



## VA PALO ALTO HEALTH CARE SYSTEM & STANFORD CHP/PCOR (CENTER FOR HEALTH POLICY, PRIMARY CARE AND OUTCOMES RESEARCH)

# VA Advanced Fellowship in Health Services Research

Veterans Affairs supported program fostering the development of health services researchers. Focus areas of research include high value mental health care; high value medical, surgical specialty, and palliative/hospice care; and high value care beyond the VA.



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#### **Training Program**

Fellows are offered an opportunity to combine didactic training in health services research with individualized, interdisciplinary research guided by a team of mentors, program faculty, and operational partners. Fellows will acquire foundational training in (1) core health services research methods, (2) implementation sciences and systems redesign, and (3) research in collaboration with operational partners. Methods training may include cost-effectiveness analysis; intervention and outcomes research; technology-enabled interventions; program evaluation; guideline development; secondary database analysis; implementation science; and systems redesign. Fellows will develop an individualized training plan with guidance from a mentoring committee. Fellows receive mentorship in study design and research execution, partnerships with operations leaders and program offices, and career advancement. Fellows have joint VA and Stanford postdoctoral status and access to Stanford academic resources, including the option to obtain a Master's.

#### **Major Research Focus Areas**

(1) *Fostering high value mental health care*, through understanding and improving outcomes for Veterans with mental health conditions, with an emphasis on substance use disorders (SUD), post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), justice-involved Veterans, and Women Veterans, as well as behavioral management of mental health and medical conditions.

(2) Fostering high value medical, surgical specialty, and palliative/hospice care, with emphasis in chronic conditions like heart disease, cancer, complex comorbidities, and geriatric conditions.

(3) *Fostering high value care beyond the VA*, with emphasis on resource allocation, high performance patient-centered care, virtual care, long-term care and caregiving, and strengthening community supports.

For further information about Ci2i and principal investigators: <u>www.ci2i.research.va.gov/</u>

**Fellows work closely with postdocs and investigators across other Ci2i fellowships:** Big Data-Scientist Training Enhancement Program (BD-STEP): <u>herc.research.va.gov/include/page.asp?id=bd-step</u>

The Elizabeth Dole Center of Excellence for Veteran and Caregiver Research Fellowship: <u>hsrd.research.va.gov/centers/dole/</u>

VA National Center on Homelessness among Veterans Fellowship: va.gov/HOMELESS/nchav/research/Fellowship\_Program.asp

### **ADVANCED FELLOWSHIP IN HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH**





#### <u>Eligibility</u>

Applicants must be U.S Citizens who have completed an M.D. and accredited residency or a Ph.D. in a field relevant to health services research (e.g., health economics, psychology, nursing, sociology, health policy, epidemiology). The VA is an equal opportunity employer.

Ci2i values diversity as an important factor in serving the research and training missions of our center. We encourage applications from members of any groups that are historically underrepresented in health services research, academia, and/or medicine. This may include, but is not limited to, the NIH definition of underrepresented groups.

#### **Application Materials Due November 1**

1. Updated Curriculum Vitae (confirming U.S. Citizenship)

2. Personal Statement (2 pages): Applicants should submit a statement of their research goals, objectives, how they can contribute to the objectives of the training program, a few potential mentors, and how the program can contribute to the applicant's professional development.

3. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Statement (up to 1 page): Content may include (but is not limited to) relevant research expertise, opportunities to advance DEI in your field, the impact of your research on DEI issues, and/or relevant personal experiences that have influenced professional goals.

4. Three Letters of Recommendation

#### Interview

Top applicants will be invited for an interview. Decisions will be made February 1.

#### Program Co-Directors

#### For more information or to apply, contact Dr. Trivedi.

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