

WHAT'S NEW IN THE CP RTP?

2014 Spring Research Experience in Cancer Prevention

8 Students Joined CP RTP for our 1st installment of the **Spring Research Experience**. Through our NCI-funded R25E "Cancer Prevention Education: Student Research Experiences" grant (R25E CA056452), we were able to create this program to bring in students for a 15-week short-term research experience during the Spring semester. These students include undergraduates and graduate students who are enrolled in local degree-granting institutions.

Upcoming Events

- The **Spring Research Exposition** will take place on **Friday, April 25th** at Noon in CPB 8th Floor, Rooms 5 and 6. Each Spring trainee will give a 90-second Elevator Speech about the research project as well as formally presenting a poster. There will be a reception and poster session that follows the Elevator Speeches, which will start at 12:10pm. We encourage all CP RTP Spring Research Experience trainee mentors, research team and department staff; as well as family members to attend. [Download the Spring Research Exposition pdf flyer.](#)
- The **Summer Research Experience** call for applications closed at midnight on **February 28th**. Over 300 undergraduate, graduate and health professional students started applications, of which 141 were complete. Summer Research Experience awardees will be notified of acceptance in mid-March. This 10-week research experience will begin on Tuesday, June 3rd and conclude on Friday, August 8th with the The Elevator Speech Competition. The competition will be open to all [MD Anderson Summer Research Experience](#) participants. Workshops and Rehearsals will be held on various dates during the summer. Additional details will be posted on this website soon.
- The Trainee Research Day: Elevator Speech Competition will take place on Wednesday, June 18, 2014 at 4:15pm in CPB 8 Rooms 1 - 8 [Read more...](#)

Trainee Accolades

- **Demetrice "Dee" Jordan** (R25E Summer Research Experience Trainee, 2010 & 2012) was recently offered the University Distinguished Fellowship by The Graduate School at Michigan State University, which recognizes academic achievement, research goals, demonstrated leadership potential and contribution to a diverse educational community.

- **Melinda Yates** (R25T Postdoctoral Fellow, 2010-2012) accepted an Assistant Professor position within the Department of Gynecologic Oncology and Reproductive Medicine here at MD Anderson Cancer Center.

Congratulations to all of our past and present CP RTP Fellows!

Past Events

6th Annual DCPPS Leading Mentors and Outstanding Trainees in Cancer Prevention Awards

The follow are the recipients of the Division of Cancer Prevention and Population Sciences sixth annual awards in excellence for training and mentorship in cancer prevention. Congratulations to the mentors and trainees on their noteworthy accomplishments.

- Our **2013 Leading Mentors in Cancer Prevention** are **Dr. Scott B. Cantor**, Professor, Health Services Research and **Dr. Jennifer Irvin Vidrine**, Associate Professor, Health Disparities Research.
- The **2013 Predoctoral Outstanding Trainee in Cancer Prevention** is **Carmen Galvan, BA**, Behavioral Science, mentored by Dr. Susan K. Peterson.
- The **2013 Postdoctoral Outstanding Trainee in Cancer Prevention** is **Dr. Diana Stewart**, Health Disparities Research, mentored by Dr. Jennifer Irvin Vidrine.

DCPPS Trainee Forum

The DCPPS Trainee Forum, hosted by the Cancer Prevention Research Training Program, took place on **Friday, February 14, 2014**, from **Noon to 1:30pm** in **Dan L. Duncan Building, CPB 8th Floor, Rooms 5 and 6**. This trainee forum featured Tracy Costello, Program Manager of the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs, who discussed Individual Development Plans (IDP) and more. We had a large turnout of over 40 divisional trainees.