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Welcome to the November Communities of Practice Newsletter

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*“Take advantage of every opportunity to practice your communication skills so that when important occasions arise, you will have the gift, the style, the sharpness, the clarity, and the emotions to affect other people.”*  
 - Jim Rohn

CoP Director Welcome

Welcome to the November 2018 Communities of Practice Newsletter. November has been an exciting month at the National Center for Medical Education, Development and Research. Research is at the core of the Communities of Practice at the National Center for Medical Education, Development and Research.

Please visit our website [www.ncmedr.org](http://www.ncmedr.org) to view our virtual calendar and sign up for webinars and other educational opportunities. The success of our Communities of Practice happens because of active member engagement. We thank you for staying connected with us via our newsletter, social media, webinars, weekly meetings, and on campus events. Our commitment to transforming medical education for vulnerable populations is an ongoing process and we embrace this journey each day thanks to you.

This year progresses our goal continues to include the enhancement of communication among our established communities of practice that will promote the widespread enhancement of a high quality, primary care workforce and produce better health outcomes for LGBT, homeless and migrant worker populations. With your support, this is possible. Thank you for staying connected with us. We look forward to working with you all throughout 2018.

Sincerely,

Dr. Katherine Y. Brown, Director, Communities of Practice



# NCMEDR Faculty of the Month Highlight



Meet Katherine Brown, a woman who knows the value of hard work.

A firm believer in the phrase “*anything worth doing is worth doing well,*” Katherine proves that success doesn’t come easily, but is earned with compassion, dedication and perseverance.

### Inspiration

Her awards include 2016 induction into the YWCA Academy for Women of Achievement, 2015 recipient of an Athena International Award, and 2014 recipient of the Vanderbilt University Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Award.

### Dedication

As an educator with Learn CPR America, Katherine is not just changing lives; she is saving them all over the country by bringing life-saving CPR education to underserved communities. Additionally, she is founder of the Roberta Baines Wheeler Pulmonary Hypertension Awareness Group, named after her late mother. Aligned with Katherine’s ultimate goal of making a difference, the group works to raise public awareness of pulmonary hypertension, to support and empower PH patients, and to provide essential health education to communities.

### Aspiration

During her life she has demonstrated ongoing leadership; in college she was homecoming queen and founding member of her college radio station, wrote for the college newspaper, and served as a mentor to teenage mothers. During her 20s, Katherine’s passion for education led her to become a college professor. She earned her doctoral degree by age 30.

### Advocacy

Katherine exemplifies this definition of a role model through her extensive commitment to empowering her community. A nationally recognized expert in health disparities and curriculum development, she helps implement the Dr. Katherine Y. Brown Leadership Academy to mentor young ladies in high school on civic and social responsibilities. Her past experience includes leadership positions with the American Heart Association, Junior League of Nashville, and Kiwanis International (Music City Kiwanis Club Charter Member & Founding President, Division 18 Lt. Governor, Zeller Fellow, and Centennial Award.).

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Engaging Faculty, Staff, and Students through Social Media and Data Sharing  
National Library of Medicine  
Environmental Health Information Partnership (EnHIP) Webinar  
November 27, 2018

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### Why is social media important to minority-serving academic institution faculty and staff?

#### Benefits

- Know what others doing or not doing
- Build a community
- Develop your social media CV
- Control on Brand
- Faster than traditional news
- Immediate response from a broader audience
- Share thoughts, ideas, and interests

#### Connection

- Thought Leaders
- Researchers
- Students
- Medical Institutions
- Conference / workshops teams know what you are doing.
- Engage with the media.
- Professionals among multiple industries



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### Benefits of Social Media: Data Sharing, and Decision-Making

- Knowledge Sharing
- Stay connected
- Share mutual messages
- Reduced Time/Cost
- Constant Knowledge generation
- Dialogue between stakeholders and content experts
- Connect with a diverse audience nationwide



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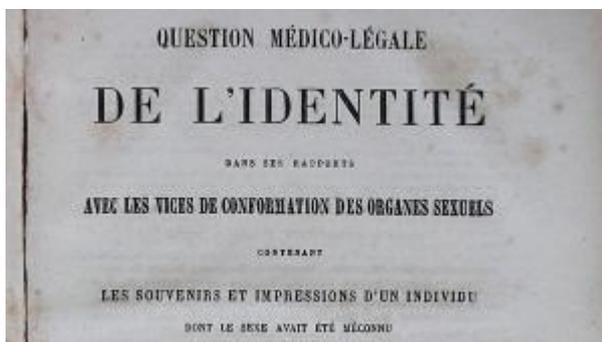
These are slide examples from Dr. Brown’s presentation on Engaging Faculty, Staff, and Students through Social Media.

