Letter from the Editor

Happy New Year! This past quarter, diversity and inclusiveness have been particularly top of mind. I hope you had the opportunity to attend “Gender Rules,” in which we had conversations about gender, access, and equality across sectors. Of particular note, was the recognition by Provost Ben Polak that “an excellent faculty is a diverse faculty” and President Salovey’s commitment that “no one at Yale should be mistreated, bullied, harassed or denied professional opportunities they deserve.” There has now been a Deputy Provost for Faculty Development and Diversity appointed (Richard Bribiescas), and the report of the University wide task force on gender and diversity is available online. In the School of Medicine, in particular, there has been recent attention paid to diversity and inclusiveness, with Dean Alpern holding a number of town halls to discuss issues.

In 2015, we wish you health and happiness, and an even stronger culture of diversity and inclusiveness.

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Clinical Corner

YNHHS Recognized (again) as a Leader in LGBT Healthcare
I am thrilled that YNHHS has continued to maintain its status as a Leader in LGBT Healthcare.
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2014 Diversity in the Physician Workforce Facts and Figures
Want data on the current status of the U.S. physician workforce, its geographic distribution, and how we can cultivate more diversity? Check out these resources from the AAMC here:
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Education Corner
Sexual Misconduct
Response at Yale
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State of Women in Academic Medicine
Check out this report from the AAMC:
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Take note of this figure from the report:

How does Yale stack up in terms of diversity of medical student enrollment?
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Yale Invited to Participate in Multi-Institutional Forum!
We are delighted to be asked to participate in a forum put on by PolicyLink and the University of South Florida College of Public Health, entitled “Coming together to advance health equity: Catalyzing a movement across institutions” in Tampa Bay, Florida, February 19-20. I’ll update you on the outcome of that forum in the next issue of Kaleidoscope!

Research Corner

START@Yale Student Addresses LGBT Issues on National Stage
Congratulations to Amber Anders, a first year medical student, who focused on LGBT issues in healthcare for her START@Yale project. She presented her work both at ASCO Quality and at the Minority Health and Health Disparities Grantees Conference. Also, congratulations to Marcella Nunez-Smith, who was among the faculty at the conference.
Abstract Deadlines

Xavier University of Louisiana College of Pharmacy’s Center for Minority Health and Health Disparities, Research and Education will host its Eighth Health Disparities Conference entitled From Cataloging Health Disparities to Creating Health Equity: Effective Models to Equalize Outcomes on March 12-14, 2015 in New Orleans, Louisiana. Abstract deadline is January 30.

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Don’t forget that the ASCO Abstract Deadline is also coming up February 3, and one of the topic categories being solicited is Disparities. Please consider submitting your work! Learn More >>