



January 2014

January 27: Diabetes – Facing the Future

OHSU's Latinos Unidos Organization is hosting a talk by [Andrew Ahmann, M.D.](#), director of the OHSU Harold Schnitzer Diabetes Health Center. Latinos are [twice as likely](#) to develop diabetes, when compared to non-Hispanic whites. A confluence of factors contributes to the prevalence of diabetes in the Latino community. Dr. Ahmann's talk will be held from 11:30am-12:30pm on Monday, Jan. 27 at the OHSU Hospital 8th Floor Auditorium. To learn more about the lecture, or to volunteer with the Latinos Unidos Organization, contact co-chairs [Gabriel Flores](#) or [Daisy Alva](#).



January 29: Employee Career Fair

The Career Workplace Enhancement Center is hosting an [OHSU Employee Career Fair](#) on Wednesday, Jan. 29, from 10am to 2pm in the BICC Gallery. This drop-in event is for current employees to explore the diverse careers, work environments and workplace opportunities at OHSU. Attend workshops, visit with department exhibitors and learn the skills you need to advance your career.

January 30: Welcome the Lunar New Year

Help us welcome the Year of the Horse at a [Lunar New Year Potluck](#) in the BICC Gallery. The potluck starts at 11:30am on Thursday, Jan. 30. A guest from Wisdom Arts Academy will play traditional Chinese music to kick off the event. Please bring a dish or dessert to share; Asian cuisine/theme is preferred, but not required. The event will also be an opportunity to meet folks who are interested in starting up an Asian Pacific Islander employee resource group at OHSU. For more information, contact [Maileen Hamto](#), Diversity Communications Manager, at 503 494-5657.

February 7: Applications Due for Summer Internship Programs

The Center for Diversity & Inclusion (CDI) offers opportunities for future health care professionals from diverse backgrounds. Through focused and intentional outreach to students from underserved and under-represented backgrounds, CDI is seeking highly-qualified applicants for summer research internships at OHSU. Applications are due on Friday, February 7.

For high school students: The [Ted R. Lilley Cancer Continuing Umbrella of Research Education](#) (CURE) Project is supported by CDI and the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute. The program, intended for high school students, provides hands-on research experience and science exposure to increase participation of historically underserved and disadvantaged students in biomedical research and health-related fields.

For college students: The [Summer Equity Research Program](#) offers a paid internship opportunity for undergraduate students receive career mentoring and shadowing opportunities from OHSU faculty mentors from the Schools of Medicine, Nursing, Dentistry and Graduate Studies. Students selected for the program receive a stipend for working with research faculty in a laboratory and/or clinical setting.

February 12: "I, Too, Am America"— Focus on Black History



Alisha Moreland-Capuia, M.D., will be the featured speaker at the Black History Month lecture titled "[I, Too, Am America](#)," scheduled from 11:45am-1pm on Wednesday, Feb. 12 at the BICC Gallery. Dr. Moreland-Capuia will discuss the concept of inclusion in America's history inspired by the poetic justice of pivotal Harlem Renaissance writer, Langston Hughes. The event is co-sponsored by the African American Employee Resource Group and the Center for Diversity and Inclusion. Dr. Moreland-Capuia, a licensed and board-certified psychiatrist in the state of Oregon, is completing a fellowship in addiction medicine at OHSU. She developed and implemented "Healing Hurt People Portland," a trauma-informed, hospital-based, and community- focused violence prevention program designed to heal young males of color. For more information, contact cdi@ohsu.edu.

February 21: Health and Science Career Conference



Join the Center for Diversity & Inclusion (CDI) for a full-day exposition of health and science academic programs at the annual Health and Science Career Conference, to be held from 8:30am to 5pm on Friday, February 21. Featured will be academic programs in the schools of Dentistry, Medicine, and Nursing and the College of Pharmacy. Breakout sessions will focus on the Physician Assistant program, public health, hospital administration, and other career paths. Students will visit OHSU laboratory and clinical facilities at staff-guided tours. Staff and faculty members from various research disciplines and academic

units will deliver presentations on academic and research opportunities at OHSU. The conference is free of charge; breakfast and lunch will be provided. Seating is limited, so sign up today. [read more](#)

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Damien Fair, PA-C, Ph.D., was among the 102 scientists and engineers who



were given the [Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers](#) for 2013. Fair's research focuses on understanding and mapping the developing human

brain. Dr. Fair is currently writing a National Institutes of Health grant to develop a program at OHSU aimed at recruiting and retaining under-represented minority graduate and postdocs in neuroscience. Dr. Fair is looking for faculty to serve as "life coaches" or mentors. If you're able to help, [email Dr. Fair](#) to learn more about the opportunity.

Leslie Garcia, M.P.A., Assistant Chief Diversity Officer, Assistant Vice Provost



and Director of the Center for Diversity & Inclusion, was recognized with the Golden Rose Award for her exemplary work in advancing and advocating for

positive, lasting change at OHSU. Read more about [Leslie](#) and other [Golden Rose award winners](#).

Robert Vieira, Ph.D., Vice Provost Emeritus, received the prestigious Scott Goodnight Award for Outstanding Performance as a Dean by the



National Association of Student Personnel Administrators. He has been a strong and effective advocate for students and faculty during his

time at OHSU. Dr. Vieira becomes the first OHSU administrator to be honored with the NASPA award. [read more](#)

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