

## Health Services, Outcomes and Effectiveness Research Training Program

### Full-time mentored research training postdoctoral fellowships supported by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (ARHQ) through T32 Institutional National Research Service Awards (NRSA)

This is a mentored research training program in health services, outcomes, and effectiveness research (**Kenneth Saag, MD, MSc, PD/PI; Mike Mugavero, MD, MHSc, Co-Director**).

The final deadline for postdoctoral applications is **Friday, January 17, 2020 at 5:00 PM CST**. Notification of selection will be in early March 2020. The postdoctoral fellowship will begin in July or August of 2020.

#### Program content areas include but may not be limited to:

- Healthcare efficiency & disparities
- Healthcare quality measurement & improvement
- Patient-centered outcomes research
- Comparative effectiveness research
- Pharmacoepidemiology & patientsafety
- Translating research evidence into practice & policy
- Economic evaluation & decision analytic modeling
- Health informatics

The training program prepares independent investigators to pursue careers in health services and outcomes research focused on translating research evidence into practice. Scholars are also trained in comparative effectiveness research methods for evaluating the benefits and harms of different treatment strategies and interventions on patient outcomes in *real world* settings. Skills development will include exposure to relevant epidemiological, statistical, experimental, and quasi- experimental methodologies, analysis of large data sets, health outcomes assessment, and economic evaluation, all with an emphasis on the practical application of outcomes research methodology.

Our research and training base includes a partnership of UAB interdisciplinary research centers and programs and is primarily drawn from across 7 UAB Schools (Medicine, Public Health, Health Professions, Nursing, Dentistry, Business, and College of Arts and Science), offering a pool of over 30 experienced HSR/CER Mentors. The fellowship offers:

- **Annual NRSA Stipend for Full-Time Multidisciplinary Mentored Research Training**
- **Tuition Support for Didactic Training** - Training for HSR/CER (\$6,178 per year)
- **Short-Term Practicum Experiences** – Portfolio of innovative rotations with internal and off-site experts and organizations
- **Training Related Expenses** – Health insurance, travel stipend, etc. (up to an additional \$8,850 annually)
- **Opportunities to Interact with an Interdisciplinary Group** of peers, mentors, and invited experts during weekly seminars

**ELIGIBILITY:** Candidates must be U.S. citizens, non-citizen nationals, or have permanent residency status. Eligible applicants will have earned a clinical or research doctorate, including PhD, ScD, DrPH, MD, DO, DC, ND, DDS, DMD, DNS, or equivalent doctoral degree. Candidates must be able to demonstrate a commitment to full-time research training. For clinicians, the program may be coordinated with a current residency program or clinical fellowship and will allow for some minimum time allocated to clinical activities that are conducted outside the 40 hours per week required for full-time research training.



**CONTACT:** For questions regarding eligibility, program requirements, the application process, and an application packet, please contact **Jeanne Merchant** ([jsmerchant@uabmc.edu](mailto:jsmerchant@uabmc.edu)) or **Jeff Foster** ([pjfoster@uabmc.edu](mailto:pjfoster@uabmc.edu))