so thankful for your continued support of the Research Theme in Health Equity & Translational Social Science (HETSS) at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. Since our official launch back in April 2021, our HETSS community has grown to 500+ members. It has been such a wonderful year thus far and we have several initiatives underway, including this newsletter and our seminar series. We appreciate all of you as we continue to build our community and foster collaborations together. There is much to look forward to in 2022... Stay tuned!

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Thank you and happy holidays!

Onward and upward,  
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## UPCOMING HETSS WEBINAR: \*TOMORROW 12/3/21\*

### Revisiting the “3-ply yarn”:

Where are the sex/ gender/ sexuality concepts now?



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Co-sponsored by UCLA DGSOM Research Theme in Health Equity & Translational Social Science (HETSS), UCLA Center for the Study of Women, Institute for Society & Genetics, and the Hongall Social Medicine Grand Rounds Series

Friday, December 3, 2021  
1:00pm-2:00pm PT  
Semel B8-225 or Zoom

Free event.  
Registration required.

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Scholars have distinguished among sex, gender, and sexuality for decades, but the distinctions have always been contested, and have become more rather than less so in recent years. This talk will explore the changing relationships among these concepts with a special view to how they are used and what they can accomplish, and obscure, in medical research and practice. A Q&A session is to follow. Free event. Registration required.

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[Youtube Playlist](#) for the recordings of our previous webinars.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS RELATED TO HEALTH EQUITY & SOCIAL SCIENCE MEDICINE:

- [12/2/21 at 12pm](#) – NIBBL: [“How Does Structural Racism Impact our Neuropsychology Instrumentation and Normative Studies?”](#) with Kendra Anderson, PhD
- [12/3/21 at 12pm-1pm](#) – Pathology Grand Rounds – EDI Presentation: [“Race in Robbins: Data or Distraction?”](#) with Andrea T. Deyrup, MD, PhD, and Joseph L. Graves, Jr., PhD
- [12/3/21 at 5pm](#) – UCLA MCDB Research Conference [“Race, Colorblindness, and the Academic Disciplines: On the Life Sciences and the Afterlives of Eugenics”](#) with Daniel Martinez-HoSang, PhD
- [12/6/2021 at 7:15am-4:25pm](#) – [“8<sup>th</sup> Annual Los Angeles County DHS Diabetes Day”](#) Hybrid Event at CDU 1731 East 120<sup>th</sup> St. Los Angeles, CA 90059 and Zoom
- [12/6/21 9:30am-5pm ET](#) – NASEM: [“The State of Anti-Black Racism in US Science, Engineering, and Medicine: A Workshop”](#) Day 1
- [12/7/21 12:30pm-5:30pm ET](#) – NASEM: [“The State of Anti-Black Racism in US Science, Engineering, and Medicine: A Workshop”](#) Day 2
- [12/9/21 at 12pm](#) – NIBBL: [“How Does Structural Racism Impact our Neuropsychology Instrumentation and Normative Studies?”](#) with Jesus Barreto Abrams, PhD
- [12/10/21 at 11am-12pm](#) – HIV, CHIPTS, and UCLA AIDS Institute Grand Rounds: [“The Politics of Epidemiologic Risk Data in Global HIV Prevention Science”](#) with Amaya Perez-Brumer, PhD, MSc
- [12/15/21 at 9am](#) – Trial Innovation Network: [“Utilization of Narrative Intervention/ Storytelling for applications in research participation and informed consent”](#) with German Chiriboga, MPH
- [12/16/21 at 12pm](#) – NIBBL: [“How Does Structural Racism Impact our Neuropsychology Instrumentation and Normative Studies?”](#) with Yessica Rodriguez, PhD

Please note: If above hyperlink is an email address, please email the linked contact to inquire about the respective Zoom webinar information and RSVP to the event.

For more information about upcoming related events, please check out our [calendar](#).

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# FUNDING & RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

## UCLA Opportunities

- [RCMAR CHIME & UCLA CTSI Pilot Project Award up to \\$55,000 – Application due by December 6, 2021](#)

