

EMERGING LEADER FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY, 2021-2023

Using Data to Strengthen Hospital-Based Violence Intervention



Host Organization: The Health Alliance for Violence Intervention

Location: Philadelphia, PA

Dates: September 2021 – September 2023

Salary: \$60,000 / year, plus benefits

Stoneleigh Emerging Leader Fellowship

The <u>Stoneleigh Emerging Leader Fellowship</u> 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: Using Data to Strengthen Hospital-Based Violence Intervention

Philadelphia is seeing alarming growth in gun violence, with victims of gun violence increasing significantly over the last year. Hospital-based violence intervention programs can interrupt this trend by addressing the psychological and physical wounds of trauma. Since the Affordable Care Act's Medicaid expansion, Medicaid has become the largest payer of health care costs for violent injury in the United States. Examining Medicaid data from the delivery of these promising programs can help us better understand and provide care to patients and stop repeat violent reinjury.

The Fellow will work with the <u>Health Alliance for Violence Intervention</u> (HAVI) to conduct a groundbreaking analysis of violently injured patients in Philadelphia. The findings from this retrospective analysis will provide hospitals and policymakers with evidence-based knowledge and incentives to invest in violence prevention efforts. Specifically, the Fellow will:

• Analyze Medicaid claims data to better understand:

- The total healthcare utilization costs for violently injured patients, including inpatient/outpatient care, substance use treatment, and mental health services; and
- The impact of hospital-based violence intervention programs on health care and other social service sector utilization.

To support this data analysis, the Fellow will engage state Medicaid agencies to secure patient data for analysis in coordination with <u>Healing Hurt People</u>, one of the HAVI's hospital-based violence intervention member programs in Philadelphia.

• Inform policymakers of the effects of hospital-based violence intervention programs on Pennsylvania's Medicaid program. This includes direct work with policy partners and through the communication of findings via policy briefs and peer-reviewed publications.

Candidate Qualifications

Candidates should have completed a PhD in public health or a related field between 2018 and 2021 (or be on track to complete it in the next year). Candidates should have a background in health services research, public health, and/or injury prevention. Experience working with large data sets (preferably insurance claims data) and research involving underserved populations. Experience with developing policy briefs is preferred but not required.

We strongly encourage a diverse pool of candidates to apply, including women, people of color, people who identify as LGBTQ, people with disabilities, and people who have lived experience of housing insecurity, and/or system involvement. We invite candidates to include in their cover letters a statement about how their unique backgrounds and experiences might contribute to their perspectives on and execution of the Fellowship Project.

Application Process

Please submit the following materials <u>at this link</u> by May 1, 2021. Please contact Kyle Fischer (<u>kylef@thehavi.org</u>) with any questions.

- A resume or CV
- Two writing samples
 - One formal, in the format of a peer reviewed research article
 - One Informal, such as a white paper or op ed promoting public health or communicating scientific findings to a broader audience
- Two written references
- 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 the Health Alliance for Violence Intervention. One final candidate will be recommended to and interviewed by the Stoneleigh Foundation in Mid-May 2021. In June, Stoneleigh staff will present recommended candidates and projects to its Board of Directors.

About the Health Alliance for Violence Intervention

The <u>Health Alliance for Violence Intervention</u> (HAVI) builds and connects violence intervention programs and promotes equity for victims of violence globally. HAVI supports an interdisciplinary community of violence intervention specialists, doctors, health administrators, and researchers, providing resources to enhance new and existing network Hospital-Based Violence Intervention Programs.

The HAVI is a fiscally sponsored entity of Health Resource in Action, Inc. (HRiA). Health Resources in Action, Inc. (HRiA) is a nonprofit public health and medical research funding organization based in Boston, Massachusetts with a mission to help people live healthier lives and build healthier communities through prevention, health promotion, policy, and research. HRiA works with a diverse group of clients across the country to address some of the most critical public health issues using innovative and evidence-based approaches to improve population health. Our clients include the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, state and local health departments, hospitals, and private/corporate philanthropic entities.