

SPECIAL DELIVERY

Newsletter of FIU's Maternal and Child Health Training Program

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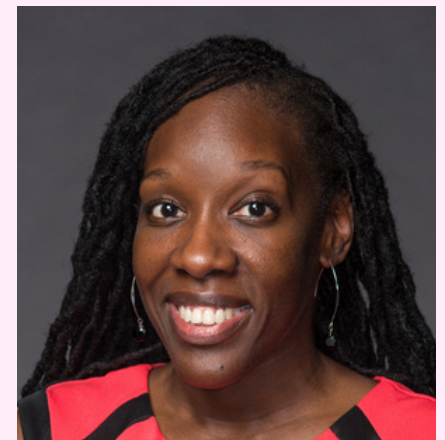
We are currently accepting submissions for our next newsletter! If you'd like to contribute, please e-mail:

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MCH Faculty Transition



Dr. Howard



Dr. Biggs

We are excited to announce a transition within our MCH Public Health faculty at FIU. After dedicated service and significant contributions, Dr. Melissa Howard stepped down as the Director of the Maternal & Child Health program. She will be embarking on a new chapter as the Director of Online Programming and Professional Practice at the University of Georgia in Athens. Her commitment to excellence and passion for public health has enriched the FIU community and inspired countless students. We wish her much success at UGA.

As we bid farewell to Dr. Howard, we also look ahead with enthusiasm to congratulate Clinical Associate Professor, Dr. Rashida Biggs as the new Director of the Maternal & Child Health program here at FIU! Dr. Biggs has been at FIU for more than 10 years as a professor and esteemed public health practitioner. We are honored to have her as our new MCH Program Director and look forward to her great achievements in this role!

Professional Development Opportunities

**HEALTHY
MOMS.
STRONG
BABIES.**



**AWARENESS TO ACTION:
DISMANTLING BIAS IN MATERNAL
AND INFANT HEALTHCARE™**

March of Dimes will be hosting an **Implicit Bias training** that serves to eliminate maternal and infant health care inequities by directly addressing stereotypes and bias within healthcare. This is a learning experience and opportunity to learn how to provide better care for mothers and babies through all stages of maternity care.

October 12, 2023

5:00 PM - 7:30 PM Eastern

Please register in advance for this session at:

https://marchofdimes.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0pdOmoqT8jHNBMQflpqK9nbKur_Q9e7NgP

This session will be facilitated by an experienced March of Dimes Implicit Bias Trainer.

Questions? Please contact: ibttrainer@marchofdimes.org



***Scan here to
register!***

**Save the Date:
Information
registration will be
provided soon**

Mark your calendar for this webinar on **November 1st from 1:00 – 2:00 PM EST**. Harvard and Boston University's Center of Excellence in MCH will explore the implementation, impact, and sustainability of including family behavioral care support into primary care to advance health equity and de-stigmatize mental health. This is a significant topic in light of the COVID-19 pandemic and attention to mental health matters.

Scholarship Opportunities

Dr. Donna Comrie Memorial Scholarship

Aims to support non-traditional students, such as single parents and lifelong learners, with demonstrated experience in or a commitment to working with the African Diaspora and/or who have demonstrated interest in women's rights and issues.

Application details:
<https://fiu.academicworks.com/opportunities/16011>

AWARD AMOUNT: \$500
DEADLINE: September 13, 2023

Stempel Research Award

Award recipients will receive hands-on research experience working alongside a faculty member on a pre-determined topic or project for two semesters in 2024.

Application details:
<https://fiu.academicworks.com/opportunities/16548>

AWARD AMOUNT: \$3,400
DEADLINE: October 29, 2023

It's a Graduate!

We would like to congratulate summer graduate, Kimberly Bello, MCH MPH. Kimberly was also awarded Dean's Excellence for Summer 2023! We are excited to see her next steps in Public Health!