## California Grants

- [George H.W. Bush Vamos A Pescar™ Education Fund Application due 12/8/21 11:59pm](#)
  - Purpose: Pursuant to the George H. W. Bush Vamos A Pescar™ Educational Fund and Fish and Game Code Section 1501.5(b), the California Department of Fish and Wildlife has established a competitive grant program to fund projects that supports state and local efforts to educate and engage California's Hispanic communities in metrocentric settings through bilingual, multigenerational, and multigendered programs, classes and fishing and boating activities.
- [California Community Reinvestment Grants Program Application due 12/13/21 11:59pm](#)
  - Purpose: The CalCRG program awards grants to Local Health Departments and qualified Community-based Nonprofit Organizations to support job placement, mental health treatment, substance use disorder treatment, system navigation services, legal services to address barriers to reentry, and linkages to medical care for communities disproportionately affected by past federal and state drug policies, also known as the War on Drugs. Estimated Available Funds: \$38,400,000
- [2021 Urban and Multibenefit Drought Relief Program Application due 12/17/21](#)
  - Purpose: The Urban and Multibenefit Drought Relief Program offers financial assistance to address drought impacts through implementation of projects with multiple benefits. For communities, including Tribes, facing the loss or contamination of their water supplies due to the drought; to address immediate drought impacts on human health and safety; and to protect fish and wildlife resources plus other public benefits, such as ecosystem improvements.
- [2021-2022 Human Trafficking Victim Assistance \(HV\) Program RFP Application due 12/30/21 5pm](#)
  - Purpose: The HV Program intends is to help human trafficking victims (both sex and labor trafficking) recover from the trauma they experienced and assist with reintegration into society through the provision of comprehensive safety and supportive services including, but not limited to, housing assistance, counseling services, and other social services, using a trauma-informed, victim-centered approach.
- [Encampment Resolution Funding Program Application due 12/31/21 11:59pm](#)
  - Purpose: The Encampment Resolution Funding (ERF) Program grants will fund local demonstration projects that provide services to address the immediate crisis of experiencing unsheltered homelessness in encampments, to support people living in encampments onto paths to safe and stable housing and result in sustainable restoration of public spaces to their intended uses while safeguarding the needs of unhoused people seeking shelter.
- [Preservation and Accessibility of California's LGBTQ+ History Application 1/7/22 at 5pm](#)
  - Purpose: Preservation and Accessibility of California's LGBTQ+ History Program (LGBTQ+) is a competitive grant program targeted at Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer archives of all sizes for projects that work to preserve and make publicly accessible collections relevant to the LGBTQ+ movement, culture, experience, and/or history in California.
- [Coastal Stories Application due 1/31/22 5pm](#)
  - Purpose: Coastal Stories intends to make the outdoors more inclusive and welcoming for all Californians by fostering representation of Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) and other historically excluded groups in outdoor spaces – through storytelling.
- [California Violence Intervention and Prevention \(CaVIP\) Grant Program Application due 2/11/22 5pm](#)
  - Purpose: CaVIP grants must be used to support, expand, and replicate evidence-based violence reduction initiatives that seek to interrupt cycles of violence. Strategies eligible for funding could include but are not limited to: hospital-based violence intervention programs, evidence-based street outreach programs, and focused deterrence strategies.

## NIH Opportunities

- [Collaborative Partnership between Research Centers in Minority Institutions \(RCMI\) and Alcohol Research Centers \(U54 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
  - (RFA-AA-21-015); National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism; Application Receipt Date(s): December 15, 2021
- [Mental Health Research Dissertation Grant to Enhance Workforce Diversity \(R36 Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
  - (PAR-21-325); National Institute of Mental Health; Application Receipt Date(s): February 16, 2022.
- [Initiative to Maximize Research Education in Genomics: Diversity Action Plan \(R25\)](#)
  - (PAR-19-380); National Human Genome Research Institute; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research; Application Receipt Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.
- [NIH HEAL Initiative: Preventing Opioid Misuse and Co-Occurring Conditions by Intervening on Social Determinants \(R01 Clinical Trials Optional\)](#)
  - (RFA-DA-22-036); National Institute on Drug Abuse; National Institute on Aging; National Institute of Mental Health; Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research; Office of Disease Prevention; Application Receipt Date(s): March 02, 2022
- [Understanding Place-Based Health Inequalities in Mid-Life \(R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
  - (RFA-AG-23-004); National Institute on Aging; Application Receipt Date(s): March 03, 2022
- [Promoting Reproductive Health for Adolescents and Adults with Disabilities \(R01 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
  - (RFA-HD-23-005); *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; Office of Research on Women's Health; Application Receipt Date(s): March 30, 2022
- [Using Just-in-Time Adaptive Interventions to Optimize Established Adolescent Mental Health Treatments \(R61/R33 Clinical Trial Required\)](#)
  - (RFA-MH-22-150); National Institute of Mental Health; Application Receipt Date: February 22, 2023
- [NCI Mentored Research Scientist Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K01 Clinical Trial Required\)](#)
  - (PAR-21-296); National Cancer Institute; Application Receipt Date(s): November 12, 2024
- [Patient-Clinician Relationship: Improving Health Outcomes in Populations that Experience Health Care Disparities \(R01 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
  - (PAR-22-064); National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities; National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases; National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; Office of Research on Women's Health; Application Receipt Date(s): January 07, 2025
- [NCI Mentored Research Scientist Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K01 Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
  - (PAR-21-295); National Cancer Institute; Application Receipt Date(s): Multiple dates.
- [NCI Mentored Clinical Scientist Research Career Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K08 Clinical Trial Required\)](#)
  - (PAR-21-299); Application Receipt Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.
  - [See also PAR-21-300 \(\(K08 - Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
- [NCI Transition Career Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K22 Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
  - (PAR-21-301); Application Receipt Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.
  - [See also PAR-21-302 \(K22 Clinical Trial Required\)](#)
- [Measures and Methods to Advance Research on Minority Health and Health Disparities-Related Constructs \(R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
  - (PAR-22-072); National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities; National Cancer Institute; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research; National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; National Institute of Mental Health; Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research; Office of Disease Prevention; Application Receipt Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.

