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VA Quality Scholars Fellowship

Advancing the Scholarship of Improving Health Care

Who Should Apply?

- **Physicians (post-residency)**
- **Nurses (pre- or post: DNP or PhD)**
- **Pharmacists (post-doctoral)**

With an interest in:

- ✓ **Quality and safety (hospital/ clinic)**
- ✓ **Improve health care delivery**
- ✓ **Academic hospitalist**
- ✓ **Health services research**



Birmingham VAMC

Two-year curriculum. Mentored projects.

Three VA-based positions/ year. Research/ teaching anywhere.

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Meghan Black, MD (Assistant Fellowship Director)

BVAMC, UAB. FAQ's, program description, learn more, apply: <https://bit.ly/2C8fsVb>

Other VAMC: Atlanta (Emory), Charleston (MUSC), Cleveland (CWRU), Durham (Duke), Minneapolis (UM), Nashville (Vanderbilt), Iowa City (U of Iowa), San Francisco (UCSF). International: U of Toronto.

Coordinating Center: Houston Center for Innovations in Quality, Safety, and Effectiveness (IQuEst).

Not an H1, F1/ OPT opportunity



Birmingham Curriculum

Learning
(10-30%)



QI, IS, HSR
Education

Service
(10-30%)



Clinical
Administration
Teaching

Projects
(50-80%)



QI, IS, HSR
Education

IS: implementation science

QI Core
Fellows

Methods
Analysis

Leadership

Career
Scholarship

Summer Institute / Others

**National Curriculum.
Competencies (10-20%)**

- Teaching and learning
- Improvement methods and analytical skills
- Interprofessional collaboration and team work
- Systems leadership for quality and safety
- Scholarship