



OHSU State of Diversity

Join us from 12-2pm on [Thursday, March 14](#) as we celebrate accomplishments in creating a community of inclusion, and renewed commitment to develop strategic and integrated approaches to advancing diversity and inclusion at OHSU.

Speakers include OHSU Board Chair Charles Wilhoite; OHSU President Dr. Joe Robertson, M.D., M.B.A.; Dr. Norwood Knight, Richardson, M.D., M.A., M.B.A., OHSU Chief Diversity Officer, Senior Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer; Leslie Garcia, M.P.A., Assistant Chief Diversity Officer and Director, Center for Diversity & Inclusion (CDI); and Michael Tom, J.D., Director, OHSU Office of Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity.



Stay after the presentations for a resource fair featuring diverse programs and services. The State of Diversity event will be held at the Vey Conference Center, located on the 11th floor of Doernbecher Children's Hospital. A sign language interpreter will be available. If you need accommodation to attend the event, contact CDI at 503 494-5657 or cdi@ohsu.edu.

Coming Up

March 15: Working with Asian Patients

A student-led, interactive and patient-centered [cultural health workshop](#).

March 16: Free Health Screenings

[Free health screenings](#) by OHSU students: 10am to 2pm at Asian Health & Services Center.

March 17: Free Health Screenings

OHSU students will [provide first aid](#), medical, dental & eye care consults: 9am to 4pm at O'Bryant Square.

March 18: Caring for Transgender Youth

[Best practices](#) in caring for the emerging needs of children, adolescents and youth who are transgender.

March 20: LGBT Live Webinars

[Learn how to relate comfortably](#), knowledgeably and sensitively to LGBT patients to provide optimal care.

March 21: OHSU Pride Social Hour

4-7pm at Three Degrees, 1510 SW Harbor Way. For more info, email pride@ohsu.edu.

March 22: Application Deadline for Summer Equity Program

[Seeking college students](#) for laboratory or clinical internships at OHSU

March 27: OHSU Pride Meeting

Help [plan upcoming events](#) and initiatives for OHSU Pride, the resource group for LGBTQ staff, students and allies.

March 28: International Employee Resource Group

Meet OHSU staff from [all over the world](#).



Welcome Adrienne Thompson

The Center for Diversity & Inclusion (CDI) proudly welcomes Dr. Adrienne Thompson, OHSU's Diversity Manager for Faculty Recruitment and Retention. In her role, she will be responsible for assisting the Schools of Medicine, Nursing, Dentistry, and the Research Mission to increase the diversity outreach of our faculty ranks. Her responsibilities will include supporting search committees, providing expertise on academic diversity, training, and strategies for diversity recruitment. Dr. Thompson joins us from California State University, Sacramento, where she has served in various capacities for almost 20 years. [Read more](#)



Diversity & Inclusion Awards

The Diversity and Inclusion Awards recognize outstanding contributions of diverse students, faculty, staff, alumni and community members to creativity, innovation, quality patient care, educational excellence and outstanding service. Nominations are due March 22. [learn more](#)



Diversity News

CDI presents the first edition of [Diversity News](#), a newsletter for diversity and inclusion initiatives, resources and programs across all OHSU missions. Our goal is to highlight the great work being done to advance inclusion in our OHSU community. [Open the PDF](#)

Resource Group for Persons with Disabilities

Interested in helping start an [Employee Resource Group](#) for people with disabilities? Seeking employees and students who have a desire to form a resource group to address the social, personal and professional interests of individuals with disabilities. Persons with disabilities and their allies welcome. Join the Center for Diversity & Inclusion next month for a welcoming event. For more information or to get involved, please contact cdi@ohsu.edu.

Community Partnerships to Serve Disadvantaged Oregonians

The School of Nursing, in partnership with OHSU's School of Medicine and Global Health Center, has created a new project designed to improve health outcomes for disadvantaged Oregonians. The Interprofessional Care Access Network (I-CAN) project, funded by a three-year Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) grant, will expand partnerships between OHSU, neighborhood clinics and community health agencies statewide to design a more coordinated approach to addressing community health concerns. Read about I-CAN in [Diversity News](#) and in School of Nursing's [Connections newsletter](#).

School of Medicine Report Highlights Diversity Efforts

The [School of Medicine's annual end-of-year report](#) for fiscal year 2012 is now available. Compiled by the School of Medicine Dean's office, the report underscores how all four missions – education, research, clinical care and outreach – are interwoven while also delineating how each area is advancing on strategic goals. The report highlights key partnerships championed by the School of Medicine's Dean's Office with CDI and other departments and units to further diversity and inclusion outcomes, including:

- Offering extensive academic advising for underrepresented and disadvantaged students
- Developing a [diversity-focused action plan](#) submitted to the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) to enhance diversity efforts
- Hosting Cultural Competency Lectures to bring diverse faculty and researchers to OHSU
- Providing opportunities for M.D. minority students to obtain professional development through diversity-focused conferences

School of Dentistry Names Diversity Committee Chair



The School of Dentistry's Diversity Committee, initiated by Interim Dean Gary Chiodo, D.M.D. '78, F.A.C.D., has appointed a chairperson. [Jay Anderson](#), D.M.D., M.H.S.A., director of the Russell Street Dental Clinic, has agreed to lead the committee in exploring ways to boost diversity within the School of Dentistry student body and faculty. A priority for the Diversity Committee is to identify funding sources to boost diversity and inclusion initiatives, especially resources for prospective students from underrepresented and economically disadvantaged backgrounds. [read more](#)

Research Week Scholarships

A small pool of scholarship money is available for OHSU students who would like to present a poster at [Research Week](#) but who don't have department support for poster printing expenses. Awards are contingent upon poster being accepted by Research Week programming committee. If selected, you must commit to presenting a poster at OHSU Research Week, which will take place May 20-24 in the OHSU Old Library. Contact research@ohsu.edu or read more on [Research News](#).

April 2: International ERG Social
5:30pm at [SoHo Asian Bistro](#) in South Waterfront

April 3: OHSU Vendor Fair Connect
with diverse small businesses, 3-6pm at Center for Health & Healing.
More info: email [Rossanna Bosch](mailto:Rossanna.Bosch)

April 5: CURE Application Deadline
High school students [work full-time in a cancer lab](#) with a Knight Cancer Institute mentor.

April 6: Western Regional International Health Conference
Wide range of [topics in global health](#), from genetics to human rights.

April 6: State of Cultural Competency
[Advocating](#) for health equity in Oregon

April 13: 125 Lecture Series
[Steven Chu](#), Ph.D., Nobel Prize Winner, and United States Secretary of Energy

April 19: Cancer Screenings Knight Cancer Institute offers free screenings for head & neck cancers, 7am to 3:30pm at Center for Health & Healing. Email [Alena Lam](mailto:Alena.Lam).

Connect With Us

Diversity Digest is distributed every month. We are always looking for events and announcements that highlight diversity and Inclusion efforts in the OHSU community. [Email us](#) with story ideas and submissions, and invite your friends to [subscribe](#)

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