Stanford CERC

Design, Innovation, and Clinical Entrepreneurship (DICE) Fellowship

2024-25

HEALTHCARE TOPICS

High Value Care
Healthcare Delivery Design
Implementation Science
Entrepreneurship and Leadership

https://med.stanford.edu/cerc/education/Fellowship.html
Stanford University’s Clinical Excellence Research Center (CERC) healthcare Design, Innovation and Clinical Entrepreneurship (DICE) fellowship provides an opportunity to gain knowledge, skills, and experience in value-based health care leadership and delivery innovation.

The CERC Design Fellowship trains the next generation of leaders in US healthcare. Our highly talented early-career Fellows develop a lifelong passion for providing clinically excellent care at a lower cost. Since 2011, over 50 fellows in this 11-month program have designed care models that have thoughtfully advanced healthcare delivery and design. We seek early-career aspiring innovators from multidisciplinary backgrounds – medicine, nursing, social sciences, behavioral and management sciences, and engineering – who have the demonstrated potential and drive to become leaders and entrepreneurs in the design and delivery of higher value healthcare. **In partnership with Stanford Nurse Alumnae and Stanford Healthcare, we are especially interested in receiving applications from early-career postdoctoral Nurse Scientists to join our 2024-25 cohort.**

**Fellowship Year**

Working in multi-disciplinary teams, Fellows design new care models for a selected health condition associated with substantial disability and health spending. The design goal is an innovative health care delivery model built to lower population-wide health spending while improving quality and experience of care. Throughout the year, Fellows go through a disciplined process based in human-centered design methodology to create these care models.

The process includes a methodical review of the literature, observations and interviews with patients and providers at health systems identified as vanguards on the value frontier, the study of processes and systems in other industries and fields, exposure to use of cutting-edge technologies to support care innovation, and rapid iteration design cycles with the input of a panel of expert advisors. Fellows will also receive education and mentoring related to the business side of healthcare innovation to best prepare them for disseminating higher value care, such as presenting to leaders of health systems, venture capital, and health plans.
Publications

Fellows receive mentorship around writing for high visibility mediums and often publish their findings from their design work during the fellowship.

CERC is directed by Arnold Milstein, MD, MPH, Professor of Medicine and national leader in the acceleration of clinical service innovations that improve the societal value of health care. The fellowship is directed by Terry Platchek, MD, Clinical Professor of Pediatrics and Medicine with additional leadership from Nirav R. Shah, MD, MPH, Senior Scholar at CERC and Stephanie Peters, PsyD who are experienced leaders in healthcare performance improvement, innovation, and medical education. Additional faculty and mentors are drawn primarily from Stanford’s schools of Medicine, Engineering, and Business and from a collaborating health economic research center at Harvard Medical School. Distinguished national guest faculty and visiting scholars also participate in the training and ongoing mentorship of fellows.

Fellows will complete an 11-month program that begins in August 2024. Fellows are expected to devote a minimum of 80% of their time to in-person fellowship activities during their fellowship period. Admissions are on a rolling basis; candidates are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

The Office of Postdoctoral affairs minimum annual funding rates can be found at the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs funding web page. The actual minimum funding will be announced in Spring 2024.

Postdoctoral Qualifications:

- Candidate has a strong interest in improving the health of populations, the experience of healthcare and the per capita costs of healthcare delivery.
- Candidate demonstrates determination to become a leader in advancing high value care that is communicated in their written personal statement.
- Candidate has the desire to work in a multidisciplinary and collaborative group of exceptional peers.
- Candidate has completed all requirements for their doctoral degree (received their Ph.D. within the last three years or their M.D. within the last six years).
- Candidate has experience contributing to peer-reviewed publications.
- Candidate has prior clinical or other relevant experience.
- Candidate does not have more than 51 months of previous research experience.

Apply

For further information and to apply, please contact Heather Cushnie at cercinquiry@stanford.edu. Applicants, please include your CV and a cover letter explaining your interest. For additional information, please visit https://cerc.stanford.edu/