

# REACH

Recognizing and  
Eliminating  
disparities in  
Addiction through  
Culturally-informed  
Healthcare



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### Training

The program provides a 1-Week Intensive course for scholars to learn about the unique health needs and experiences of racial and ethnic minority patients who use drugs. Monthly webinars provide scholars with up-to-date tools & clinical skills.



### Scholarship

All Scholars complete a year-long project to address health disparities experienced in their community.

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### Mentorship

Each scholar is matched with a mentor who provides career guidance and a local mentor oversees execution of the scholarly project.



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### Funding

Fellowship funding is available up to \$104,000. In addition, the program provides travel, accommodations and per diem for the 1-Week Intensive as well as attendance to 1 Addiction conference.





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REACH is a 5-year initiative funded by SAMHSA - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration - with a two-fold mission:

1. Increase the overall number of racial/ethnic URM addiction specialists in Addiction Psychiatry and Addiction Medicine in the workforce
2. Increase the number of addiction specialists adequately trained to work with racial/ethnic under-represented minority (URM) patients with substance use disorders (SUDs).

REACH teaches Scholars about key structures that create and perpetuate health disparities for racial and ethnic minorities who use drugs.

This program uniquely takes advantage of the close collaboration between Addiction Psychiatry and Addiction Medicine programs at Yale.





## Training

Training takes place during the **1-Week Intensive**:

- All scholars attend in-person in New Haven
- Diverse learning/teaching styles: workshops, panel discussions, lectures, community engagement.
- Topics include structural competency, criminalization of SUD, Advocacy & Comorbidities of commonly used substances.

Continued learning through **monthly webinars**.

Scholars attend **1 conference** in Addiction Medicine or Addiction Psychiatry.

## Mentorship

Each scholar is matched with a **Professional Mentor**, for career guidance.

Remote meetings 4 times over the year.

Scholars also connect with a **Local Mentor** at their home institutions, for project support.

## Scholarship

All scholars complete a year-long project.

Projects range in style: from literature review, community-engagement initiative, quality improvement at a specific cite, to traditional research.

**Fellows** submit a **Scholarly Project Proposal** when they apply.

Project oversight provided by the REACH Advisory Board.



## Funding

Travel, accommodations, and per diem to attend the **1-Week Intensive** provided.

Trainee Scholars: **\$1,500** to attend an addiction conference.

Fellow Scholars: **\$1,200** to attend an addiction conference, and up to **\$104,000** for their fellowship position.



**REACH aims to teach, educate and train the future of addiction specialists to take care of racial and ethnic underrepresented minority (URM) patients in a culturally responsive way, which does not perpetuate health care disparities in addiction!**



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## Apply

Medical students, Resident, Fellows and Allied Health Professional students from URM backgrounds are eligible to apply.

To learn more about the program and the application process, please visit:

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