CFAR Hosted Webinar and UR Panel Discussion

Events:
1 – Harvard CFAR is holding a webinar titled **Getting to Zero in the Black Community in the US: Preliminary Findings from the National Survey on HIV in the Black Community (NSHBC)**. Thursday, December 15, 2016 from 3:00 – 4:30 PM. Webinar is viewable via internet and will be broadcast in the University of Rochester School of Nursing (SON) Auditorium (1W304)

2 – **UR CFAR** is hosting a panel discussion after the webinar that will include UR faculty and community leaders on Thursday, December 15, 2016 from 4:30 – 5:00 PM in the School of Nursing Auditorium (1W304). Panelists include:

- LaRon Nelson, Ph.D., R.N., assistant professor and the Dean’s Endowed Fellow in Health Disparities at the School of Nursing
- Natalie Leblanc, R.N., M.P.H., Ph.D., postdoctoral fellow - Associate HIV Prevention Science at the School of Nursing
- Reverend Weldon Thomas, senior pastor, New Bethel Christian Methodist Episcopal Church
- Naimah Sierra, Vice President, Community Services Division, Action for a Better Community

**Please note** - this UR panel discussion is only available in-person at SON. It will not be broadcast.

Background:
After many months of careful strategic planning, the National Survey on HIV in the Black Community was crafted, developed and implemented. The goal of the NSHBC was to develop and administer a survey focused on the cultural, psychosocial, and structural factors that are driving the HIV epidemic amongst Black individuals in the United States. By focusing solely and comprehensively on Black individuals this survey allowed for a more nuanced understanding of the root causes of HIV within our target population. The new knowledge that will be created will better explain persistent disparities in the HIV epidemic in the US and directly inform interventions and policy change.

**Harvard Webinar Discussion topics:**
- Review data from the survey
- Discuss plans for the first few papers
- Next steps

**Harvard Webinar Speakers**
Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, Harvard University
Dr. Laura Bogart, RAND Corporation
Dr. Alecia Mc Gregor, Tufts University

Register now at this registration link through Harvard to join the webinar only independently on Thursday, December 15, 2016 at 3:00 – 4:30 PM ET. Harvard Registration link: [https://cfar.webex.com/cfar/onstage/g.php?MTID=ed974d8756380b6e7be92c93014d53a73](https://cfar.webex.com/cfar/onstage/g.php?MTID=ed974d8756380b6e7be92c93014d53a73)

For those who would like to view this at the UR School of Nursing Auditorium and require a parking pass, please RSVP to Laura Enders (Laura.Enders@urmc.rochester.edu) to ensure enough passes are available as well as to obtain information regarding where to park.

For more information, visit the UR CFAR events page at [https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/center-for-aids-research/events.aspx](https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/center-for-aids-research/events.aspx)