Program Objectives

By the completion of the Health Policy Leadership Fellowship Program, fellows will be able to:

1. Critically analyze issues, programs, and policies which impact health and health care, particularly as they relate to health disparities and advancing health equity.

2. Inform the development of health policies to reduce disparities in health and advance health equity.

3. Assume leadership roles that support the development of programs and policies that reduce health disparities and advance health equity.

4. Work effectively with disadvantaged communities to develop sustainable programs and organizations that support the reduction of health disparities and advancement of health equity.

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Mission
The mission of the Satcher Health Leadership Institute is to develop a diverse group of exceptional health leaders, advance and support comprehensive health system strategies, and actively promote policies and practices that will reduce and ultimately eliminate disparities in health.

Health Policy Leadership Fellowship Program
The Health Policy Leadership Fellowship is a ten-month multi-disciplinary training program designed to provide postdoctoral health professionals with the specific knowledge, skills, and experiences needed to prepare them for leadership roles in promoting and implementing policies and practices to reduce health disparities and advance health equity.

Through our partnership with Georgia State University’s Center for Leadership in Disability, some candidates will also be considered for a concurrent unique training program. The Georgia Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disorders (GaLEND) interdisciplinary training program prepares health leaders to serve children with developmental disorders and their families. Health Policy/GaLEND fellows will divide their time, fulfilling the requirements of both programs.

Program Description Curriculum
The Health Policy Leadership Fellowship Program’s major focus areas include leadership, health policy, and health equity with concentrations in both behavioral and sexual health. The comprehensive curriculum includes formal and informal didactics, legislative shadowing and learning experiences, health policy journal club, and leadership forums. In addition, fellows may have practice, teaching, and/or research responsibilities with supporting academic departments, and will complete community-based practicum experiences and a health policy research project.

Leadership Experiences
Fellows will participate in learning and leadership experiences with government leaders, community leaders, and decision makers at the local, state, and national levels, including shadowing Georgia State Legislators during the legislative session and a one week policy experience in Washington, D.C.

Leadership Forums
Leadership forums will be held monthly to provide opportunities to meet and learn about the challenges of leadership from a pool of experts. Leaders from government, business, health care, public health, academic institutions, and community organizations will be invited to serve as subject experts and to lead discussions around identified leadership issues.

Health Policy Journal Club
Health Policy Journal club will be held monthly to discuss current articles and research related to health policy and health disparities.

Community-Based Practicum Experiences
Practicum experiences are designed as opportunities for fellows to be involved with both governmental and community-based organizations to apply their knowledge and understanding of informing and analyzing policies and to engage with leaders in advocacy and government.

Health Policy Research Project
Fellows will complete a health policy research project focused on addressing disparities in health and submit it for publication.