



VA Palo Alto/Stanford University Research Fellowship Focused on Informal Caregiving, Long-term Care, and Aging in Place.



The Veterans' Health Administration-funded Elizabeth Dole Center of Excellence for Veteran and Caregiver Research is seeking postdoctoral and post-residency fellows for a 2-year research fellowship in health services research focused informal caregiving, home and community-based care, long-term support services, and other aspects of aging in place.

Our Center is a one-of-a-kind partnership of 4 national sites: Palo Alto, CA; Salt Lake City VA, Utah; Miami VA, FL; and South Texas VA in San Antonio, TX. The mission of our center is to ultimately allow Veterans to age in place. We expect to do this through the following:

- 1) understand the unmet community and caregiver needs of Veterans;
- 2) use data science to most effectively match services to Veteran and caregiver groups;
- 3) piloting innovative approaches to improving Veteran and caregiver outcomes;
- 4) applying implementation science to improve the deployment of best practices in home- and community-based care.

The program of study is flexible and accommodates a variety of career goals. The primary focus of the program is to provide research skills needed for a career in VA and/or academic medicine. Fellows will participate in local and national learning opportunities within the VA and have an opportunity to take courses at Stanford.

Eligible fellows will have a doctoral degree psychology, health policy, health services research, health economics, or other health-related fields. Physicians, nurse practitioners and other doctoral degrees in medicine are also eligible. We especially encourage applications from individuals from minority groups, diverse backgrounds, and those who are differently abled. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

This fellowship is concurrently run with the VA Palo Alto/Stanford fellowship program in Health Services Research and Development at the Center for Innovation to Implementation, which seeks to train physicians and postdoctoral scholars who will become leaders in health services research. As such, fellows will have an opportunity to collaborate with national and international leaders in health services research methods including implementation science, cost-effectiveness, community-based research, and technology-enabled interventions, as well as critical content areas of substance use disorders, chronic and serious illness management, and advancing health policy.

Learn more about our Center of Excellence here:

<https://www.hsrp.research.va.gov/centers/dole/default.cfm>

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