## Non-Federal Funding Opportunities

- American College of Gastroenterology:
  - [Health Equity Research Award](#) Deadline 12/3/2021
- American Heart Association:
  - [Strategically-Focused Research Network \(SFRN\) on the Science of Diversity in Clinical Trials \(SDCT\)](#) Deadline 12/7/2021
  - [Research Supplement to Promote Diversity in Science](#) Deadline 2/1/2022
- American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy:
  - [Diversity & Inclusion Research Award](#) Deadline 12/10/2021
  - [Research Awards](#) Deadline 12/10/2021
- Pfizer:
  - [Antimicrobial Stewardship \(AMS\) Programs to Address Health Inequities arising from Socioeconomic Disparities in USA, Europe, Japan, South Korea, Australia, and New Zealand](#) Deadline 12/15/2021
- Gates Foundation:
  - [Global Grand Challenges: Innovations in Eliminating Neglected Tropical Diseases](#) Deadline 1/13/2022
  - [Global Grand Challenges: Digital Health Services for Pregnant Women to Support Antenatal Risk Stratification in Sub-Saharan Africa](#) Deadline 1/13/2022
  - [Global Grand Challenges: Strengthening Data Science Capacity and the Ecosystem: Enabling Data-Centered Public Health Interventions](#) Deadline 1/13/2022
- Klingenstein Fund:
  - [Addressing Access to Care](#) Deadline 1/13/2022
- American Educational Research Association:
  - [Research Grants](#) Deadline 1/25/2022
- National Science Foundation:
  - [Science and Technology Centers \(STC\): Integrative Partnerships](#) Deadline 2/1/2022
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
  - [Evidence for Action – Innovation Research to Advance Racial Equity](#) Deadline Rolling

# HETSS SPOTLIGHT



Dr. Lisa Barkley is the Family Medicine Residency Program Director for Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science (CDU), where she also serves as associate professor of family medicine and chair for the Department of Family Medicine. She is triple board certified in family, adolescent and sports medicine. She is leading the development of a new urban family medicine residency program in south Los Angeles that is in partnership with the Los Angeles agency for health, mental health and public health services.

## DR. LISA BARKLEY

### MEDICINE AS SCIENCE IN A SOCIAL SETTING

"Medicine is a science that is done in a social setting and the two cannot be separated. Separating medicine from the social sciences does not work because understanding the personal experiences of a patient is essential to a physician's work. My role as a physician involved translating health and wellness to the general public, especially since I worked in adolescent sports medicine. Adolescent medicine is a great example of how it is impossible to separate medicine from social sciences because of how the environment plays such a large role in child morbidity and mortality rates. My experiences practicing family medicine allowed me to practice medicine in a social setting with all of my patients and it really made a big difference."

### HEALTH EQUITY IS PATIENT CARE

"When I started medicine, there was less awareness of the term "health equity." As a physician, I simply want to provide the best patient care, and in order to do that, you have to be concerned with health equity. I've drawn from experiences of discrimination and medical mistrust in my clinical practice. My advocacy work with the Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine and clinical experiences in schools and corrections facilities have shown me the stark health inequities faced by adolescents of color and the need for systemic change. As I practiced medicine, I came to realize that the factors that lead people to become sick are actionable at a population level, through policy work. In my time as a medical educator, I became more interested in designing public health programs to reduce health inequities and advocating for better policy."

### IMPROVING EQUITABLE CARE

"Personalized care is key. Everyone is different and deserves full attention. We have to try as providers to set a space and listen well to our patients. We must create equitable situations for patients as healthcare providers. Every person has different challenges, and as providers, we have to listen well to each patient's whole story. A patient's social history contextualizes the patient's medical history. For example, we look at the presence of high-risk behaviors for people, especially for people in marginalized communities, but we should be seeking a full social history across people regardless of their background. As another example, poor health outcomes are not solely due to a patient's personal failures with their health; providers should try to comprehend a patient from a holistic perspective."

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