## November Health Holidays and Days of Observance

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### Intersex Day of Solidarity

Intersex Day of Solidarity, also known as Intersex Day of Remembrance, takes place on **November 8**. The Day marks the birthday of Herculine Barbin, a French intersex person whose memoirs were later published by the philosopher Michel Foucault, along with contemporary texts and a later fictionalized account.



*Cover of the book by Ambroise Tardieu that first published part of Herculine Barbin's memoirs*

In *Starry, Starry Night, the short life of Herculine Barbin*, Leslie Jaye writes that what little we know of Herculine Barbin has all but obscured the person known variously as Herculine, Alexina and Abel, during her short life.

The event appears to have first been held on 8 November 2005, as Intersex Solidarity Day. Joëlle-Circé Laramée, the then Canadian Spokeswoman for Organisation Intersex International, issued a call for all persons interested in intersex human rights to commemorate the day.

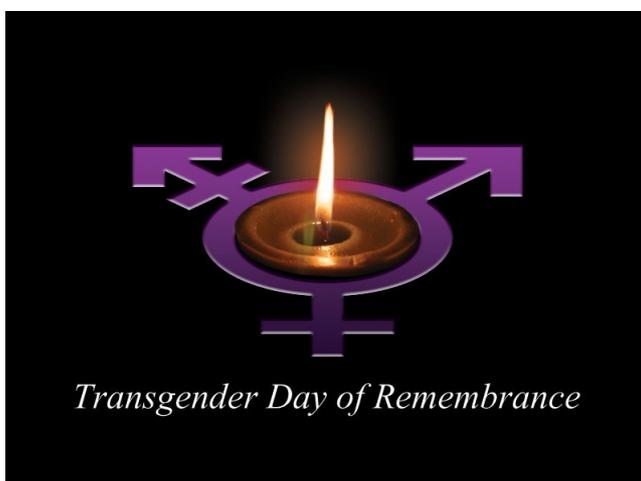


### Transgender Day of Remembrance

The Transgender Day of Remembrance is an annual observance on Nov. 20 that honors the memory of those whose lives were lost in acts of anti-transgender violence. TDOR was started by transgender advocate Gwendolyn Ann Smith as a vigil to honor the memory of Rita Hester, a transgender woman who was killed in 1998.

Though Hester was not the first transgender person to be a victim of transphobia and violence, her death became the catalyst for the launch of TDOR in San Francisco on the one-year anniversary of her death. During the week of Nov. 12 through 19, individuals and organizations around the country participate in Transgender Awareness Week to help raise the visibility of transgender and gender non-conforming people and address the issues these communities face.

There are a variety of activities and events in Michigan to memorialize those who have been murdered because of hate, to support the transgender community and to help raise awareness about the continued violence facing transgender people.



*Transgender Day of Remembrance*

## MEET THE TEAM

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# Upcoming Events

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## December Events

**12/15**- Christmas Goes Pink: Breast Cancer Awareness Summit

**12/17** - Research Roundtable Webinar Conference

**12/18** - NCIBH and Dr. Randi Sokol present "Group based Opioid Treatment (GBOT) in Primary Care: The Nuts and Bolts"

## January Events

**1/17** - BHW Rural Health Peer Learning Webinar: Health Professional Preceptors and Supervisors: Strategies for Your Toughest Challenges

**1/22** - PCMH Presentation @ Meharry Medical College School of Dentistry

**1/28** - Webinar: Cultural Competency in Medical Education, Curriculum Transformation for Vulnerable Populations

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## Share your story

**We want to hear from you. Have you received an award? Will you be presenting at a conference? Are you hosting a conference? Please e-mail: Katherine Brown [Kbrown@mmc.edu](mailto:Kbrown@mmc.edu). The deadline for each newsletter is the 1st of each month.**

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## Can you name one of the National Center for Medical Education, Development and Research goals?

To conduct system-level research of evidence-based interventions for vulnerable populations to inform primary care training.

For more information visit: [www.ncmedr.org](http://www.ncmedr.org)

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## Let's Stay Connected!

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[#communitiesofpractice](#) [#NCMEDR\\_Meharry](#)



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*About the National Center for Medical Education,  
Development and Research (NCMEDR)*

*Meharry Medical College was recently funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to establish a new academic administrative unit under grant number UH1HP30348. The new center is an academic unit (AU) housed in the Department of Family and Community Medicine at Meharry Medical College through a cooperative agreement with HRSA to evaluate the evidence-base for primary care interventions targeting vulnerable populations to transform primary care training in medical education and clinical practice in Tennessee and within the United States. The goal of the center is to transform primary care training and clinical practice in the United States through curriculum transformation in primary care.*

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## **Mission**

To use a systems-level research framework to identify and evaluate primary care interventions targeting vulnerable populations in order to be effective in transforming primary care training and clinical practice to enhance models of care for vulnerable populations.

## **Vision**

To enhance primary care training for health care professionals in improving the quality of health for vulnerable populations.

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