The goals of the CHD are:
1) Develop an integrated research agenda focused on genomic, environmental, physiological, and social determinants of health; 2) Expand community partnerships; 3) Create pipeline programs and training opportunities in health disparities.

CONGRATULATIONS to:
Dr. Joseph Lee (HEP) appointed interim Director for School of Social Work
Dr. Alice Richman named interim Associate Dean for Research for the College of Health and Human Performance
For a full list of CHD affiliate faculty, please visit Administration | Center for Health Disparities | ECU

16th Annual Jean Mills Symposium. The ECU Department of Public Health, Center for Health Disparities, Department of Psychiatry, and the West Greenville Health Council sponsored the 16th Annual Jean Mills Symposium. For a live recording visit: https://ecu.webex.com/webapp-lg/sites/ecu/recording.jsp?appback=dd019173c0d24d68777fc7w94b68335
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The Center for Health Disparities extends its gratitude and appreciation to Dr. Ronny Bell for his service as CHD Co/Associate Director since 2016. We wish Dr. Bell continued success as he embarks on the next chapter of his career as Director of Cancer Health Equity at the Wake Forest Comprehensive Cancer Center. Congratulations on your new position and you will be missed greatly!

Noteworthy CHD Accomplishments
Recent Grants & Awards
- Keith Keene, Michael Brewer (Biology), and colleagues at the University of Virginia School of Medicine were awarded a 4-year $2.3 Million National Institutes of Health NICHD R01, “Using Integrative Omics as Biomarkers and Diagnostic Tools for SIDS” (R01 HD101581-01), to comprehensively evaluate genetic, epigenetic, and metabolomic profiles as clinical diagnostic tools and novel biomarkers for Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS).
- The CHD serves as the administrative home for a $1.2 Million CARES ACT Funding proposal (PIs: Maria Clay and Greg Kearney) focused on COVID-19 geographical hotspots and Vaccine Distribution.
- CHD Researchers Molly Jacobs, Charles Ellis, Keith Keene receive $10,000 award from Bristol Myers Squibb to study “Racial Disparities in Stroke Outcomes”. The goal of this proposal is to examine the impact of social networks on stroke outcomes in African American and White stroke survivors residing in the eastern NC stroke belt.
- Daniel Dickerson initiates the CHD Undergraduate Fellowship. Ono Abuhlimen, EC Scholar and Early Assurance student, has been named the first CHD Undergraduate Fellow.
- Keith Keene was awarded the American Stroke Association 2020 Stroke Progress and Innovation Award ($3rd Prize Winner).
- Keith Keene was selected as a member of the ECU Fiscal Sustainability Coordinating Committee (FSCC).

Recent Publications