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**DIVERSITY SEMINAR SERIES**

**Wednesday, October 18, 2017 / 12:30 – 1:30pm**

**Northeastern Room (1-9525/1-9535 combined)**

**Oral Health Disparities and Access to Dental Care**

***Presented by:***

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*Oral health disparities are profound in the United States. Despite improvements in some oral health status indicators, the burden of disease is not evenly distributed across all segments of societies. Disparities have been observed in oral health outcomes by gender, race or ethnicity, education, income, disability, geographic location, and sexual orientation. Social and economic factors can contribute to these differences. Improving access to oral health care is a critical and necessary step to improving oral health outcomes and in reducing disparities.*

***At the conclusion of the session, the participant will be able to:***

* **Expand the knowledge about disparities in oral health**
* **Explain the trends in oral health disparities locally and nationally**
* **Learn about the social and economic factors that contribute to oral health disparities**
* **Understand how improving access to dental care can help in reducing these disparities**

All faculty, fellows, residents, students and staff are welcome!

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