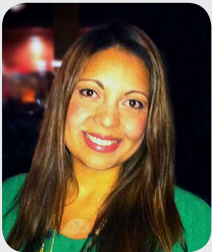


Minority Clinical Fellowship Program

The Minority Clinical Fellowship program is entering its sixth 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 14 African American and Latino physicians in pursuing careers in HIV medicine, and we look forward to expanding the program as funding allows.

Current 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

Dr. Sombredero earned her medical degree from the Universidad de la Sabana School of Medicine in Bogota, Colombia and completed a clinical internship in HIV medicine in Spain. She returned to Colombia and served as a physician in the rural communities of Tumaco and Cali. Dr. Sombredero completed her residency training program at Highland Hospital in Oakland, California. Her fellowship will take place at the University of California in San Francisco and East Bay AIDS Center in Oakland, California.



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

A graduate of Loyola University in Chicago with a degree in biology, Dr. Travis served a term with the Wisconsin HIV Community Planning Network's Statewide Action Planning Group and helped spearhead the creation of the first annual HIV Testing Day event in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She earned her medical degree from Rush University College of Medicine. Her fellowship will take place at Emory University, the Ponce De Leon Clinic at Grady Memorial Hospital in Atlanta.

2011 Fellows



Maya Green, MD, MPH
Rush University Medical Center
Chicago, IL
Mentor: Kimberly Smith, MD, MPH

Dr. Green completed her fellowship at Rush University Medical Center in June 2012. She will continue as an HIV provider at the Ruth M. Rothstein CORE

Center, a clinic for the prevention, care and research of HIV/AIDS.



Albert Slezinger, MD
Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center
Bronx, NY
Mentor: Jose Tiburcio, MD

Dr. Slezinger completed his fellowship at Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center in July 2012. He will remain at Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center as an attending physician and will continue to provide HIV primary care to his current panel.

2010 Fellows



Damon Francis, MD
East Bay AIDS Center
Medical Director, Urban Male Health Initiative
Alameda County Public Health Dept.
Oakland, CA



Chavon Onumah, MD, MPH
George Washington University
Assistant Clinical Professor
Washington, DC

2009 Fellows



Carolina Abuelo, MD, MSc
Charlestown Health Center
Massachusetts General Hospital
Boston, MA



Oni Blackstock, MD
Montefiore Medical Center/Albert Einstein College of Medicine
Division of General Internal Medicine
Assistant Professor
New York, NY

2008 Fellows



Damaris Olagundoye, MD
Mathew Walker
Comprehensive Health Center
Clinical Faculty/Instructor
Nashville, TN



Veronica Ayala-Sims, MD
Virginia Commonwealth University
Ryan White Clinician/Clinical Director
Assistant Professor
Richmond, VA

2007 Fellows



Aima Ahonkhai, MD, MPH
St. Vincent's Medical Center
Hospitalists Department of Medicine
CEPAC
Junior Faculty
Bridgeport, CT



April Alegria Soto, MD
Kaiser Permanente
Provider for Family Medicine, HIV
Medicine and Family Medicine Surgical
Services
Pasadena, CA



Loida Bonney, MD, MPH
Ryan White Clinician
Emory University School of Medicine
Assistant Professor
Atlanta, GA



Jose Tiburcio, MD
Bronx-Lebanon Hospital
Associate Residency Director/Medical
Director Family Wellness Center
Bronx, NY

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Bristol-Myers Squibb 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009

Gilead Sciences Foundation 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012

Abbott Laboratories 2007

Pfizer 2006, 2007, 2009

GlaxoSmithKline 2006

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