

Nominate an outstanding scientist for the Beti Thompson Cancer Health Equity Research Award

The Fred Hutch/University of Washington Cancer Consortium (the Consortium) is proud to announce the opportunity to recognize an *outstanding scientist from the Consortium* who has made significant contributions to cancer health equity research and the scientific understanding of the etiology, detection, diagnosis, treatment or prevention of cancers disproportionately affecting underserved and marginalized communities. The candidate should have a published body of work in health equity, an ongoing collaboration with disparate communities, and/or a history of working with populations in the pursuit of health equity.

This award is named for Dr. Beti Thompson, a community-based participatory research practitioner at Fred Hutch, who has devoted her research career to helping underserved populations by working with community partners and stakeholders to develop culturally relevant interventions that have addressed public health concerns brought forth by the community. Dr. Thompson has been an inspiration and role model for many working towards social justice for medically underserved and disadvantaged populations. Since 2018, this yearly award is given to a scientist of the Fred Hutch/University of Washington Cancer Consortium who strives for inclusion to achieve the vision of a world of equity where all members benefit from the resources that are available in our society.

For the purpose of this award:

- **Public health** is concerned with protecting the safety and improving the health of a community through the promotion of healthy lifestyles, research for disease and injury prevention, and detection and control of infectious diseases.
- **Social justice** refers to challenging injustices to improve public health and well-being through work that leads to the reduction, and ultimately elimination, of health disparities.
- **Health disparities** refer to the higher burden of disease experienced by different populations based on their race, ethnicity, immigrant status, disability, sex or gender, sexual orientation, geography, income, or level of education, compared to the general population.

To nominate a scientist, you must complete the online nomination form and submit a nomination letter that provides evidence and examples about the nominee's contributions to health equity research as follows:

1. State in your own words why you are nominating this individual for this award.
2. Summarize one to three internally or externally funded projects the nominee has led that have addressed or currently addresses health disparities.
3. List one to five publications the nominee has published in the field of health disparities/health equity.
4. Describe the type of engagement the nominee uses when engaging communities in their research.
5. Describe any mentorship of trainees, faculty, or leaders from community organizations that the nominee has participated or currently participates in.
6. If applicable, list any prior recognition the nominee has received for their health disparities research.
7. Any other comments you would like to share about the nominee that were not captured in the prior sections.

Nominees must be members of the Fred Hutch/UW Cancer Consortium, which includes the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, University of Washington, Seattle Children's Hospital, and the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance (Consortium membership can be verified here: <http://www.cancerconsortium.org/en/membership.html>).

Nomination materials should be assembled by the nominator and submitted as a single PDF document. Nominations can be submitted online at <https://redcap.link/2022ThompsonAwards> and must be received by 11:59 PM PST on Wednesday, April 20, 2022.

Submissions will be evaluated by a sub-committee convened by the Fred Hutch/University of Washington Cancer Consortium's Office of Community Outreach and Engagement.

The award will be presented at the Pathways to Equity Symposium on Thursday, May 19, 2022. Award recipients will receive a \$250 honorarium.

Questions? Please email us: endisparities@fredhutch.org.