

Health Services, Outcomes and Effectiveness Research Training Program

Full-time mentored research training **pre-doctoral** 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; Emily Levitan, ScD, FAHA, Co-Director**).

The final deadline for pre-doctoral applications is **January 17, 2020**. The pre-doctoral fellowship will begin in July or August of 2020.

Program content areas include but may not be limited to:

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

The training program prepares independent investigators to pursue careers in health services & outcomes research focused on translating research evidence into practice and on comparative effectiveness research methods for evaluating the benefits and harms of different treatment strategies and interventions health conditions 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** (\$24,816) **for Full-Time Multidisciplinary Mentored Research Training**
- **Tuition Support for Didactic Training** - Training for HSR/CER through relevant MSPH, DrPH and PhD programs (\$10,215)
- **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 \$2,500 annually for travel)
- **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 be enrolled in 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.



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