



Looking for a comprehensive research training program?

YES for CURE

(Young Empowered Scientists for ContinUed Research Engagement)

The YES for CURE Program is a **two and a half year** training initiative for highly motivated high school and undergraduate students interested in pursuing a career in scientific research. Through engagement in mentored summer research projects, participation in an advanced scientific curriculum during the academic year, and year-round professional skills training, students will acquire scientific knowledge and technical skills, and increase their understanding of how to conduct biomedical research. This initiative is funded through an R25 grant from the National Cancer Institute (NCI CA221738).

****** Application Deadline: November 22, 2021 ******

Program Features:

- Extensive program orientation, scientific skills training, and professional development
- Two summers of mentored cancer research experiences at Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center
- Experience in composing an abstract and delivering an oral or poster presentation of your research
- Networking with students in other research programs and with research scientists
- Journal club meetings focused on understanding scientific articles
- Mentoring and curriculum development experience with middle school students in Boston Public Schools
- Opportunity to present research at local and/or national conferences
- Summer stipends

Program Launch: February 14, 2022

Eligibility

- High school sophomore or junior or a college freshman or sophomore
- Reside or attend school in Massachusetts
- US citizen or permanent resident
- At least 16 years old by June 13, 2022
- Meet *one* of the following criteria:
 - Be from a racial or ethnic group considered underrepresented in the sciences*
 - Be a first-generation college student
 - Be from an economically disadvantaged background
- Show interest in pursuing a biomedical science or health-related career
- **Be able to commit to TWO AND A HALF YEARS of program participation**

*Blacks, Hispanics, Native Americans/Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders.

Application

- Applications are available at <http://www.dfhcc.harvard.edu/YesforCURE>

About DF/HCC and the Initiative to Eliminate Cancer Disparities (IECD)

Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center (DF/HCC) is the largest comprehensive cancer center in the world, bringing together the cancer research efforts of seven renowned, Harvard-affiliated institutions: Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Children’s Hospital Boston, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Harvard Medical School, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, and Massachusetts General Hospital. DF/HCC consists of more than 1,100 researchers with a singular goal — to find new and innovative ways to combat cancer. The YES for CURE Program is administered by the Initiative to Eliminate Cancer Disparities (IECD). The IECD was created in 2001 to provide a centralized and coordinated structure for addressing the complexities of cancer disparities, including disparities in access to research training opportunities – it was among the nation’s first integrated, inter-institutional, multi-pronged initiatives to address these concerns.