

HIVMA Clinical Fellowship Program

The HIVMA Clinical Fellowship program is entering its tenth year, and the HIV Medicine Association is proud of the contribution that the program has made to strengthen the HIV workforce in communities most in need of HIV medical providers. We have supported 17 physicians in pursuing careers in HIV medicine, and we look forward to expanding the program as funding allows. For more details on the fellowship, including how to apply, please visit our website www.hivma.org.

Current Fellows



Jessica Bloome, MD, MPH

UCSF School of Medicine at San Francisco General Hospital
San Francisco, CA
Mentor: Susa Coffey, MD

Dr. Bloome earned her medical degree from the State University of New York (SUNY) Downstate College of Medicine in Brooklyn in 2013, after graduating from the SUNY Downstate School of Public Health in 2011. She completed her residency at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) Medical Center and San Francisco General Hospital in June 2016 which included rotating at San Francisco General Hospital's Ward 86 HIV Clinic. Developing an interest in HIV medicine as an avenue to care for many of the most medically and socially complex patients in the community; Dr. Bloome plans to work in urban underserved communities where HIV is highly prevalent and with high-risk populations.



Jennifer J. Chang, MD

UCLA Care Center
Los Angeles, CA
Mentor: Judith Currier, MD, MPH

Dr. Chang earned her medical degree from the State University of New York Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences in Buffalo in 2012 and completed her residency training in family medicine, including an academic chief residency at Kaiser Permanente Los Angeles Medical Center in 2015. She intends to bring a similar dedication to vulnerable populations to her work in community-based clinics at the University of California, Los Angeles. Heartened by the new era of HIV care in the US, Dr. Chang is eager to build on the successes of previous generations of physicians in treating and managing HIV infection.



Kereme Manners, MD

Montefiore Medical Center
Bronx, NY
Mentors: Peter Selwyn, MD, MPH and Alisha Liggett, MD

Dr. Manners earned her medical degree from the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School at Rutgers University in 2013 and completed her residency in family medicine in May 2016 at the Montefiore Medical Center in Bronx, NY. Drawing on her time at Montefiore's Family Health Center, one of her residency program's training sites; Dr. Manners hopes to develop a similar collaborative team-based approach to the care of patients with HIV at another training site, the Williamsbridge Family Practice Center, building on leadership and facilitation skills to help create a multidisciplinary care team.

2015 Fellow



Danielle Tate, MD

University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center
Memphis, TN
Mentor: Luis Gomez, MD

2014 Fellow



Stella Safo, MD, MPH

Montifiore Medical Center
Bronx, NY
Mentor: Peter Selwyn, MD

2013 Fellow



Alisha Liggett, MD

Montifiore Medical Center
Bronx, NY
Mentor: Peter Selwyn, MD

2012 Fellows



Alisson Sombredero, MD

University of California
San Francisco, CA
East Bay AIDS Center in Oakland, CA
Mentors: Monica Gandhi, MD, MPH
Christopher Hall, MD



Natasha Travis, MD

Ponce De Leon Clinic at Grady Memorial
Hospital
Atlanta, GA
Mentors: David Malebranche, MD
Wendy Armstrong, MD

2011 Fellows

Maya Green, MD, MPH

Ruth M. Rothstein CORE Center
Rush University Medical Center

Albert Slezinger, MD

Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center

2010 Fellows

Damon Francis, MD

Alameda County Public Health Dept.

Chavon Onumah, MD, MPH

George Washington University

2009 Fellows

Carolina Abuelo, MD, MSc

Charlestown Health Center

Oni Blackstock, MD

Montefiore Medical Center

2008 Fellows

Damaris Olagundoye, MD

Mathew Walker Comprehensive Health Center

Veronica Ayala-Sims, MD

Virginia Commonwealth University

2007 Fellows

Aima Ahonkhai, MD, MPH

St. Vincent's Medical Center

April Alegria Soto, MD

Kaiser Permanente

Loida Bonney, MD, MPH

Emory University School of Medicine

Jose Tiburcio,

Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center

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