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Faculty Highlight

Dr. Ivor Braden Horn is the Medical Director of the Center for Diversity and Health Equity at Seattle Children's Hospital, and a professor in the department of Pediatrics at the University of Washington School of Medicine. In addition to practicing as a community-based primary care pediatrician, Dr. Horn is an NIH funded investigator whose research interests focus on health care communications and child health disparities. She is a leading thinker on how social media and mobile health (mHealth) technology can be used to impact child health disparities. Dr. Horn is a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics, and the Academic Pediatric Association, serving in leadership positions regionally as well as nationally.
Although “millennials” have received attention in the popular media in recent years, young adults are too rarely treated as a distinct population in policy, programs, and research. Dr. Leslie Walker, UW professor of pediatrics and chief of the division of adolescent medicine at Seattle Children’s was on the committee that produced the recently released Institute of Medicine (IOM) and National Research Council (NRC) report, “Investing the Health and Well-Being of Young Adults”.

Young adults today face a changed world, with more opportunities but also less latitude for failure than existed in previous generations. This group is also surprisingly unhealthy and shows a worse health profile than both adolescents and those in their late twenties and thirties. The report offers federal, state, and local policy makers and program leaders, as well as employers, nonprofit organizations, and other community partners guidance in developing and enhancing policies and programs to improve young adults’ health, safety, and well-being.

The report says that young adulthood—ages approximately 18-26—is a critical period of development and recommends that young adults be viewed as a separate subpopulation in policy and research.

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We are pleased to invite nominations for the UW School of Medicine 2015 Award for Outstanding Mentorship of Minority Faculty in Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. The award highlights the achievements of senior faculty in mentoring under-represented faculty, and is supported through the Office of the Dean, Office of Clinical Affairs, the Center for Equity Diversity and Inclusion (CEDI) and the Committee on Minority Faculty Advancement (CMFA). The Award also seeks to recognize those who are proactive in creating the next generation of faculty mentors. Nominees need not be a member of an under-represented group in medicine. To begin the process, we ask for a one-page letter nominating a senior faculty member, (Professor or Associate Professor), within any clinical or basic science department within the School of Medicine. Both faculty and fellows are invited to write letters of nomination. Following review of the submitted nomination letters, the selection committee may ask for further information on a selected number of candidates. The deadline for nomination submission is January 31, 2015. Please submit nominations to CEDI program manager, Nora Coronado, ncorona@uw.edu.