



EMERGING LEADER FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY, 2019-2021

Expanding Health Access for Philadelphia's Adolescents and Young Adults



Host Organization:	Youth Health Empowerment Project, Philadelphia FIGHT
Location:	Philadelphia, PA
Dates:	September 2019 – September 2021
Salary:	\$60,000 / year, plus benefits

Stoneleigh Emerging Leader Fellowship

The [Stoneleigh Emerging Leader Fellowship](#) is a two-year, full-time, hands-on position for early career professionals. Fellows work collaboratively with a host organization and the Stoneleigh Foundation to execute a project that advances the missions of these organizations and enhances Fellows' professional skills and leadership development. Fellows are also supported by a cohort of peer Emerging Leaders, who participate in Foundation programming.

The Project: *Expanding Health Access for Philadelphia's Adolescents and Young Adults*

Adolescents and young adults in Philadelphia experience significant barriers in accessing primary, mental, and sexual/reproductive healthcare. This challenge is magnified by high rates of poverty and housing instability and a limited health infrastructure to meet their specific needs. Compared to adults, Philadelphia's adolescents and young adults have lower satisfaction with their healthcare, are more likely to delay medical care, and are more likely to receive emergency room care.

To address these challenges, the Fellow will work with Philadelphia FIGHT's Youth Health Empowerment Project (Y-HEP) Health Center to develop a new model for care that expands health access and improves outcomes for youth ages 13-24 in Philadelphia. Specifically, the Fellow will:

- **Assess the need** for a new model of healthcare delivery for adolescents and young adults in community-based settings.
 - *Conduct focus groups* with adolescents and young adults to better understand their needs and preferences regarding healthcare access and utilization.
 - *Gather survey feedback* from youth accessing care at the Y-HEP Health Center to ascertain their reasons for engagement or disengagement in care.
- **Design the model for the new satellite healthcare clinic** based on this feedback and in close partnership with Philadelphia FIGHT leadership.
 - *Coordinate the development of a cost-neutral model for satellite clinical services*, including plans for patient billing, additional project funding, and public benefits access counseling.
 - *Lead the building of an implementation plan* that serves as a blueprint for the clinic's launch, including how to implement care and ensure continuous quality improvement.

- *Create an outreach plan* to recruit youth to access the satellite site's clinical services.
- **Coordinate the launch of the satellite clinic** and develop a roadmap for future sites.
 - *Engage in the clinic's ongoing operational activities*, including troubleshooting onsite challenges, maintaining partner relationships, and overseeing logistical procedures.
 - *Develop a transition manual* that outlines key facets of the clinic's operations, recommendations for sustainability, and guidelines for replication at future sites.

Candidate Qualifications

Candidates should have earned a master's degree in public health or a related field between 2016 and 2019. The candidate should have significant experience in community health, program implementation and development, and in working with youth and/or youth-serving agencies. Experience with clinical operations, fundraising, and grant writing is preferred but not required.

Application Process

Please submit the following materials to Dr. Elaina Tully (etully@fight.org) by **December 14, 2018**. Please contact Jermel Wallace (jwallace@fight.org) with any questions.

- A resume or CV
- A writing sample
- Two written references preferred (one academic and one professional)
- A cover letter articulating why you would like to participate in the Fellowship, how it will advance your professional goals, why this project interests you, and what prior experience and training you bring that prepares you to lead this Fellowship project

Candidates chosen for an interview will be contacted directly by Y-HEP Health Center. One final candidate will be recommended to and interviewed by the Stoneleigh Foundation in January 2019. In March, Stoneleigh staff will present recommended candidates and projects to its Board of Directors.

About Y-HEP Health Center at Philadelphia FIGHT

The [Y-HEP Health Center](#) at Philadelphia FIGHT offers an inclusive, trauma-informed, gender-affirming approach to healthcare for adolescents and young adults (ages 13-24). The Center provides access to comprehensive primary care, sexual and reproductive health services, integrated behavioral health, PrEP for HIV prevention, and other relevant social services that aim to address the social determinants of health. The Center's mission is to improve health outcomes and expand access to healthcare for all youth, regardless of insurance status or ability to pay.