

"First Bioethics Conference on Cancer Health Disparities Research: *Celebrating Scholars Ethically Working toward Reducing Cancer Health Disparities*"

Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, Ala.

January 18-20, 2012

Conference Goal

The goal of the conference is to celebrate experimental and experiential learning and to provide reflective space. Such a platform is critical for ethical reflection on the work of Minority-Serving Institutions/Cancer Centers Partnerships (MI/CCP) investigators and members, and other faculty members, scientists, university administrators, local, state and federal officials, and members of the research community desirous of staying informed, affecting policy or sharing their processes and results in a scholarly forum. The discussions will direct efforts to address ethical issues raised by cancer health disparities research.

Objectives

In completing this educational activities, it is expected that attendees would be able to:

- . **broaden their understanding of ethical issues specific to cancer health disparities research,**
- . **demonstrate awareness of various stakeholders and perspectives impacting resolution of the ethical issues,**
- . **gain a better understanding of how cancer health disparities research can be ethically conducted to eliminate disparities with due attention to contextual issues, individual interest, and entrenched community values, and**
- . **plan to engage the knowledge and transforming experience gained to eliminate cancer health disparities in home institutions or new environments.**

Who Should Attend?

MI/CCP investigators; cancer health disparity partnership members; human research administrators, IRB members, potential research volunteers, community health advisers; community members; religious, civic and government leaders; university administrators; local, state and federal officials; potential research participants; cancer health advocates; patient navigators; and students.

ALL ATTENDEES MUST REGISTER WHETHER OR NOT YOU WISH TO SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT AND MANUSCRIPT, SO STAY TUNED FOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION.

Call for Abstracts and Manuscripts

The Morehouse School of Medicine/Tuskegee University/University of Alabama at Birmingham Comprehensive Cancer Center Partnership is inviting abstracts and manuscripts submissions for oral and/or poster presentations at this national conference designed for Minority-Serving Institutions/Comprehensive Cancer Center Partnership (MI/CCCP) and other investigators to be held in Tuskegee, Alabama from January 18 - 19, 2012.

Abstracts and Manuscripts addressing ethical issues in these broad areas of your work are being sought:

- Risks for cancer based on age, race, ethnicity, gender, class;
- Social and cultural dimensions of cancer health disparities research;
- Spiritual dimensions of cancer health disparities research;
- Discrimination in cancer health disparities research;
- Capacity for informed consent by the elderly in cancer health disparities research;
- Community consultation in cancer health disparities research;
- Aging and cancer health disparities research;
- Philosophical dimensions of cancer health disparities research;
- Peer-review process in cancer health disparities research;
- Genetic and biologic cancer disparities research
- Biospecimens and cancer health disparities research;
- Recruitment and retention in cancer health disparities research;
- Health Care Reform and cancer health disparities research; and
- Training of physicians and health care professionals in cancer health disparities research.

Abstract and Manuscript Submissions

Each contributed abstract and manuscript must be categorized under one of the topics or areas of interest listed. Abstracts of no more than 250 words must be **submitted by Monday, November 21, 2011**. The abstracts will be reviewed by the Bioethics Group of the MSM/TU/UABCCC Partnership. Those accepted may be approved for oral or poster presentations. By **Thursday, December 1, 2011**, selected presenters will receive an acceptance letter and an invitation to submit the “**camera-ready**” abstract. The deadline for submission of manuscripts, 2,500 to 3,500 words in length, is **Thursday, March 1, 2012**. **Manuscripts must not have been previously submitted to any professional journal.**

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