



## **National Center on Homelessness among Veterans (NCHAV) Fellowship Track**

### **Purpose:**

The VA National Center on Homelessness among Veterans (NCHAV), in collaboration with the VA Office of Academic Affiliations (OAA), has created focused training experiences for health professionals interested in addressing homelessness and criminal justice involvement. These fellowship experiences seek to train and develop the next generation of researchers, change agents, administrators and practitioners working with Veteran homelessness.

### **Background:**

NCHAV was established in 2009 and codified in legislation in 2016 through Public Law 114-315, Sec. 713 to serve as a resource center for “all research and training activities...with respect to Veteran homelessness.”

In 1978, OAA began the VA Special Fellowships Program, which was renamed the VA Advanced

Fellowship Program in 2007, to contribute to a talented, well trained recruitment pool for VA and to foster an atmosphere of scientific inquiry and excellence within VA.

This fellowship program will integrate robust homeless experiences and training into existing VA Advanced Fellowship programs (see list under participating sites).

### **Who can apply?**

Clinicians or non-clinicians with a doctoral degree (MD, PhD, DNP) or who have completed all requirements toward a doctoral degree from an accredited institution.

### **Benefits:**

Have a formal connection with NCHAV and operational partners and be on the cutting-edge of the latest research, policy and educational developments in Veteran homelessness under the guidance of at least one Center mentor.

Have a cohort of fellows that you interact and collaborate with on Veteran homelessness, including NCHAV funded travel to meet in-person at the annual American Public Health Association Conference.

Have a supplemented curriculum to the core Advanced Fellowship curriculum that includes unique opportunities to learn from experienced researchers, providers, and policy-makers working on Veteran homelessness.

Can lead a project in coordination with NCHAV staff.

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*Research-driven solutions to prevent and end homelessness*

### **Participating Sites:**

Los Angeles, CA. Core program: HSR&D Advanced Fellowship. POC: Debra Saliba, [Debra.saliba@va.gov](mailto:Debra.saliba@va.gov)

Palo Alto, CA. Core program: HSR&D Advanced Fellowship. POC: Andrea Finlay, [Andrea.Finlay@va.gov](mailto:Andrea.Finlay@va.gov)

Dallas, TX. Core program: Interprofessional Addiction Fellowship. POC: Cynthia Foslien-Nash, [Cynthia.doslien-nash@va.gov](mailto:Cynthia.doslien-nash@va.gov)

Bronx, NY. Core program: MIRECC fellowship. POC: Joseph Geraci, [Joseph.geraci@va.gov](mailto:Joseph.geraci@va.gov)

West Haven, CT. Core program: HSR&D Advanced Fellowship. POC: Lori Bastian, [Lori.bastian@va.gov](mailto:Lori.bastian@va.gov)